



## CRYPTOCOCCUS MICROSCOPY

### Synonym(s):

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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 (/Clinical-Departments-Centers/Pathology/Pathology-Handbook/Lab-Discipline-Special-Instructions/pages/bacteriology-mycology-parasitology.aspx)</b> .
<b>Specimen Required</b>	1 mL CSF Cryptococcal antigen detection should be requested too, as the latter is more sensitive.
<b>Method</b>	India Ink Stain
<b>Test Result</b>	Encapsulated blastoconidia seen, suggestive of <i>C. neoformans</i> ; No <i>Cryptococcus</i> species seen
<b>Turnaround Time</b>	2 - 4 hours
<b>Day(s) Test Set up</b>	Monday - Saturday

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