

Table I. Test Results Indicative of Hashimoto's and PostPartum

TSH	Free T4	Antithyroid antibodies
<p>Increased, in combination with decreased free T4, diagnostic of primary hypothyroid. May require a patient baseline for comparison, as individual set points are much tighter than reference ranges</p>	<p>In unstable thyroid disease free T4 is the preferred test. Decrease in combination with increased TSH, Diagnostic of primary hypothyroidism. Increased TSH may keep free T4 levels within normal limits for some time</p>	<p>Present, indicative of autoimmune thyroid disease but not always present; TPOAb and TgAb are often used in combination</p>