

Promega SARS-CoV-2 (COVID-19) Antibody Study Information

Do you know someone who has tested positive for the COVID-19 virus? By this, we mean that they have actually had a positive test and have recovered from the virus. Promega is searching for study participants, in order to evaluate a test of the immune response to the COVID-19 virus.

What is the purpose of Promega's test?

It will determine whether a person has developed antibodies to the virus in response to the infection.

Knowledge of who has been infected, and whether or not they are immune to further infection, is a critical tool in fighting this pandemic.

What does the study involve?

You will need to come to the Promega Campus, in Fitchburg, WI. We will need to draw a few tubes of your blood in order to evaluate the presence of the antibodies.

You will need to provide written proof or sign a release of your positive test results from your healthcare provider in advance of being included in the study.

Will I be compensated?

You will be provided with a nominal local gift card for your participation. Please know that by participating you will be providing very important assistance in the global response to the pandemic. To further the fight against this pandemic, Promega is developing this test under open-science policies (Promega will not patent nor keep trade-secret compositions unique to this test).

What are the possible complications?

With any blood draw, there is a possibility that we will need to try several times. There is also the chance that you may develop bruising or accumulation of blood under the skin (hematoma). These complications are rarely significant.

Can children participate?

All participants need to be 18 or older.

In order to enroll in the study, please call Poncho Meisenheimer, PhD at 608.210.5888 or poncho.meisenheimer@promega.com