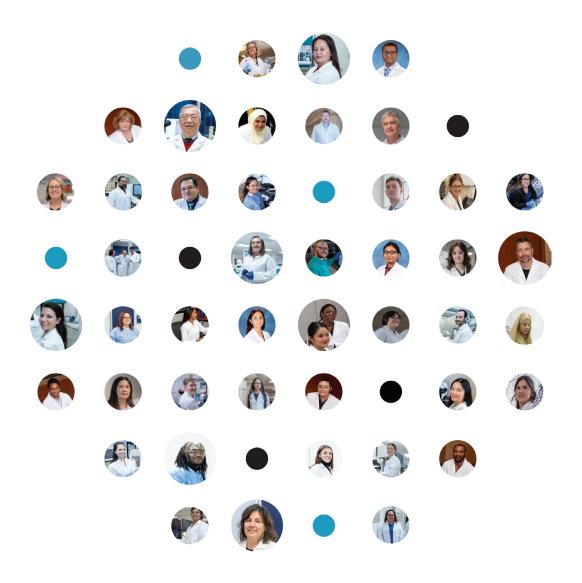


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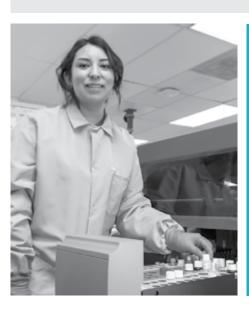
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- H5N1 Influenza A Detection and Subtyping program for US laboratories (FLUA)
- Calibration Verification/Linearity for Reticulocytes (LN53)
- Global program for Dengue Virus Serology (DENS)
- Optical Genome Mapping (OGM)

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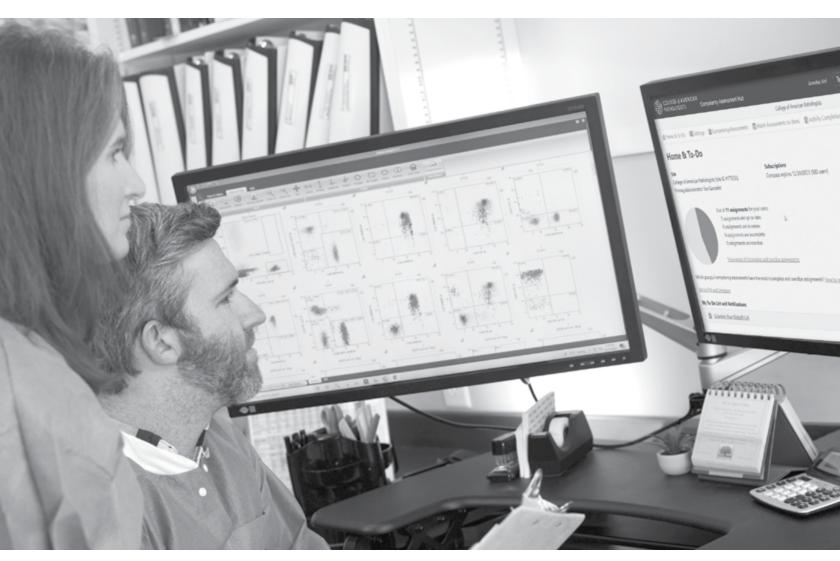
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- 3. Answer online learning assessment questions.
- 4. Claim CE certificate.

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Program Name	Program Code	Discipline	Catalog Page(s)	
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When your laboratory participates in CAP Surveys, every member of your team can receive self-reported training opportunities.

Self-Reported Training Opportunities*							
Program Name	Program Code	Source	Catalog Page(s)				
Quality Management Tools							
Comparative Inpatient Analyte Volumes for Individual and Integrated Laboratories	QPA5/QPA10	Data Analysis and Critique	25				
Assessment of Consistency of Body Fluid Morphologic Observations	QPB10/QPB25	Data Analysis and Critique	26				
Assessment of Consistency of Peripheral Blood Morphologic Observations	QPC10/QPC25	Data Analysis and Critique	27				
Assessment of Consistency of Gram Stain Morphologic Observations	QPD10/QPD25	Data Analysis and Critique	28				
Hematology and Clinical Microscopy							
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Microbiology							
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Toxicology		·					
Drug Monitoring for Pain Management	DMPM	Participant Summary	108				

*Notes:

[•] CAP Self-Reported Training Opportunities do not offer CE credit, but can be used toward fulfilling requirements for certification maintenance by agencies such as the American Society for Clinical Pathology (ASCP). Please verify with your certifying agency to determine your education requirements.

[•] These opportunities are subject to change. Refer to the Participant Summary/Final Critique for availability.

Continuing Certification (CC)

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Education Programs							
Program Name	Program Code	Maximum AMA PRA CME Category 1 Credits Annually	Maximum CE Credits Annually	Format	Catalog Page		
Autopsy Pathology*	AUP/AUP1	12.5	12.5	Online (DigitalScope®)	307		
Clinical Pathology Improvement Program*	CPIP/CPIP1	15	NA	Online	14		
Digital Slide Program— Dermatopathology*	DPATH/DPATH1	15	NA	Online (DigitalScope)	308		
Digital Slide Program in FNA*	FNA/FNA1	10	10	Online (DigitalScope)	315		
Fine-Needle Aspiration Glass Slide	FNAG/FNAG1	10	10	Glass Slides	316		
Forensic Pathology*	FR/FR1	12.5	12.5	Online	318		
Hematopathology Online Education*	HPATH/HPATH1	12.5	12.5	Online (DigitalScope)	149		
Nongynecologic Cytopathology Education**	NGC/NGC1	25	25	Glass Slides With Online Cases (DigitalScope)	314		
Navigating Multimodality Biomarker Assessment*	NMBA/NMB1	5	5	Online (DigitalScope)	303		
Neuropathology Program*	NP/NP1	10	NA	Online (DigitalScope)	310		
Gynecologic Cytopathology PAP Education Program***	PAPCE/APAPCE PAPJE/APAPJE PAPKE/APAPKE PAPLE/APAPLE PAPME/APAPME Series 1 or 2	8 8 Glass Slides		312			
Glass Slide Cytopathology PAP PT Program (With Glass Slide PAP Education)***	PAPCPT/APAPCPT PAPJPT/APAPJPT PAPKPT/APAPKPT PAPLPT/APAPLPT PAPMPT/APAPMPT	8	8 8 Glass Slide		311		
Performance Improvement Program in Surgical Pathology	PIP/PIP1	40	NA	Glass Slides With Online Cases (DigitalScope)	287		
Online Performance Improvement Program in Surgical Pathology*	PIPW/PIPW1	40	NA	Online (DigitalScope)	286		
Virtual Biopsy Program*	VBP/VBP1	25	NA	Online (DigitalScope)	288		

^{*}Program is available for purchase online. Go to cap.org and choose the Education tab.

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Navigating Multimodality Biomarker Assessment NMBA/NMB1							
Program Name	Program Code Cases per Mailing						
		NMBA/NMB1					
Multimodality biomarker assessment case analysis		ı	2				

Biomarkers can be tested through a variety of methodologies (eg, flow cytometry, immunohistochemistry, next-generation sequencing, PCR-based testing, karyotype, FISH, clinical chemistry). Each modality has different technical strengths and weaknesses, along with varied analytical and clinical specifications such as sensitivity and specificity. Results may not be clearly concordant across the modalities. This program will challenge pathologists to resolve discrepancies between different methods or "multimodality" biomarker testing.

