

New HIV Testing Algorithm Results

Lab Report Language	Interpretation
Negative. HIV-1 p24 antigen, HIV-1 and HIV-2 antibodies not detected.	If client did not have risk in the two weeks before the test or since, client does not have HIV.
Positive. HIV-1 antibodies detected.	The client has HIV-1.
Positive. HIV-2 antibodies detected.	The client has HIV-2.
Positive. A reactive HIV antigen/antibody test and a positive HIV-1 RNA test indicate acute HIV-1 infection.	The client has HIV-1 and the test result indicates that s/he was recently infected (likely infected 2-8 weeks before taking the test).
Negative. HIV antibodies not detected. No detectable HIV-1 RNA. HIV-2 infection cannot be excluded.	The client does not have HIV-1. The client should be retested in two weeks to rule out possibility of acute HIV-2.