



# West Nile Virus Specimen Handling and Reporting

**Human Clinical  
specimens**

**Sera, CSF or  
tissue**

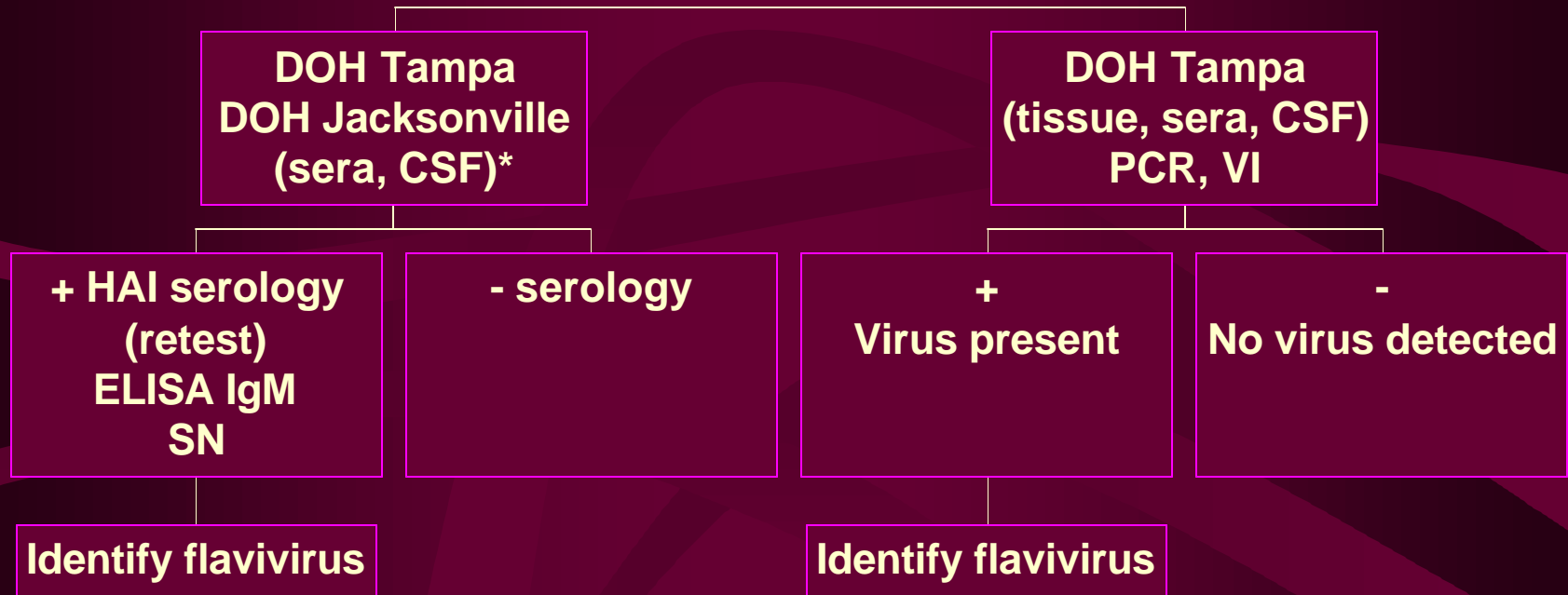
**Animal Specimens**

**Sentinel Chicken  
or other sera**