Program Information

- NMBA Online program, whole slide images powered by DigitalScope technology (if available); NMBA provides CME or CE credit for one pathologist or laboratory professional.
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Clinical Pathology Improvement Program CPIP/CPIP1						
Program Name Program Code Cases per Ye						
Online cases in clinical pathology	ı	12				

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- · Pathologists with clinical and/or laboratory management responsibilities
- · Pathologists seeking CME CC credits in clinical pathology
- · Subspecialty clinical pathologists who need to keep current

Discipline	Case Schedule (subject to change)	Month 2026
Cytogenetics	Update and Testing Algorithms for Plasma Cell Disorders	January
Microbiology	HIV Testing	February
Hematology	Reactive Lymphocytoses	March
Transfusion	Indeterminate RhD Typing	April
Hematology	Red Cell Membrane and Enzymatic Defects	May
Molecular	Next Generation Sequencing & Molecular Basics	June
Chemistry	Westgard Rules Application in Quality Control	July
Transfusion	Patient Blood Management	August
Immunology	Syphilis Serology	September
Laboratory Management	Root Cause Analysis	October
Microbiology	Appropriate Microbiology Sample Collection	November
Hematology	Evaluation for Leukopenia	December

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Program Information

- CPIP One online clinical laboratory case per month
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2026 Pro Courses

Blood Bank/Transfusion Medicine

- · ABO typing discrepancies
- · Antibody screen and identification
- Direct antiglobulin test
- Blood components—storage, handling, and selection
- · Transfusion reactions
- Quality control in the blood bank laboratory

Chemistry

- · Cardiac biomarkers
- · Liver and renal testing
- · Electrolytes, acid base, and anion gap
- · Clinical toxicology
- · Therapeutic drug monitoring
- Chemistry QC, calibration, and reportable range

Hematology/Coagulation

- Erythrocyte morphology
- · Erythrocyte inclusions
- White blood cells (WBCs)
- · WBC inclusions
- Common coagulation tests
- Platelet testing, morphology, and disorders

Histology

- Immunohistochemistry—part 1
- Immunohistochemistry—part 2
- · Special stains
- · Histology specimen handling
- Quality management in histology
- Safety issues in the histology laboratory

<u>Immunology</u>

- · Hepatitis testing
- · Qualitative HIV testing
- Human chorionic gonadotropin and fetal fibronectin
- · Rapid serology kit tests
- Molecular amplification methods for detection of infectious diseases
- Monitoring the testing process in immunology

Microbiology

- Gram stain: organism detection and differentiation
- · Urine and body fluid cultures
- · Genital tract pathogens
- · Blood cultures
- Microbiology of the gastrointestinal tract
- · The microbiology of wounds

Phlebotomy/Specimen Processing

- · Venipuncture
- Challenges of phlebotomy: pediatric blood collection, alternate sites, and difficult draws
- Phlebotomy professionalism and ethics
- Common pitfalls in specimen processing
- Specimen collection for workplace urine drug testing programs and forensic drug and alcohol testing
- General specimen handling and transportation requirements

Point-of-Care Testing



- · Urine dipstick
- Whole blood prothrombin time and INR (PT/INR) testing
- Whole blood glucose testing
- · Cardiac biomarkers
- · Blood gas testing
- Provider-performed microscopy and limited waived testing

Quality Programs/Management

- · New instrument method validation
- · Monitoring the quality control program
- · Document control
- Investigating occurrences (occurrence reports, root cause analysis, and corrective action)
- · Competency evaluation
- Development and implementation of a quality management program

Safety

- · General laboratory safety
- · Bloodborne pathogens
- Laboratory waste and spill management
- · Fire and electrical safety
- · Hazardous chemicals
- SARS-CoV-2/COVID: biosafety precautions
- · Ergonomics

Urinalysis/Body Fluids

- · Physical and chemical urinalysis
- Microscopic urinalysis—part 1
- Microscopic urinalysis—part 2, crystals and casts
- · Cerebrospinal fluid analysis
- · Serous and synovial fluids
- · Semen analysis

Safety & Compliance Courses

OSHA Bloodborne Pathogens—Addresses the OSHA Bloodborne Pathogens standard as it applies to clinical and medical laboratories. Covers major bloodborne pathogens, including hepatitis B and HIV. Focuses on proper handling of sharps, personal protective equipment (PPE), engineering controls such as microbiological safety cabinets, and proper work practices like handwashing.



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OSHA Fire Safety—Teaches the basics of fire safety in the clinical laboratory, including classes of fire and key acronyms, such as PASS and RACE. Addresses fire prevention, drills, and firefighting techniques.

OSHA Formaldehyde—Covers essentials for any laboratory that uses formaldehyde or formalin. Shares facts about formaldehyde, safety risks, proper handling procedure, monitoring, spill cleanup, and PPE.

Tuberculosis Awareness for Health Care Workers—Provides background information about the spread of tuberculosis, purified protein derivative (PPD) testing procedures, CDC guidelines, and methods of control.

Medical Error Prevention: Patient Safety—Includes potential causes of medical errors in the clinical laboratory, important legislation and definitions, and steps laboratory professionals can take to reduce the impact of medical errors in their workplace. Serves as an ideal part of an effective medical error reduction program. Appropriate for both experienced and newer laboratory personnel.

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HIPAA Privacy and Security Rules—Addresses the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA) privacy regulations and treatment of protected health information (PHI) in a succinct manner. Content is directed at laboratory staff, from desk personnel to phlebotomists to medical laboratory scientists. Includes technical and physical safeguards, minimum necessary standards, administrative requirements, and authorization.

Identify and control risks in your laboratory.

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Quality Management Educational Resources (QMEd) courses will help you:

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- Self-assess your current QMS against international quality standards.
- Interpret ISO 15189 requirements.
- · Perform internal audits using tracer audit and process audit methods.
- Implement and refine occurrence management with root cause analysis.

Course Information

- · Delivered on demand so you can pause, resume where you left off, and learn at your own pace
- · Mobile-friendly so you can learn where and when you want
- · Accessible for a minimum of twelve months
- Includes continuing education (CE) credit
- · Individual learners use their own login with the ability to bookmark the course and continue where they left off.

About the Courses

Change Management Order QMEDCHNG NEW

Learn what drives a successful change project. Learn to anticipate and proactively address stakeholder resistance. Explore case studies of both small- and large-scale change initiatives in medical laboratories. Gain valuable insights from CAP member pathologists as they share their real-world experiences.

4 CE credits available

Risk Management Order QMEDRISK

Learn how different elements of the quality management system—internal audit, data analysis, daily meetings, etc—contribute to identifying and controlling risk. Learn best practices for managing risk, plus practical tools for all phases of the risk management process. This course features exemplary huddle meetings—both laboratory-wide and individual section huddles—from Seattle Children's Hospital, along with a case example showing how high-level risk assessment can be integrated into management review.

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This program—designed for laboratory medical directors, administrative directors, quality managers, and other leaders whose decisions affect the culture of their laboratory—provides an adaptable program for proactive culture change. Its unique Culture Assessment Tool helps laboratory leadership get a picture of where your organization is strong and where it needs to improve, then helps make culture change a reality. It also includes video commentary by CAP member pathologists.

4 CE credits available

Root Cause Analysis Order QMEDROOT

Designed for laboratory quality managers and implementation team members. Learn real-world methodology and tools to conduct and implement a root cause analysis, performing key steps based on a participant case study. Choose further examples based on your work setting (eg, hospital, reference laboratory, or contract research organization). Includes the RCA Performance and Feedback Toolkit, which an organization can use to guide and assess root cause analysis projects.

6 CE credits available

Mistake Proofing Order QMEDMIST

Learn to develop and revise processes, reduce errors, and handle risks. The course methodology is focused on five main categories of mistake-proofing tactics, with examples taken from laboratory medicine. It includes video commentary by CAP member pathologists who have experience using Lean and other process-improvement techniques.

4 CE credits available

Internal Auditing Order QMEDAUDT

Improve your internal audit capability with a proven methodology for process, tracer, and laser audits. Learn to prepare for interviews, communicate findings to your quality management team, and use audits to drive process improvements. Includes detailed, real-world examples you can use to build your own audit plans, plus multimedia presentations of key concepts. 3 CE credits available

Management Review Order QMEDMGMT

Understand the ISO 15189 requirements for management review. CAP ISO 15189 assessors cover structuring review meetings, communicating results, and prompting strategic management decisions—all to benefit your organization's health.

2 CE credits available

Quality Manual Development Order QMEDMANL

Go beyond a quality plan—develop a manual that organizes and communicates your laboratory's quality management system. The course materials include a well-written and effective sample manual, which you can use to organize and create your own. Plus, the CAP's ISO 15189 assessors demonstrate how to link your quality policy to quality objectives and metrics.

2 CE credits available

Document Control Order QMEDDOCU

This "how-to" course details how to control documents to meet ISO 15189 requirements, how to accomplish document control even with minimal resources (such as spreadsheets), and how document control contributes to cost containment. The CAP's ISO 15189 assessors provide commentary on common pitfalls and best practices.

