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Information for OILD testing:

Sample details:

We require at least **5ml** of sterile serum (<u>NOT</u> plasma). Therefore you will need to draw at least 10ml blood into a tube without additives. Vacutainer tubes with a gel separator can be used as long as they are without additives. Please separate the serum from the red blood cells before sending the sample. The serum sample may be sent in a vacutainer tube that contains gel as long as the serum has been separated from the clot prior to shipping. Do not freeze the sample because the IgE antibody decreases with freezing and thawing.

Mode of delivery:

The best way to send samples to us is by an overnight courier service of your choice such as Federal Express. Please send the samples on wet ice if possible using the approved method for sending biohazardous specimens. Ensure that the tubes containing the serum are protected from breakage during shipping and package appropriately. Please do not send overnight delivery packages on Fridays since our Receiving Room is not open on Saturday and no one is available to receive the sample. If the sample is already frozen, do not thaw because the IgE antibody will decrease with repeated freezing and thawing. Send for next day delivery on dry ice.

Cost:

\$275 (USD) per sample. For that cost, each sample will be tested for both IgG and IgE antibodies to the hapten-chemical protein conjugate and HSA.

Send Samples to:

Attn: Dr. Leslie Grammer Northwestern University, Feinberg School of Medicine, 240 E Huron St, McGaw M 520 L, Chicago, IL 60611 USA For any questions call:

Ph: 312-503-0203

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