



Test Update 682

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Order Code: **QBKV**

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Effective September 30, 2019, MLabs will offer BK Virus DNA, Quantitative, Plasma (QBKV) to replace the **VBKP** test sent to Viracor. This test is primarily used for kidney transplant patients to prevent BK virus associated nephropathy and also has a role in bone marrow transplant patients who many develop hemorrhagic cystitis.

Specimen Collection: Collect approximately 7 mL of whole blood in a EDTA Lavender Top tube. Centrifuged and aliquot the plasma into a plastic vial. Ship the specimen frozen. This specimen cannot be shared with other testing.

Methodology: Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR)

Set Up/ Analytic Time: Monday- Saturday

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