2 CE credits available

QMS Implementation Roadmap Order QMEDROAD

Outlines the practical steps necessary to build, implement, and maintain a quality management system that meets the ISO 15189 standard. Video recordings of the CAP's ISO 15189 assessors provide perspective on best practices and pitfalls. Designed for laboratory quality managers and implementation team members.

2 CE credits available

15189 Walkthrough Order QMEDWALK

This course summarizes each main clause of the ISO 15189 standard, clarifying its intent and key requirements. CAP assessors offer context in videos that also provide examples of how technical problems relate to fundamental deficiencies in the quality management system. This course, designed for laboratories considering implementation, is updated for the ISO 15189:2022 edition.

2 CE credits available

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The CAP 15189SM Accreditation Program provides accreditation to the ISO 15189:2022 4th edition, an international standard to recognize quality and competence in medical laboratories.

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- Dedicated, expert assessors who specialize in ISO 15189
- Unique, tailored education and quality tools developed with pathologist input
- A personalized, flexible accreditation process

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Quality Management Tools



Easily integrate quality improvement into your daily work processes.

Measure and document your process improvements with these convenient tools:

- Analyze your test use and benchmark your results to other laboratories and/or systems (QPA5/QPA10).
- Meet requirements for competency element 5 and gain efficiency in your assessment of consistency for body fluid (QPB10/QPB25), peripheral blood smear (QPC10/QPC25), and Gram stain (QPD10/QPD25) morphologic observations.

Quality Management Tools

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Discontinued Programs

Laboratory Staffing Ratios QP251 (QPR-A)

Quality Management Tools

Benchmark outside your laboratory.

The CAP Quality Management Tools can improve your total testing process by providing a convenient solution to measure and document process improvements within your laboratory's quality management system.

- Short-Term Quality Studies and Morphology/Competency Assessments provide opportunities to benchmark performance indicators, compare normative rates, and assist your laboratory in meeting checklist requirements.
- Continuous Quality Monitors examine performance indicators such as turnaround time and specimen identification errors throughout the year, and meet checklist requirements.

Available for clinical pathology laboratories, Quality Management Tools examine preanalytic, analytic, and postanalytic phases, helping participants to:

- Establish realistic goals by comparing their performance against other institutions with comparable demographics.
- Monitor progress through unique and robust quality indicators on a periodic basis.
- Make effective decisions based on practical and in-depth quality management reports.
- Improve efficiencies to allow time for more patient-centric activities.
- Easily integrate quality improvement into their daily work processes.
- Meet requirements of the CAP Laboratory Accreditation Program checklists and The Joint Commission standards.

Purchase combination packages and save.

2026 Short-Term Quality Studies and Morphology/Competency Assessments					
Module/Package	Program Code				
Individual Short-Term Quality Studies and Morphology/Competency Assessments	QPA5, QPA10, QPB10, QPB25, QPC10, QPC25, QPD10, QPD25				
Four Quality Management Tools (QPA5, QPB10, QPC10, QPD10)	PRO				

2026 Continuous Quality Monitors				
Module/Package Program Code				
Individual Continuous Quality Monitors	QT2, QT3, QT4, QT7, QT8, QT10, QT16, QT17			
Clinical Pathology Module—includes all eight Continuous Quality Monitors	QTC			

Complement your quality management program needs with these clinical pathology studies.

Clinical Pathology Study	Test	Testing Phase Purpose								
Select from the following studies to support your quality improvement initiatives.	Preanalytic	Analytic	Postanalytic	Clinical Pathology	Turnaround Time	Patient Safety	Microbiology	Transfusion Medicine	Chemistry/ Hematology	Customer Satisfaction
Comparative Inpatient Analyte Volumes for Individual and Integrated Laboratories (QPA5/QPA10)			•	•		•	•		•	
Assessment of Consistency of Body Fluid Morphologic Observations (QPB10/QPB25)		ı		•		ı			ı	
Assessment of Consistency of Peripheral Blood Morphologic Observations (QPC10/QPC25)		ı		ı		1			•	
Assessment of Consistency of Gram Stain Morphologic Observations (QPD10/QPD25)		ı		•		•				
Blood Culture Contamination (QT2)				•						
Laboratory Specimen Acceptability (QT3)				•						
In-Date Blood Product Wastage (QT4)				•						
Satisfaction with Outpatient Specimen Collection (QT7)				•						
Stat Test Turnaround Time Outliers (QT8)		I		•	I					
Critical Values Reporting (QT10)				•						
Corrected Results (QT16)				•						
Outpatient Order Entry Errors (QT17)	•			1		I			I	

The CAP requires accredited laboratories to have a quality management plan that covers all areas of the laboratory and includes benchmarking key measures of laboratory performance (GEN.13806, GEN.20316, COM.04000). The Joint Commission requires accredited hospitals, laboratory staff, and leaders to regularly collect and analyze performance data (PI.01.01.01, PI.03.01.01, LD.03.06.01, LD.03.07.01). CLIA requires laboratories to monitor, assess, and correct problems identified in preanalytic, analytic, and postanalytic systems (§493.1200(b), §493.1239(c), §493.1249, §493.1289, §493.1299).

Short-Term Quality Studies and Morphology/Competency Assessments

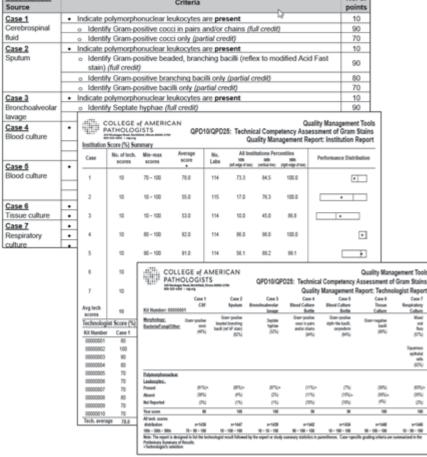
Implement quality monitoring—Use these comprehensive short-term quality studies and morphology/competency assessments to learn how to start monitoring and measuring key processes that may not be commonly monitored in your laboratory. These assessments also analyze emerging industry trends and topics to keep your laboratory ahead of the curve.

Gain experience in data collection and analysis—Based on data collected and submitted between predetermined dates, the CAP provides personalized reports with the individual participant's performance compared against peers.

Strengthen your quality assessment expertise—CAP pathologist experts provide in-depth discussions and identify best practices for laboratories to strive for. In addition, the studies' consolidated results are carefully reviewed and analyzed to be published in the form of scientific articles.

Participating laboratories receive:

- User Guides
- Templates and instructions for data collection
- Individual Participant Summaries and interpretation guides
- Data distributions and initial analysis of laboratory practices
- Data Analysis and Critiques with author commentaries on improvement opportunities, dependent on study type and complexity
- Morphology/Competency Program inclusions:
 - Participant Summary Reports have institution and individual study results.
 - o Data Analysis and Critique has commentaries from subject matter experts on the importance of each case with links for viewing the online slides and annotations of significant morphology.





Comparative Inpatient Analyte Volumes for Individual and Integrated Laboratories QPA5/QPA10

Introduction

It is well established that test ordering practices vary widely between health care providers even when adjusted for similar patient populations and conditions. These practices may involve test menu configuration, ordering protocols, or restriction policies such as use of laboratory formularies. Similarly, ordering practices can vary between facilities within the same health care system. A method to evaluate potential gaps in test utilization practices is to compare the adjusted volume of specific tests ordered between facilities both within the same health care system of laboratories and between different health care systems of laboratories. Differences detected in the quantity of specific tests performed can be useful for laboratories to identify potential issues in test-ordering practices. Ultimately, these gaps can affect the appropriateness of testing and optimal diagnosis and treatment for patients.

Objectives

The purpose of this study is to provide laboratory management participants with comparative benchmarks of various annual inpatient test analyte volumes. Test volumes will be standardized to optimize comparability amongst facilities. Findings can assist participants with their laboratory test ordering stewardship programs, and in meeting CAP Laboratory Accreditation Program Checklist statements GEN.20316, QMS Indicators of Quality, to identify tests that are redundant, excessive, or noncontributory to good patient care, and evidence of compliance with DRA.10440 Effective Quality Management System, and DRA.10700 Director Responsibility—Consultations.*

In addition, associations between test volumes and ordering practices in use by participants, such as menu design, reflex testing, decision support, standing orders, and restriction policies, will be evaluated.