**Wild bird or other  
veterinary tissue**

**Mosquito  
Pools**

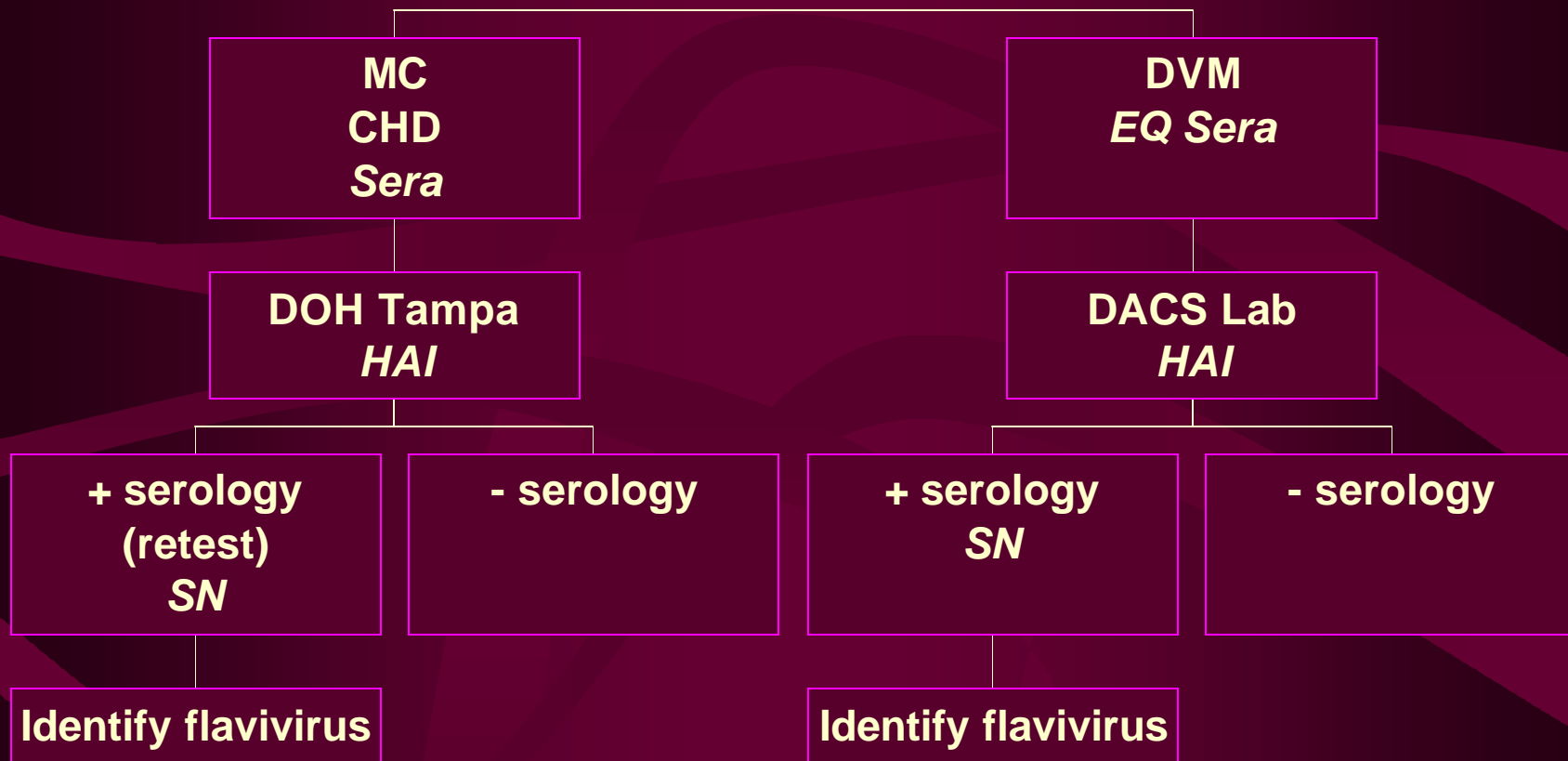
# Human Sera, CSF or Tissue Collected by Private MD or CHD



