

NEW TEST ANNOUNCEMENT REFERRAL

NOTIFICATION DATE: February 14, 2013 **EFFECTIVE DATE:** March 19, 2013

ANTI-RETINAL ANTIBODIES (CAR, MAR, AUTOIMMUNE RETINOPATHY), WESTERN BLOT

Test ID: FARWB

EXPLANATION: The following new orderable, referred to Oregon Health and Science University-Ocular Immunology Laboratory, will be available March 19, 2013. This test will replace Test ID ZW214, referral lab code MML466.

METHODOLOGY: Western Blot (WB)

REFERENCE VALUES:

An interpretive report will be faxed or mailed under separate cover.

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENTS:

Submit one of the following:

Serum:

Draw blood in a plain, red-top tube(s), serum gel tube(s) is acceptable. Spin down and send 5 mL serum refrigerated in a plastic vial.

Plasma:

Draw blood in a lavender-top (EDTA) tube(s). Spin down and send 5 mL EDTA plasma refrigerated in a plastic vial.

Complete and submit with specimen:

- 1. Completed OHSU Ocular request form
- 2. Clinical history
- 3. Referring physician information (name & phone number)
- -NOTE: Without this information, testing cannot be completed.

SPECIMEN STABILITY INFORMATION:

Specimen Type	Temperature	Time
Varies	Refrigerated (preferred)	14 days
	Ambient	24 hours

FEE: \$475.00 CPT CODE: 84182

DAY(S) SET UP: 6 - 8 weeks ANALYTIC TIME: 7 - 9 weeks

QUESTIONS: Contact Mary Erath, MML Laboratory Technologist Resource Coordinator Telephone: 800-533-1710