Performance Indicators

· Standardized annual inpatient test volumes

Your Reports - What to Expect

Your institution's standardized test volume results for each inpatient test studied in comparison to:

- Similar participating institutions
- Institutions within your integrated system, if applicable

If an institution reports a standardized inpatient test volume at higher or lower percentiles, the results can be seen on their Individual Report of Results for further examination.

Program Information

To meet your individual (single laboratory) or integrated system (more than one laboratory within a system) requirements, order as follows:

- Result forms for 1-5 laboratories (QPA5)
- Result forms for up to 10 laboratories (QPA10)
- Multiple orders may be purchased to accommodate a higher quantity of sites.

*Applicable requirements:

- CLIA requirements: Collection of data and performance improvement, test appropriateness: §493.1200(b), §493.1200(c), §493.1239(c)
- CAP Laboratory Accreditation Program Checklist statements: GEN.20316, QMS Indicators of Quality; DRA.10440 Effective
 Quality Management System (QMS): The laboratory director ensures an effective QMS for the laboratory; DRA.10700
 Director Responsibility—Consultations: The laboratory director provides for intralaboratory consultations and clinical
 consultations regarding the ordering of appropriate tests and the medical significance of laboratory data.
- Joint Commission Standards,: LD.03.01.01 (EP 1, EP 2), LD.03.02.01 (EP 1, EP 2): leaders create and maintain a culture of safety and quality throughout the laboratory, collect and use data and information to guide decisions... in the performance of processes supporting safety and quality; LD.03.03.01 (EP 1), LD.03.05.01; Pl.01.01.01 (EP 2, EP 18): the laboratory collects data to determine whether tests it offers meet the needs of the clinical staff and the population served.

This is a one-time study conducted in the first quarter.

Assessment of Consistency of Body Fluid Morphologic Observations QPB10/QPB25

Introduction

Laboratories receive a variety of body fluids for evaluation that technologists review. Technical staff must maintain their identification skills of these specimens, and laboratories are required to provide education and assess consistency of reporting morphology among staff and competency of body fluid cell identification on an annual basis.

Objectives

This study will assess the effectiveness of educational and practical experience policies and procedures dedicated to the laboratory's efforts in maintaining technologist skills in the performance of accurate body fluid cell counts and identification of other body fluid features. Results of this study will assist individuals, the laboratory director, and the manager with areas to focus on for improvement and education.

The study will help management meet applicable CLIA, CAP Laboratory Accreditation Program, and The Joint Commission laboratory requirements for consistency of reporting morphology among staff and personnel competency requirements (testing previously analyzed specimens).*

Data Collection

Technologists will access a series of online, whole slide images to assess their ability to perform cell differentials on Wright-stained body fluids and to identify miscellaneous cells and inclusions in cytocentrifuged preparations using their own kit and result form. Participants will provide additional information about their competency assessment programs, continuing education, and professional background. Information will be collected from each site regarding their institution's minimum continuing education programs and requirements for their technologists in who review body fluids, and relevant procedures and policies related to body fluid review assessment.

Information will be collected from each site regarding their institution's minimum continuing education requirements for their technologists in hematology and relevant procedures and policies related to body fluid slide review.

Performance Indicators

- Individual technologist score based on a standardized competency assessment method to determine a technologist's ability to identify various white blood cell types, microorganisms, and other cells and inclusions present in normal and abnormal cases
- Overall laboratory score based on the facility's individual technologist performance(s)

Your Reports - What to Expect

- A participant summary explaining the grading criteria for each case and how to read the reports
- An institution report with your facility's score summary with comparison to other institutions and a technologist score summary by case for each participant
- · An individual report for each participant listing their responses and score for each case
- A data analysis and critique with analysis of the institution and participant scores, author commentary about each case, and links to annotated slides

Program Information

To meet your technical staff morphology and competency assessment requirements:

- Result forms for up to 10 technologists (QPB10)
- Result forms for up to 25 technologists (QPB25)
- Multiple orders may be purchased to accommodate the quantity of technologist result forms needed.

*Participation in this study helps laboratories meet applicable requirements:

- CLIA personnel requirements (Subpart M, 42 CFR §493.1)
- CAP Laboratory Accreditation Program Checklist statements: HEM.35566, consistency of morphologic observation among personnel performing body fluid cell differentials at least annually; GEN.55500, Competency Assessment of Testing Personnel (element 5); GEN.55525, Performance Assessment of Supervisors/Consultants; DRA.11425, functions or responsibilities are properly performed by a qualified individual
- The Joint Commission Standards HR.01.05.03, 01.06.01 (EPs 3, 18,19), HR.01.07.01, Pl.03.01.01(EPs 3-5), and LD.04.05.01, 04.05.03 (EPs 1-6) regarding in-service training, continuing education, competency, and evaluation of staff members

This is a one-time study conducted in the second quarter.

Assessment of Consistency of Peripheral Blood Morphologic Observations QPC10/QPC25

Introduction

The widespread use of automated white blood cell (WBC) differential counts and computer-generated whole slide imaging has decreased the time that the medical laboratory scientist/technologist staff dedicate to morphological assessment of blood cells. However, these staff must maintain their morphological skills. Laboratories have an annual requirement to do a morphologic comparison of their technical staff's peripheral blood smear results, assess their competency on peripheral blood smears, and provide appropriate education.

Objectives

This study will help assess the effectiveness of educational and practical experience policies and procedures dedicated to the laboratory's efforts in maintaining technologist skills in the performance of accurate WBC differential counts and other peripheral blood smear morphological assessments. The evaluation provided will assist in the construction of individual educational programs for the technical staff and show areas that need focused review and improvement. The study will help management meet applicable CLIA, CAP Laboratory Accreditation Program, and The Joint Commission laboratory requirements for consistency of reporting morphology among staff and personnel competency requirements (testing previously analyzed specimens).*

Data Collection

A series of online, whole slide images of Wright or Wright-Giemsa-stained peripheral blood smears using DigitalScope® technology will be available to each participating institution to assess technologists' performance on WBC differential counts and morphology assessment. Each technologist will receive their own kit. Technologists will provide information about their continuing education and professional background. Information will be collected from each site regarding their institution's minimum continuing education requirements for their technologists in hematology and relevant procedures and policies related to peripheral blood smear assessment.

Performance Indicators

- Individual technologist score based on a standardized competency assessment method to determine a technologist's ability to identify various WBC types, red blood cell morphology, and platelet morphology in normal and abnormal cases
- Overall laboratory score based on the facility's individual technologist performance(s)

Your Reports - What to Expect

- · A participant summary explaining the grading criteria for each case and how to read the reports
- An institution report with your facility's score summary with comparison to other institutions and a technologist score summary by case for each participant
- An individual report for each participant listing their responses and score for each case
- A data analysis and critique report with analysis of the institution and participant scores, author commentary about each
 case, and links to annotated slides

Program Information

To meet your staff comparative morphology and technical competency assessment requirements:

- Result forms for up to 10 technologists (QPC10)
- Result forms for up to 25 technologists (QPC25)
- Multiple orders may be purchased to accommodate the quantity of technologist result forms needed.

Preliminary study reports are provided at institution and technologist levels.

*Participation in this study helps laboratories meet applicable requirements:

- CLIA personnel requirements (Subpart M, 42 CFR §493.1)
- CAP Laboratory Accreditation Program Checklist statements: HEM.34400, consistency of morphologic observation among personnel
 performing blood cell microscopy at least annually; GEN.55500, element 5, Competency Assessment of Testing Personnel; GEN.55525,
 Performance Assessment of Supervisors/Consultants; DRA.11425, functions or responsibilities are properly performed
 by a qualified individual
- The Joint Commission Standards HR.01.05.03, 01.06.01 (EPs 3, 18,19), HR.01.07.01, Pl.03.01.01(EPs 3-5), and LD.04.05.01, 04.05.03 (EPs 1-6) regarding in-service training, continuing education, competency, and evaluation of staff members.

This is a one-time study conducted in the third quarter.