**Report: Individual sample results and weekly summary information**

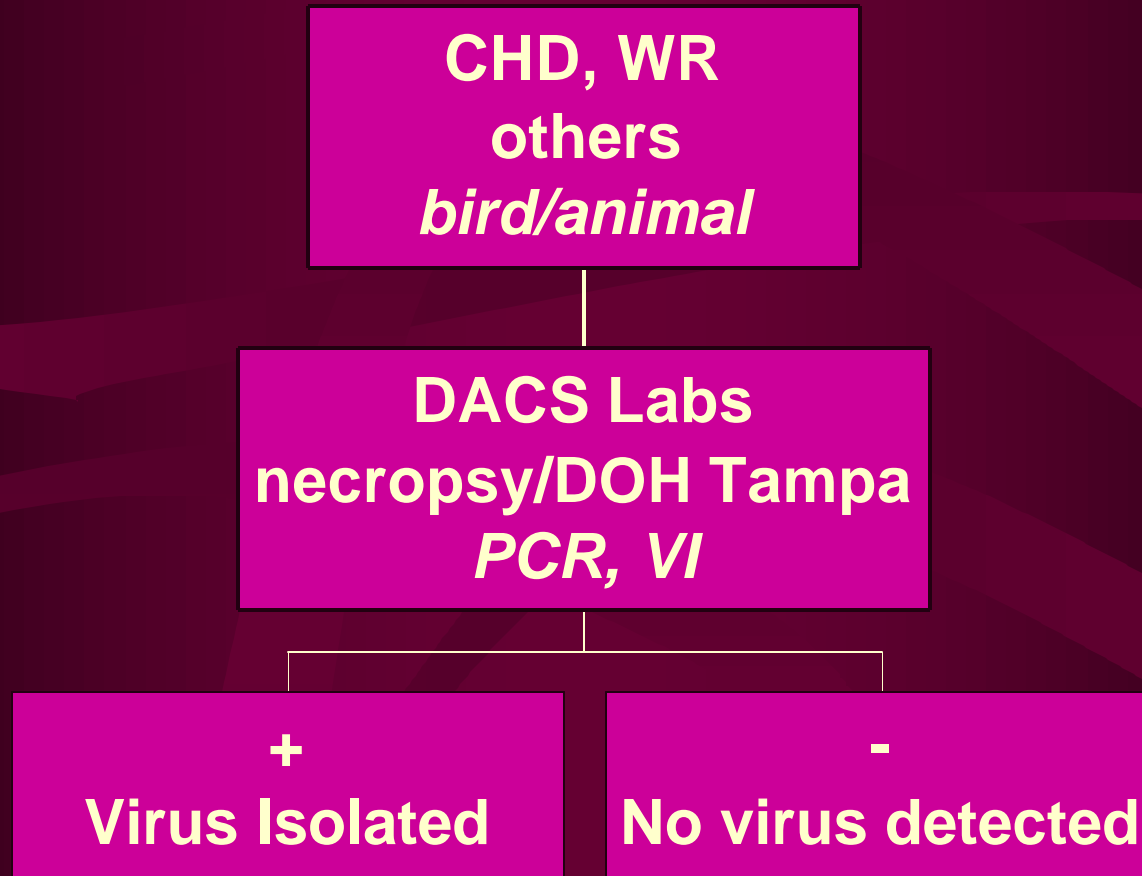
**\*If serum is collected less than 9 days post clinical onset, a most serological tests may produce inconclusive results. In most cases, a convalescent serum is required for confirmation.**

# Sentinel Chicken or Other Sera



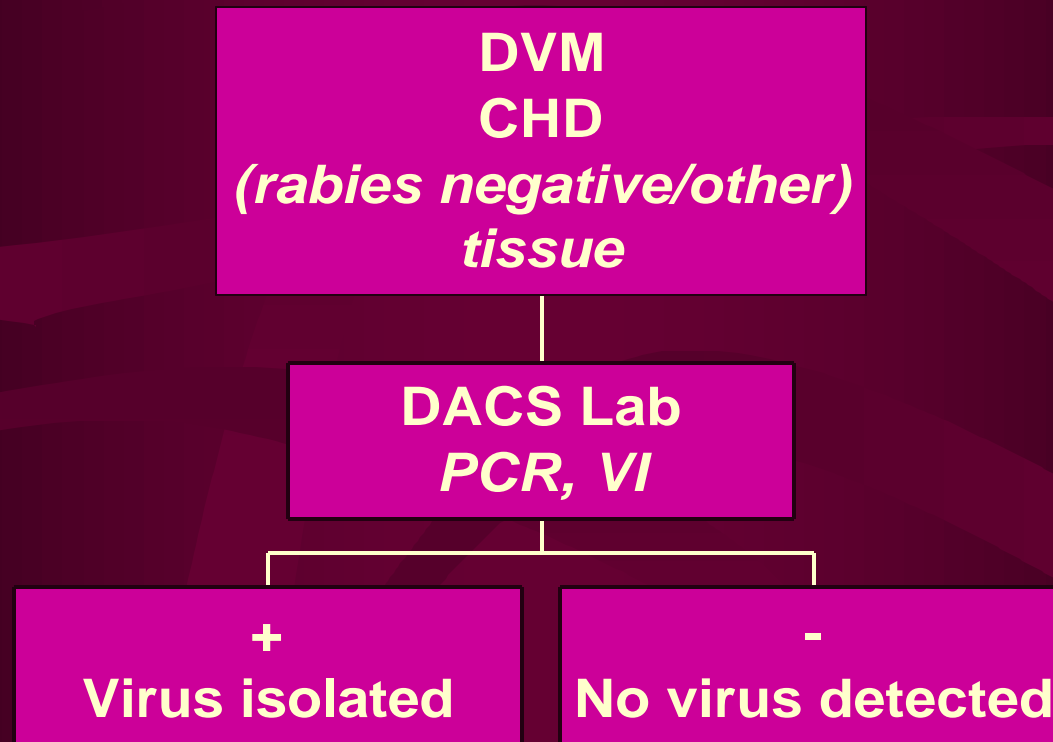
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# Wild Bird Tissues



