

MEMO

TO: Clients
FROM: CCLS – Specimen Referral Center
DATE: 7/25/2024
SUBJECT: Babesia microti Ab, IgG

Effective immediately, Mayo will be making for following tests non-orderable:

BABESIA microti AB, IgG, MAYO CODE BABG (LAB0291377)

TICK-BORNE DISEASE AB PROFILE, IgG, MAYO CODE TICKS (LAB0255687)

Explanation: Due a to nationwide babesia reagent supply issue, Tick-Borne Disease Antibodies Panel, Serum will become non-orderable effective immediately. There is no 1:1 Babesia antibody referral test available through Mayo Clinic Laboratories during this test down. For acute detection of suspected babesiosis, please consider molecular testing. Panel test can be completed using a combination of the recommended alternatives below. An update will be provided when testing resumes.

Recommended Alternative Tests:

For the **TICKS** profile the recommendation is to order the profile tests individually as listed below:

- ***Borrelia burgdorferi Serology, Evaluation with Reflex (LYME) – LAB0233064***
- ***Ehrlichia Ab Profile which includes Anaplasma phagocytophilum Ab, IgG and Ehrlichia Chaffeensis (HME) Ag, IgG, Mayo code EHRCP – LAB0255190***
- ***Babesia Species, molecular Detection, PCR, Mayo code BABPB, LAB1282***

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