Assessment of Consistency of Gram Stain Morphologic Observations QPD10/QPD25

Introduction

Gram stain is a commonly performed bacterial stain in clinical microbiology laboratories. It is often the starting point guiding microbiological workup and initial clinical diagnosis and therapy. It is important for medical laboratory scientist/technologist staff who read Gram stains to provide an accurate interpretation based on reaction type and microscopic morphology, in order to provide presumptive identifications and quantification of bacteria and fungi in clinical specimens.

Objectives

This study will help assess the effectiveness of educational and practical experience policies and procedures dedicated to the laboratory's efforts in maintaining technologist skills in the morphological assessment of Gram stains. Participation in this study will help management assess the technologist's ability to evaluate Gram stains using online, whole slide images. These cases provide a standardized review and evaluation for each technologist. The study will help management meet applicable CLIA, CAP Laboratory Accreditation Program, and The Joint Commission laboratory requirements for morphology consistency of reporting among staff and personnel competency requirements (testing previously analyzed specimens).*

Data Collection

A series of online, whole slide images of Gram-stained smears using DigitalScope technology will be provided to each participating institution to assess technologists' ability to detect various microorganisms. Technologists will provide information about their work experience related to Gram stains, continuing education, and professional background. Information will be collected from each laboratory site about their continuing education requirements in microbiology and relevant laboratory procedures and policies related to Gram stain assessment. Each technologist will receive their own kit and result form.

Performance Indicators

- Individual technologist score for each Gram stain case, and overall based on a standardized competency assessment method
- Overall laboratory score based on the facility's individual technologist performance(s)

Your Reports - What to Expect

- · A participant summary explaining the grading criteria for each case and how to read the reports
- An institution report with your facility's score summary with comparison to other institutions and a technologist score summary by case for each participant
- · An individual report for each participant listing their responses and score for each case
- A data analysis and critique report with analysis of the institution and participant scores, author commentary about each
 case, and links to annotated slides

Program Information

To meet your staff comparative morphology and technical competency assessment requirements:

- Result forms for up to 10 technologists (QPD10)
- · Result forms for up to 25 technologists (QPD25)
- Multiple orders may be purchased to accommodate the quantity of technologist result forms needed.

Preliminary study reports are provided at institution and technologist levels.

*Participation in this study helps laboratories meet:

- CLIA personnel requirements (Subpart M, 42 CFR §493.1)
- CAP Laboratory Accreditation Program Microbiology Checklist statements: MIC.11060, Culture Result Reporting, personnel performing
 Gram stains for this purpose are subject to competency assessment; MIC.11350, Morphologic Observation Evaluation, the laboratory
 evaluates consistency of morphologic observation among personnel performing microscopic analysis (eg, stains, wet preparations) from
 direct specimens and cultured organisms at least annually. The laboratory director or designee must determine acceptability criteria
 for agreement.
- CAP Laboratory Accreditation Program Checklist items: GEN.55500, element 5, Competency Assessment of Testing Personnel; GEN.55525, Performance Assessment of Supervisors/Consultants; DRA.11425, functions or responsibilities are properly performed by a qualified individual.
- The Joint Commission Standards HR.01.05.03, 01.06.01 (EPs 3, 18,19), HR.01.07.01, Pl.03.01.01(EPs 3-5), and LD.04.05.01, 04.05.03 (EPs 1-6) regarding in-service training, continuing education, competency, and evaluation of staff members

This is a one-time study conducted in the fourth quarter.

Continuous Quality Monitors

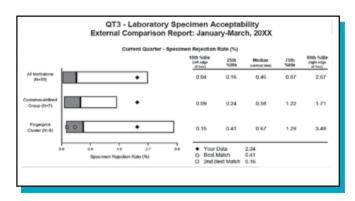
Use these programs to:

- · Identify and continuously monitor quality improvement over time.
- Measure the effectiveness and impact of implemented changes in key processes.

How It Works

Step 1:

Establish realistic benchmarks by comparing your laboratory to others like yours.



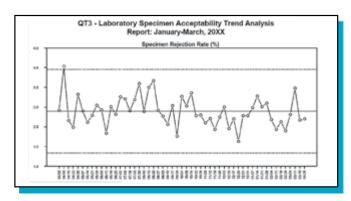
Step 2:

Identify improvement opportunities.



Step 3:

Monitor improvement over time to ensure accurate results, patient safety, and quality patient care.



The individual reports include performance of quality indicators over time, benchmarking information, trends, and suggested areas for improvement.

Participating laboratories receive:

- User Guide
- Templates and instructions for data collection
- · Quarterly reports that include fingerprint clusters, customer-defined groups, and all-institution comparisons
- Access to the Peer Directory, allowing you to connect with your counterparts enrolled in the same program

Blood Culture Contamination QT2

Despite advances in blood culture practices and technology, false-positive blood culture results due to contaminants continue to be a critical problem. Blood culture contamination rate, the primary indicator of preanalytic performance in microbiology, is associated with increased length of hospital stay, additional expense, and inappropriate antibiotic usage. The results of this study may contribute to report findings to hospital/system antibiotic stewardship programs.

The CAP and other accrediting organizations require you to monitor and evaluate key indicators of quality for improvement opportunities. Use this monitor to help meet CAP Laboratory Accreditation Program Checklist statements MIC.22630 and MIC.22635: "The laboratory must determine and regularly review the number of contaminated cultures. Tracking the contamination rate and providing feedback to units and persons drawing cultures is one method that has been shown to reduce contamination rates." This will also help laboratories meet The Joint Commission Standard QSA 04.07.01 EP 3.

Objective

This study will determine the rate of blood culture contamination using standardized criteria for classifying contaminants.

Data Collection

On a monthly basis, participants will tabulate the total number of blood cultures processed and the total number of contaminated blood cultures. Blood cultures from neonatal patients are tabulated separately. For the purposes of this study, participants will consider a blood culture to be contaminated if they find one or more of the following organisms in only one of a series of blood culture specimens: Aerococcus spp., Bacillus spp. (excluding Bacillus anthracis) and related genera, Corynebacterium spp. and related Coryneform genera, Cutibacterium spp. or Propionibacterium spp., Micrococcus spp. and related genera; Rothia mucilaginosa, Coagulase-negative staphylococci, and Streptococcus spp. (viridans group only). Participants have the option to monitor institution-specific subgroups (for example, a specific department or patient population).

Performance Indicators

- Neonatal contamination rate (%)
- Other contamination rate (%)
- Overall contamination rate (%)

Laboratory Specimen Acceptability QT3

A substantial amount of rework, diagnostic and therapeutic delay, and patient inconvenience can result from specimen rejection. Patient redraws may result from unlabeled, mislabeled, and incompletely labeled specimens; clotted and/or hemolyzed specimens; or insufficient specimen quantity. By continuously monitoring specimen acceptability, collection, and transport, laboratories can promptly identify and correct problems. Enrollment in this study may assist the laboratory in monitoring compliance with CAP Laboratory Accreditation Program General Checklist statement GEN.40825: "There is a system to positively identify all patient specimens, specimen types, and aliquots at all times." The Joint Commission Standard Pl.01.01.01, EP 17, is applicable: "The laboratory collects data to monitor its performance" including "processes or outcomes related to handling specimens, including specimen collection, labeling, preservation, transportation, and rejection.

Objective

This study will identify and characterize unacceptable blood specimens that are submitted to the chemistry and hematology/coagulation sections of the clinical laboratory for testing.

Data Collection

This monitor includes all blood specimens submitted for testing to the chemistry and hematology departments of the clinical laboratory. On a weekly basis, participants will record the total number of specimens received, the number of rejected specimens, and the primary reason each specimen was rejected.

Performance Indicator

• Specimen rejection rate (%)

Performance Breakdown

• Breakdown of reasons for rejection (%)

Look in e-LAB Solutions Suite for your input forms approximately two weeks before the start of the next quarter.

In-Date Blood Product Wastage QT4

Blood for transfusion is a precious resource. At a minimum, wastage of blood that is not out-of-date represents a financial loss to the health care system. More ominously, systemic wastage of blood may reflect an environment of care that is out of control and may pose risks to patient safety.