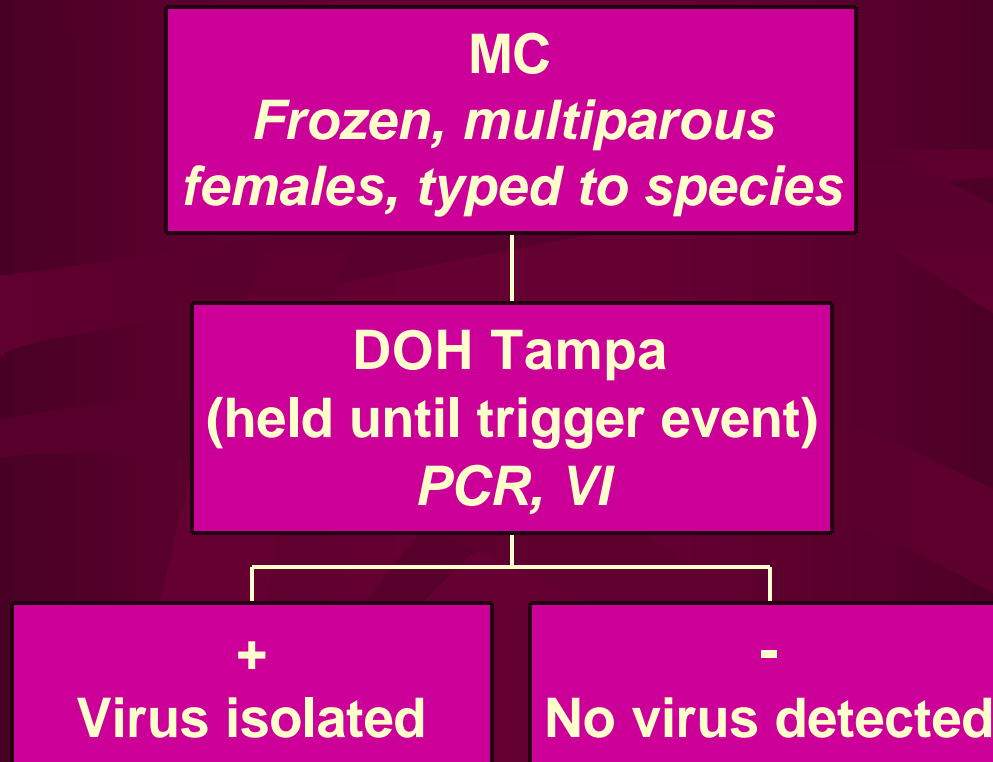
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# Veterinary Tissues



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# Mosquito Pools



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## List of abbreviations

- CSF - cerebrospinal fluid
- DACS - Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services
- DOH - Department of Health
- CHD - county health department
- DVM - veterinarian
- EQ - equine
- HAI - hemagglutination inhibition test
- SN- serum neutralization
- MC - mosquito control
- PCR - polymerase chain reaction
- VI- virus isolation
- WR- wildlife rehabilitators