

NEW TEST ANNOUNCEMENT REFERRAL

NOTIFICATION DATE: May 10, 2012 **EFFECTIVE DATE:** June 12, 2012

RI ANTIBODY SCREEN WITH REFLEX TO TITER AND WESTERN BLOT Test ID: FNARI

EXPLANATION: The following new orderable, FNARI, referred to Quest Diagnostics Nichols Institute, will be available June 12, 2012.

REFERRAL LAB CODE: 10140

REFLEX TESTS:

Test ID	Reporting Name
FRIWB	Ri Ab, Western Blot
FNRIT	Ri Ab Titer

METHODOLOGY: Immunofluorescence Assay (IFA); Western Blot (WB)

REFERENCE VALUES:

Reference Range: Negative

Neuronal nuclear (anti Ri) antibody is detected in patients with paraneoplastic syndrome clinically presenting with myoclonus/opsoclonus. The presence of Ri antibody strongly suggests underlying breast carcinoma, or gynecological cancer. Ri antibody is identified by IFA and confirmed by Western Blot. A negative result does not exclude the possibility of breast cancer or other malignant tumor.

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENTS:

Draw blood in a plain red-top tube. Spin down and send 0.5 mL of serum ambient.

Note: 1. Overnight fasting is preferred.

2. Serum gel tube is acceptable, but must pour off into a plastic vial.

SPECIMEN STABILITY INFORMATION:

Specimen Type	Temperature	Time
Serum	Ambient (preferred)	7 days
	Frozen	21 days
	Refrigerated	14 days

LIST FEE: \$125.00

The following test(s) may be added per the testing algorithm:

\$50.00 for FRIWB (Ri Ab, Western Blot, Serum)

\$100.00 for FNRIT (Ri Ab Titer, Serum)

CPT CODE(s): 86255; 84181; 86256

DAYS SET-UP: Monday, Wednesday, Friday

ANALYTIC TIME: 4 days

QUESTIONS: Contact Mary Erath, MML Laboratory Technologist Resource Coordinator

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