Enrollment in this program assists laboratories in meeting regulatory requirements as follows:

- CAP Laboratory Accreditation Program Checklist statements TRM.40875, which requires the transfusion service medical
 director to monitor and audit transfusion practices to ensure the appropriate use of blood; TRM.30800, Disposition
 Records; and TRM.32275, Component Records, regarding recording the use of each blood or component product from
 receipt to final disposition.
- The Joint Commission Standards QSA.05.02.01, adequate blood and blood components; QSA.05.03.03, requirements for
 policies and procedures for returning unused blood products to blood transfusion services; and QSA.05.22.01, records of
 blood product disposition.
- AABB Standards for Blood Banks and Transfusion Services assessment 8.2, which requires transfusing facilities to have a peer-review program that monitors transfusion practices for blood components.

Objective

This study will compare the rates of blood product wastage (ie, units discarded in-date) in participating hospitals and track rates of improvement over time.

Data Collection

On a monthly basis, participants will use blood bank records to obtain information on the total number of units transfused for each type of blood component. Participants will track the number and type of blood units that are wasted in-date and the circumstances of wastage. This monitor includes the following types of blood components: whole blood (allogeneic), red blood cells (allogeneic), frozen plasma, platelet concentrates, single donor platelets, and cryoprecipitate.

Performance Indicators

• Overall blood wastage rate (%)

• Wastage rates by blood component type (%)

Performance Breakdown

• Breakdown of circumstances of wastage (%)

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Satisfaction With Outpatient Specimen Collection QT7

Specimen collection is one of the few areas of laboratory medicine that involves direct outpatient contact. As a result, patient satisfaction with this service is a vital indicator of quality laboratory performance. The CAP's Laboratory Accreditation Program requires measurement of patient satisfaction with laboratory services (Checklist statement GEN.20335). The Joint Commission Standard PI.01.01.01, EP 14 is applicable: "The laboratory collects data on the following: Patient perception of the safety and quality of laboratory services." Use this monitor to help meet this requirement.

Objective

This study will assess patient satisfaction with outpatient phlebotomy services by measuring patients' assessments of laboratory service hours, waiting time, comfort level, professionalism and courtesy, and privacy.

Data Collection

On a monthly basis, participants will provide copies of a standardized questionnaire in English and Spanish to a minimum of 25 outpatients (maximum of 99 outpatients) using predetermined data collection criteria. This monitor includes any outpatient undergoing venipuncture. It excludes patients seen in the emergency department, ambulatory surgery area, urgent care facility, chest pain center, 23-hour short-stay facility, employee health department, outpatient health screening fair/promotion, dialysis center, nursing home, or extended care facility.

Performance Indicators

- Satisfaction scores and satisfaction rates (% of patients rating 4 or 5) for the following categories:
 - o Overall experience
 - o Waiting time
 - o Patient comfort

- o Professionalism and courtesy
- o Patient privacy
- Laboratory hours of operation

Stat Test Turnaround Time Outliers QT8

The stat test turnaround time (TAT) outlier rate, expressed as a percentage of tests missing target reporting times, is a measure of outcomes that evaluates how well the laboratory meets patient and clinician needs. This monitor helps meet CAP Laboratory Accreditation Program Checklist statement GEN.20316: "The QM program includes monitoring key indicators of quality in the preanalytic, analytic, and postanalytic phases."

Objective

This study will monitor the frequency that stat test TAT intervals exceed institutional stat test TAT expectations.

Data Collection

Before beginning data collection, participants will establish a specimen receipt-to-report deadline for emergency department (ED) stat potassium tests. On six predetermined days per month, participants will monitor the TAT of up to 10 randomly selected ED stat potassium tests on each of the three eight-hour shifts (up to 180 tests per month) and track the number of ED stat potassium results reported later than the established reporting deadline. This monitor includes stat potassium tests ordered as part of a panel and excludes stat potassium levels that are requested on body fluids other than blood, as part of timed or protocol studies, or after the specimen arrives in the laboratory.

Performance Indicator

• Stat test TAT outlier rate (%)

Performance Breakdowns

- Breakdown of outliers by shift (%)
- Breakdown of outliers by day of week (%)

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Critical Values Reporting QT10

Laboratories commonly refer to critical values as results requiring immediate notification to the physician or caregiver for necessary patient evaluation or treatment. Regulations from agencies and accreditors such as the CMS, The Joint Commission (National Patient Safety Goal NPSG.02.03.01 and DC.02.01.01, reporting patient results, including ...the process for reporting imminent life-threatening results, or panic or alert values), and the CAP Laboratory Accreditation Program (Checklist statement GEN.20316, COM.30000, COM.30100) mandate that laboratories develop and implement an alert system for critical values. Use this monitor to document compliance with your laboratory's alert plan.

Objective

This study will evaluate the documentation of successful critical values reporting in the general laboratory for inpatients and outpatients.

Data Collection

On a monthly basis, participants will evaluate 120 inpatient and 120 outpatient critical values. Data collection will include general chemistry, hematology, and coagulation analytes on the critical values list. Retrospectively, participants will record the total number of critical values monitored and the number with documentation of successful notification. In addition, participants will provide the number of critical values that were not communicated within three hours, the number of failed notifications due to laboratory oversight, and the number of successful notifications to licensed caregivers. This monitor will exclude critical values for cardiac markers, drugs of abuse, therapeutic drug levels, urinalysis, blood gases, point-of-care tests, and tests performed at reference laboratories.

Performance Indicators

- Total critical values reporting rate (%)
- Inpatient critical values reporting rate (%)
- Outpatient critical values reporting rate (%)
- Failed notification (< 3 hours) rate (%)

Corrected Results QT16

The CAP developed this monitor in recognition of the importance of timely detection and correction of erroneous laboratory results. Accuracy in laboratory results is critical to the effectiveness of a physician's plan of care for a patient. An erroneous result can delay or alter patient treatment; therefore, detection of erroneous results should be a priority in every laboratory and should be monitored as a key quality indicator. Use this monitor to help measure your compliance with CLIA 493.1299, Postanalytic Systems Quality Assessment, and help meet CAP Laboratory Accreditation Program Checklist statements GEN.20316, 41310, 41312, and The Joint Commission Standard 02.12.01, Elements of Performance 9 and 10.

Objective

This study will monitor the number of corrected test results within individual institutions and compare performance with that of all institutions and those institutions similar to yours.

Data Collection

On a monthly basis, participants will monitor the number of corrected test results and the total number of billable tests for that month. Include test results for all patients in all care settings with the following exclusions: anatomic pathology tests, narrative physician-interpreted tests (eg, bone marrow biopsies and peripheral smear reports), and point-of-care tests.

Performance Indicator

• Test result correction rate (per 10,000 billable tests)

Outpatient Order Entry Errors QT17

Order accuracy bears an obvious relationship to the quality of laboratory testing. When the laboratory fails to complete a requested test, it delays the diagnostic evaluation, consumes unnecessary resources, causes patient inconvenience, and may prolong therapy. When the laboratory completes a test that was not requested, the cost of care increases, patients may be subjected to unnecessary phlebotomy, and laboratory efficiency declines. Use this monitor to help meet CAP Laboratory Accreditation Program Checklist statements GEN.20316, 40700, 40725, 40750 for test order and related information accuracy, and The Joint Commission Standard DC.01.02.01: The laboratory performs testing based on written laboratory test orders.

Objective

This study will measure the incidence of incorrectly interpreted and entered outpatient physician test orders into the laboratory information system, compare performance across institutions, and track performance over time.

Data Collection

On six preselected weekdays per month, participants will compare eight outpatient requisitions or order sheets to the orders entered into the laboratory's information system to determine if any order entry errors occurred.

This monitor includes test order review from ambulatory outpatients seen in offices and clinics operated by laboratory services, private physician offices, nursing homes, extended care facilities, and free-standing phlebotomy areas. Also included are send-out tests, chemistry, hematology, microbiology, immunology, toxicology, and urinalysis tests on outpatients. Order entry error categories include requesting physician errors, incorrect and extra test orders, missing test orders and diagnosis codes, test priority errors, and copy or fax result errors.

This monitor excludes tests performed in transfusion medicine or anatomic pathology, and also excludes tests from the following patient care settings: inpatient, emergency department, ambulatory surgery, urgent care, chest pain center, 23-hour short-stay facility, employee health department, outpatient screening fair/promotion, and dialysis center.

