

TEST CHANGE

NOTIFICATION DATE: February 19, 2021

EFFECTIVE DATE: Immediately

HISTOPLASMA QUANTITATIVE AG 13659/LAB13659

QUICK REFERENCE

LabCorp has shared that, effective immediately, bronchoalveolar lavage (BAL) and cerebrospinal fluid (CSF) samples are not acceptable for the Histoplasma quantitative Ag assay (13659/LAB13659).

DETAILS

The name of the Histoplasma quantitative Ag assay has been changed to Histoplasma quantitative Ag, urine or serum in order to reflect the acceptable sample types.

The suggested alternative test for BAL and CSF specimens is the Histoplasma quantitative Ag, BAL/CSF.

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

Performing lab: MiraVista Diagnostics (6M#310) via LabCorp (831063): R-NX

Days set up: Mo - Fr
TAT: 4 - 5 days

Method: Quantitative Sandwich Enzyme Immunoassay (EIA)

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