

NEW TEST ANNOUNCEMENT REFERRAL

NOTIFICATION DATE: October 4, 2013 **EFFECTIVE DATE:** November 12, 2013

VENOM HONEY BEE IGG Test ID: FHOBG

EXPLANATION: The following new orderable, referred to Viracor-IBT Laboratories, will be available November 12, 2013. This test will replace Test ID ZW69, referral lab code 402901P.

REFERRAL LAB CODE: 402901P

METHODOLOGY: Phadia ImmunoCAP

REFERENCE VALUES:

>3.5 mcg/mL

Venom IgG Reference Values: 1.0 - 3.5 mcg/mL Low venom IgG indicating a significant reaction risk. 3.5 - 6.0 mcg/mL Moderate level of venom IgG that may be associated from serious sting reactions (J.Clin.Immun.6:172, 1983) > 6.0 mcg/mL Elevated venom IgG usually associated with protection from serious sting reactions (J.Clin.Immun.6:172, 1983) The interpretative guidelines have been adapted from Golden et al (JACI 1992; 90:386-393). The test method used is the Phadia ImmunoCAP IgG assay which has been recalibrated to correlate with the venom IgG assay referenced above.

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENTS:

Draw blood in a plain red-top tube(s), serum gel tube(s) is acceptable. Spin down and send 0.5 mL of serum refrigerated in a plastic vial.

SPECIMEN STABILITY INFORMATION:

| Specimen Type | Temperature | Time |
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| Serum | Refrigerated (preferred) | 28 days |
| | Ambient | 7 days |
| | Frozen | 365 days |

FEE: \$61.40 CPT CODE: 86001

DAY(S) SET UP: Monday through Friday **ANALYTIC TIME:** 2 - 3 days

QUESTIONS: Contact Mary Erath, MML Referrals Supervisor Telephone: 800-533-1710