Performance Indicators

- Overall outpatient order entry error rate (%)
- Order entry error rates by type (%)

Performance Breakdown

• Breakdown of error types (%)

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Quality Cross Check



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Program Changes

Fibrin(ogen) Degradation Products, Serum has been removed from	
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Discontinued Programs

Quality Cross Check—Activated Clotting Time (CTQ)
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Quality Cross Check is a convenient solution to monitor instrument performance and assess comparability across multiple instruments in your laboratory and to identify potential issues before they affect patient results.

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- Report up to three instruments for each challenge (and report up to 30 instruments for Quality Cross Check—Whole Blood Glucose).
- Receive a custom report package that includes peer group comparison and instrument comparability statistics for each reported analyte.

Stay in Compliance

In August 2015, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) reiterated that laboratories are not permitted to test proficiency testing (PT) samples on multiple instruments unless that is how the laboratory tests patient specimens.

The CMS interpretation was expanded beyond regulated analytes to include analytes not listed in Subpart I of the Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments regulations, including waived methods.

Quality Cross Check complements your existing CAP programs to monitor multiple instrument performance and is compliant with the CMS directive.

Monitoring Performance of Glucose Meters

Beginning in 2017, PT for waived whole blood glucose on glucose meters was no longer required for laboratories accredited by the CAP. Laboratories are required to perform alternative performance assessment.

In response to this change, the CAP introduced the Quality Cross Check—Whole Blood Glucose program (WBGQ). Participants in this program will enjoy the benefits of Quality Cross Check and have the ability to report up to 30 instruments for each challenge.

General Chemistry and Therapeutic Drug Monitoring

Quality Cross Check—Chemistry and Therapeutic Drug Monitoring CZQ					
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipment					
CZQ					
See program CZ analytes on pages 54–56	ı	3			

This program does not meet regulatory requirements for proficiency testing; see program CZ on pages 54–56. For additional information about the Quality Cross Check program, see page 36.

Quality Cross Check—B-type Natriuretic Peptides BNPQ					
Analyte	Program Code Challenges per Shipment				
	BNPQ				
BNP	I	3			
NT-proBNP	I	3			

This program does not meet regulatory requirements for proficiency testing; see program BNP5 on page 60. For additional information about the Quality Cross Check program, see page 36.

Quality Cross Check—Whole Blood Glucose WBGQ				
Analyte	Program Code Challenges per Ship			
	WBGQ			
Glucose	I	3		

The CAP Accreditation Programs require all accredited laboratories performing waived whole blood glucose testing using glucose meters to perform alternative performance assessment. This program can be used to meet alternative performance assessment requirements.

Program Information

- Three 5.0-mL liquid serum specimens in duplicate
- Report up to three instruments.
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- Two shipments per year

Program Information

- Three 1.5-mL liquid specimens
- Report up to three instruments.
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- · Two shipments per year

- Three 2.0-mL whole blood specimens
- Report up to 30 instruments.
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- · Two shipments per year



Quality Cross Check—Body Fluid Chemistry FLDQ Analyte **Program Code** Challenges per Shipment **FLDQ** 3 Albumin 3 Amylase 1 CA19-9 1 Carcinoembryonic antigen (CEA) 3 Cholesterol 3 Creatinine Glucose 3 Lactate 3 3 Lactate dehydrogenase (LD) 3 рΗ Protein, total 3 Triglycerides 3 Urea nitrogen

This program does not meet regulatory requirements for proficiency testing; see program FLD on page 71. For additional information about the Quality Cross Check program, see page 36.

Quality Cross Check—Hemoglobin A1c GHQ			
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment	
	GHQ		
Hemoglobin A1c	I	3	

This program does not meet regulatory requirements for proficiency testing; see program GH5 on page 62. For additional information about the Quality Cross Check program, see page 36.

Quality Cross Check—Cardiac Markers CRTQ			
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment	
	CRTQ		
CK-MB, immunochemical		3	
Myoglobin		3	
Troponin I		3	

This program does not meet regulatory requirements for proficiency testing; see program CRT on page 60. For additional information about the Quality Cross Check program, see page 36.

Program Information

- Three 3.0-mL simulated liquid body fluid specimens in duplicate
- Report up to three instruments.
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- Two shipments per year

Program Information

- Three 0.8-mL previously frozen liquid specimens in triplicate
- Report up to three instruments.
- Two shipments per year

- Three 2.0-mL liquid serum specimens
- Report up to three instruments.
- Two shipments per year

Quality Cross Check—High-Sensitivity Cardiac Markers HCRQ					
Analyte/Procedure Program Code Challenges per Shipm					
HCRQ					
CK-MB, immunochemical	I	3			
Myoglobin	I	3			
High-sensitivity troponin I	I	3			
High-sensitivity troponin T	I	3			

This program does not meet regulatory requirements for proficiency testing; see program HCRT on page 60. For additional information about the Quality Cross Check program, see page 36.

Program Information

- Three 2.0-mL liquid specimens
- Report up to three instruments.
- Two shipments per year

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Endocrinology

Quality Cross Check-	–Parathyroid Ho	rmone PTHQ
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment
	PTHQ	
Parathyroid hormone (PTH)	I	3

This program does not meet regulatory requirements for proficiency testing; see program PTH on page 85. For additional information about the Quality Cross Check program, see page 36.

- Three 2.0-mL lyophilized serum specimens in duplicate
- Report up to three instruments.
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- Two shipments per year

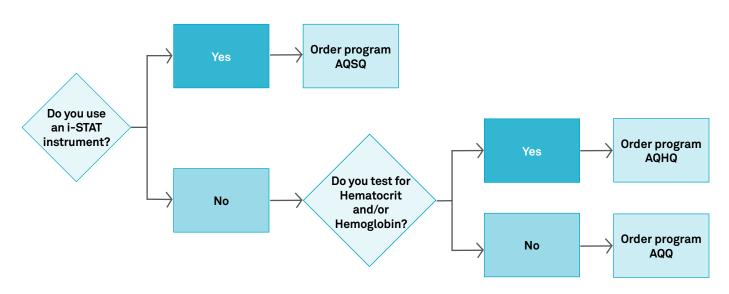
Blood Gas, Critical Care, and Oximetry

Quality Cross Check—Critical Care Blood Gas AQQ, AQHQ, AQSQ				
Analyte	F	Program Cod	le	Challenges per Shipment
	AQQ	AQHQ	AQSQ	
Calcium, ionized	ı	•		3
Chloride	•	•		3
Creatinine	•	•		3
Glucose	1	ı		3
Hematocrit		ı		3
Hemoglobin, estimated				3
Lactate	1	ı		3
Magnesium, ionized	ı	ı		3
pCO ₂	1	ı		3
рН	1	ı		3
pO ₂	ı	ı		3
Potassium	1	ı		3
Sodium	ı	ı		3
tCO ₂ (measured)				3
Urea nitrogen (BUN)	ı	ı		3

Additional Information

- It is not appropriate to report hemoglobin and hematocrit results by co-oximetry in these programs.
- These programs do not meet regulatory requirements for proficiency testing; see programs AQ, AQH, and AQIS on pages 90–91. For additional information about the Quality Cross Check program, see page 36.

- AQQ Three 2.5-mL specimens in triplicate; appropriate for all methods except i-STAT
- AQHQ Three 2.5-mL specimens in triplicate and three 2.5-mL specimens for hematocrit testing in triplicate; appropriate for all methods except i-STAT
- AQSQ Three 1.7-mL specimens in triplicate for i-STAT methods only
- Report up to three instruments.
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- · Two shipments per year



Quality Cross Check—Blood Oximetry SOQ			
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment	
	SOQ		
Carboxyhemoglobin		3	
Hematocrit, estimated		3	
Hemoglobin, total		3	
Methemoglobin	I	3	
Oxyhemoglobin	I	3	

This program does not meet regulatory requirements for proficiency testing; see program SO on page 93. For additional information about the Quality Cross Check program, see page 36.

