

REPORTING CHANGE

NOTIFICATION DATE: May 26, 2009

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 9, 2009

**NEUROIMMUNOLOGY ANTIBODY FOLLOW-UP, SERUM
#84300**

EXPLANATION: Acetylcholine Receptor (AChR) Blocking Antibody testing will become obsolete on July 9, 2009. Currently, the AChR Blocking Ab is only performed as a Neuroimmunology Antibody Follow-up test if patient showed positivity in a past evaluation.

RECOMMENDED ALTERNATIVE TEST:

AChR Binding Antibodies (test# 8338) is the suggested test for monitoring disease progression in Myasthenia Gravis (MG). AChR Modulating Antibodies can be requested through Neuroimmunology Antibody Follow-up (test# 84300) for monitoring patients in the rare instance when AChR Binding Antibodies are not present.

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