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NEW TEST ANNOUNCEMENT

NOTIFICATION DATE: March 28, 2014

EFFECTIVE DATE: May 6, 2014

BLASTOMYCES ANTIBODY BY EIA, SERUM Test ID: BLAST

EXPLANATION: *Blastomyces* antibody test ID is changing from SBLAS to BLAST to accommodate abnormal flagging. The Fungal Antibody Survey, Serum (FSS) is no longer available.

USEFUL FOR: Detection of antibodies in patients with blastomycosis

METHODOLOGY: Enzyme Immunoassay (EIA)

REFERENCE VALUES: Negative

Container/Tube:

Preferred: Red top

Acceptable: Serum gel

Specimen Volume: 1 mL

Minimum Volume: 0.5 mL

SPECIMEN STABILITY INFORMATION:

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

CAUTIONS: - A negative result does not rule out Blastomycosis.
- Cross-reactivity may occur with other fungal infections such as *Aspergillus*, *Coccidioides* or *Histoplasma*

CPT CODE: 86612

DAY(S) SET UP: Monday through Friday, Sunday

ANALYTIC TIME: 1 day

QUESTIONS: Contact your Mayo Medical Laboratories' Regional Manager or Dunisha Messmer, MML Laboratory Technologist Resource Coordinator
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