



## CRYPTOCOCCUS ANTIGEN (QUANTITATIVE)

**Synonym(s):** Cryptococcus neoformans Antigen (Quantitative) Test

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<b>Lab Section Category</b>	<b>Bacteriology/Mycology/Parasitology - Fungi</b> Click here to find out more about the <b>write-up</b> ( <a href="/Clinical-Departments-Centers/Pathology/Pathology-Handbook/Lab-Discipline-Special-Instructions/pages/bacteriology-mycology-parasitology.aspx">/Clinical-Departments-Centers/Pathology/Pathology-Handbook/Lab-Discipline-Special-Instructions/pages/bacteriology-mycology-parasitology.aspx</a> ).
<b>Specimen Required</b>	1 mL CSF; 5 mL plain blood. For following progress of patient with cryptococcal meningitis, CSF is preferred; blood may be useful for monitoring some HIV patients.
<b>Method</b>	Lateral Flow Assay
<b>Test Result</b>	Negative result: "Cryptococcus Antigen : Negative : Titre : $\leq 1:5$ " Positive result: "Positive for Cryptococcus Antigen : Titre : ___"
<b>Turnaround Time</b>	4 - 24 hours
<b>Day(s) Test Set up</b>	Monday - Saturday

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