TECHNICAL BULLETIN

DISCONTINUED TEST

NOTIFICATION DATE: 02/17/2023 EFFECTIVE DATE: Immediate

Coxsackie B (1-6) Ab, CSF (CoxB1-6CSF)

On the effective date, Northwell Health Laboratories will discontinue the Coxsackie B(1-6) Ab, CSF test. This test will no longer be available to order and there are no referral options available. For acute diagnosis of Coxsackie virus infection, order CSF PCR Panel, which allows for direct detection of Coxsackie B virus from CSF as part of the Enterovirus target on the panel, or Enterovirus PCR for direct detection in sources other than CSF.

Computer Interface Code: PDM #1959738

Test Order: CoxB1-6CSF

Recommended Alternative Tests	CSF PCR Panel	Enterovirus PCR, Other Sources
Method	Multiplex Amplified nucleic acid test that uses Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR)	Real-Time Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR)/RNA Probe Hybridization
Submission Container/Tube	Sterile	Sterile
Specimen Volume/Minimum Volume	0.5 mL	0.5 mL (0.3 mL min)
Specimen Stability	Room Temperature: 24 hours Refrigerated: 7 days	7 days Refrigerated (preferred) or 7 days Frozen
Reference Range	Not Detected	Negative
Computer Interface Code	PDM #1663066	PDM #1459884
Test Order	CSFPCR	ENTEROPCR