

# Measles Virus Testing

ARUP Laboratories is the first reference laboratory to offer a molecular measles test that both detects the measles virus and distinguishes between disease-causing and vaccine strains of the virus.<sup>1,2</sup>

Following vaccination for measles, approximately 5% of individuals may develop a rash that is similar in appearance to the rash that results from measles infection.<sup>3</sup> As individuals with postvaccination rash are not infectious, distinguishing between vaccine reactions and infections is essential for patient management strategies.

## WHY CHOOSE ARUP?

- Detection and strain differentiation are provided in a single test
- Results are returned in 1–3 days
- Testing is performed 7 days a week

## MOLECULAR TESTING AVAILABLE AT ARUP

3019269 | Measles Virus by Qualitative NAAT

## SEROLOGY TESTING AVAILABLE AT ARUP

0099597 | Measles (Rubeola) Antibody, IgM  
0050375 | Measles (Rubeola) Antibodies, IgG and IgM

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