



Bovine Viral Diarrhoea (BVD) Virus Isolation

This test is undertaken by specialist referral laboratories and would require pre-arranging transport media and notification of the laboratory to expect it. An ELISA test is available to test for the virus either as an antigen or antibody, PCR testing for virus identification and VNT testing for serological responses to infection are also available and preferred over viral culture.

See also “Bovine Viral Diarrhoea (BVD) Testing Guidelines”.



Species:
Bovine



Specimen:
Swabs, fresh tissue,
serum or blood



Container:
Plain (serum)
EDTA (whole blood)
Virus transport media
for swabs
Tissues in sterile pots



Collection Protocol:
Venepuncture
Post mortem tissue
collection
Swab of lesions



Special handling/
shipping
requirements:
Ship all samples
chilled