

NEW TEST:

NOTIFICATION DATE: FEBRUARY 19, 2021

EFFECTIVE DATE: Immediately

HISTOPLASMA QUANTITATIVE AG, BAL/CSF 994/LAB994

QUICK REFERENCE

Effective immediately, a new test is available for the quantitative detection of Histoplasma antigen in Bronchoalveolar lavage (BAL) and cerebrospinal fluid (CSF) specimens.

DETAILS

Test name: Histoplasma quantitative Ag, BAL/CSF

Test number: 994

Excellian order number: LAB994

Abbreviation: MSO

Useful for: The MVista® histoplasma quantitative antigen test aids the diagnosis of histoplasmosis. Monitoring the

histoplasmosis helps determine when treatment can be stopped and to diagnose relapse

Specimen type: Bronchoalveolar lavage (BAL)

Collection container: Sterile vial/container

 Volume:
 1.0 mL

 Minimum volume:
 0.5 mL

Transport container: Sterile vial/container

Alternate specimen type: Cerebrospinal fluid (CSF)

Alternate specimen volume: 1.0 mL (minimum 0.8 mL)

Transport and stability: Refrigerated (preferred) – 14 days

Ambient – 14 days Frozen - Indefinitely

Reason for rejection: • Specimen too viscous to pipette

· Tissue, sputum, bronchial brushings, stool, FNA, biopsy, tracheal or bone marrow aspirate

· Stored in transport media, fixative or isolator tubes

Reference ranges: None detected

Positive: 0.4-19.0 ng/mL

CPT codes: 87385

QUESTIONS: Contact your Allina Health Laboratory account representative, or our Client Services department