

STREPTOCOCCUS PNEUMONIAE (LATEX), URINE
#110239

Explanation: Mayo Medical Laboratories New England will discontinue performing test #110239, *Streptococcus pneumoniae* (Latex), Urine on August 25, 2009.

RECOMMENDED ALTERNATIVE TEST: *Streptococcus pneumoniae* Ag, U, #200116

USEFUL FOR: Rapid diagnosis of pneumococcal pneumoniae

METHODOLOGY: Immunochromatographic Membrane Assay

REFERENCE VALUES: Negative

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENTS: 2 mL from a random urine collection. Send specimen refrigerated in a screw-capped, sterile, plastic, 13-mL urine tube. Maintain sterility and forward promptly.

CAUTIONS:

- A negative result does not exclude *Streptococcus pneumoniae* infection.
- A diagnosis of *Streptococcus pneumoniae* infection must take into consideration all test results, culture results, and the clinical presentation of the patient.
- *Streptococcus pneumoniae* vaccine may cause false-positive results, especially in patients who have received the vaccine within 5 days of having the test performed.
- This assay has not been validated for use with body fluids other than urine.
- The performance of this assay in patients who have received antibiotics for >24 hours has not been established.
- The accuracy of this assay has not been proven in small children.

LIST FEE: \$ 131.60

CPT CODE: 87450

ANALYTIC TIME: 1 day

DAY(S) SET UP: Mon – Friday, Sunday

QUESTIONS: Contact your Mayo Medical Laboratories' Regional Manager
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