

# Test Catalog

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# **HCG-Beta (Human Chorionic Gonadotropin Beta)**

# Methodology

Immunohistochemistry (IHC)

# **Test Description**

HCG-beta is secreted in large quantities by the placenta and normally is found in maternal circulation during early fetal development. Polyclonal Rabbit Anti-Human Chorionic Gonadotropin is intended for use in immunocytochemistry. The antibody labels hCG-containing cells and may be used for the demonstration of trophoblastic elements, e.g. in germ cell tumors.

# **Specimen Requirements**

- A formalin-fixed, paraffin-embedded (FFPE) tissue block is preferred specimen type or
- One (1) unbaked, unstained slide for H&E staining (required) and two to three (2-3) positively charged unstained slides (all cut at 4-5 microns) for each test/antibody ordered
- Block and slide identifiers should be clearly written and match exactly with the specimen ID and specimen labeling as noted on the requisition.

# **Storage & Transportation**

Use cold pack for transport. Make sure cold pack is not in direct contact with specimen.

#### CPT Code(s)\*

88342 x 1 or 88341 x 1

#### **New York Approved**

Yes

#### **Level of Service**

Stain Only

### **Turnaround Time**

24 hours

#### **Notes**

Global prognostic interpretation is available

Please direct any questions regarding coding to the payor being billed.

<sup>\*</sup>The CPT codes provided with our test descriptions are based on AMA guidelines and are for informational purposes only. Correct CPT coding is the sole responsibility of the billing party.

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