

## **Hepatitis C Virus Genotyping by LiPA 2.0 method**

The hepatitis C virus is categorized into six major genotypes. Each of these six groups is further classified into different subtypes based on their sequence variations. The reporting subtypes from our laboratory are 1a, 1b, 2a or 2c, 2b, 3a, 3b, 3c, 3k, 4a/4c/4d, 4b, 4e, 4f, 4h, 5a, 6a or 6b.

The HCV genotype is determined by using the VERSANT<sup>®</sup> HCV amplification LiPA 2.0 method. Genotyping is currently indicated for patients who plan to undergo antiviral therapy. It helps determine the appropriate duration and Ribavirin dose for Interferon-based treatment regimens.

The performance characteristics of this test were validated by the University of Florida, Diagnostic Reference Laboratories (UF DRL). The test is not FDA approved. The results of the test are not intended to be used as the sole means for clinical diagnosis or patient management decisions. High-complexity testing by UF DRL is authorized by CLIA as well as both state and federal licensure and certification.

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