Program Information

- Three 1.2-mL liquid specimens in triplicate
- Report up to three instruments.
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- Two shipments per year

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Hematology and Clinical Microscopy

Quality Cross Check—Hematology FH3Q, FH9Q, FH13Q				
Analyte/Procedure	Program Code Challenges per Shipment			
	FH3Q	FH9Q	FH13Q	
Hematocrit				3
Hemoglobin	ı			3
Immature granulocyte (IG)		ı		3
Immature platelet fraction (IPF)%		ı		3
MCV, MCH, MCHC	ı			3
MPV	ı	1	ı	3
Nucleated red blood cell (nRBC) count	1	•		3
Platelet count	ı			3
RDW	ı	1	1	3
Red blood cell (RBC) count	ı	•	ı	3
White blood cell (WBC) differential	ı	1		3
WBC count	I	ı	ı	3

These programs do not meet regulatory requirements for proficiency testing; see the FH Series on page 138. For additional information about the Quality Cross Check program, see page 36.

- FH3Q, FH9Q, FH13Q -Three 2.5-mL whole blood specimens in vials with pierceable caps
- · Report up to three instruments.
- · For method compatibility, see instrument matrix on page 139.
- · Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- Two shipments per year

Quality Cross Check—Reticulocyte RTQ, RT3Q, RT4Q Challenges per Instrument/Method **Program Code** Shipment RT4Q RTQ RT3Q Abbott Alinity hq, Abbott Cell-Dyn 4000, Sapphire, Siemens ADVIA 3 120/2120, and all other automated and manual methods Beckman Coulter, LH 500, LH 700 3 series, UniCel DxH series Mindray BC 760 CS, Sysmex XE-2100, XE-2100C, XE-2100D, XE-2100DC, XE-2100L, XE-5000, XN-L series, 3 XN-series (includes RL App), XR-series, XT-2000i, XT-4000i

These programs do not meet regulatory requirements for proficiency testing; see the RT Series on page 143. For additional information about the Quality Cross Check program, see page 36.

Quality Cross Check—Urinalysis CMQ			
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment	
	CMQ		
Bilirubin		3	
Blood or hemoglobin		3	
Glucose		3	
Human chorionic gonadotropin (hCG) urine, qualitative		3	
Ketones		3	
Leukocyte esterase		3	
Nitrite		3	
Osmolality		3	
рН		3	
Protein, qualitative		3	
Reducing substances		3	
Specific gravity		3	
Urobilinogen		3	

This program does not meet regulatory requirements for proficiency testing; see programs CMP and CMP1 on page 150. For additional information about the Quality Cross Check program, see page 36.

Program Information

- RTQ Three 1.0-mL stabilized red blood cell (RBC) specimens
- RT3Q, RT4Q Three 3.0-mL stabilized RBC specimens
- Includes percentage and absolute result reporting
- Report up to three instruments.
- Two shipments per year

- Three 10.0-mL liquid urine specimens for use with all instruments
- Report up to three instruments.
- Two shipments per year

Quality Cross Check—Occult Blood OCBQ							
Analyte	Program Code Challenges per Shipment						
	OCBQ						
Occult blood		3					

This program does not meet regulatory requirements for proficiency testing; see program OCB on page 157. For additional information about the Quality Cross Check program, see page 36.

Program Information

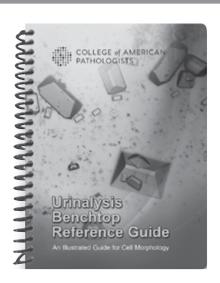
- Three 2.0-mL simulated fecal specimens
- Report up to three instruments.
- Two shipments per year

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Coagulation

Quality Cross Check-	-Coagulation CGL	Q
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment
	CGLQ	
Activated partial thromboplastin time	ı	3
Fibrinogen	ı	3
Prothrombin time	ı	3
D-dimer D-dimer	ı	2
Fibrin(ogen) degradation products, plasma	ı	1

This program does not meet regulatory requirements for proficiency testing; see program CGL on page 164. For additional information about the Quality Cross Check program, see page 36.

Program Information

- Three 1.0-mL lyophilized plasma specimens in triplicate and two 1.0-mL lyophilized plasma specimens
- Report up to three instruments.
- Two shipments per year

Quality Cross Check— Activated Clotting Time Series CT1Q, CT2Q, CT3Q, CT5Q

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Instrument/Cartridge		Progra	Challenges per Shipment		
	CT1Q	CT2Q	CT3Q	CT5Q	
IL GEM Hemochron 100/ACT+					3
IL GEM Hemochron 100/ACT-LR					3
IL Hemochron Signature Elite/Hemochron Jr./ACT+					3
IL Hemochron Signature Elite/Hemochron Jr./ACT-LR					3
i-STAT Celite® and Kaolin ACT				I	3
Medtronic Hemotec ACT/ACTII/ACT Plus® HR-ACT					3
Medtronic Hemotec ACT/ACTII/ACT Plus LR-ACT					3
Medtronic Hemotec ACT/ACTII/ACT Plus R-ACT					3
Medtronic Hepcon HMS Plus					3

These programs do not meet regulatory requirements for proficiency testing; see programs CT1, CT3, and CT5 on page 168. For additional information about the Quality Cross Check program, see page 36.

- CT1Q Three 1.7-mL lyophilized whole blood specimens in triplicate with corresponding diluents
- CT2Q Three 0.5-mL lyophilized whole blood/ diluent ampules in triplicate
- CT3Q Three 0.5-mL lyophilized whole blood/ diluent ampules in triplicate
- CT5Q Three 1.7-mL lyophilized whole blood specimens in triplicate with corresponding diluents
- Report up to three instruments.
- Two shipments per year

Microbiology

Quality Cross Check—SARS-CoV-2 Molecular COV2Q							
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment					
	COV2Q						
SARS-CoV-2	I	3					

This program does not meet regulatory requirements for proficiency testing; see program COV2 on page 201. For additional information about the Quality Cross Check program, see page 36.

Program Information

- Three 3.2-mL non-infectious liquid specimens that contain the whole SARS-CoV-2 genome
- Designed for molecular techniques
- Report up to three instruments.
- Two shipments per year

Quality Cross Check—	-SARS-CoV-2 An	tigen COVAQ
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment
	COVAQ	
SARS-CoV-2 antigen	I	3

This program does not meet regulatory requirements for proficiency testing; see program COVAG on page 202. For additional information about the Quality Cross Check program, see page 36.

Program Information

- Three 0.5-mL simulated respiratory specimens in triplicate
- Report up to three instruments.
- · Two shipments per year

Quality Cross Check—Nucleic Acid Amplification, Respiratory Limited ID3Q Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipment ID3Q Influenza A virus I 3 Influenza B virus I 3 Respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) I 3 SARS-CoV-2 I 3

Additional Information

- This program does not contain human genome material or sequences from human RNase P gene.
- This program does not meet regulatory requirements for proficiency testing; see program ID3 on page 203. For additional information about the Quality Cross Check program, see page 36.

- Three 1.0-mL liquid specimens
- Designed for molecular multiplex panel users
- Report up to three instruments.
- Two shipments per year

Transfusion Medicine

Quality Cross Check—Transfusion Medicine JATQ						
Procedure	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment				
	JATQ					
ABO grouping	I	3				
Antibody detection	I	3				
Rh typing	I	3				

This program does not meet regulatory requirements for proficiency testing; see program JAT on page 235. For additional information about the Quality Cross Check program, see page 36.

Program Information

- Three 6.0-mL 13%-17% whole blood specimens
- May be used with automated and manual procedures
- · Two shipments per year

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Expected results will be provided. These programs are not proficiency testing programs, and participants will not return results to the CAP.

POC Competency Challenges have limited availability and stability. These programs must be purchased by May 1.

POC Competency Challenges POC1, POC2, POC3, POC4						
Program Name	Program Code Challenges pe Shipment					
	POC1	POC2	POC3	POC4		
Human chorionic gonadotropin (hCG) Competency	•				10	
Glucose Competency					10	
Urine Dipstick Competency			I		10	
Strep Screen Competency					10	

Program Information

- POC1 One positive 10.0-mL liquid urine specimen
- POC2 One abnormal 2.0-mL whole blood specimen
- POC3 One abnormal 10.0-mL liquid urine specimen
- POC4 One 1.0-mL positive liquid specimen
- Each program provides material to test up to 10 staff.

POC Competency Challenges POC6, POC7, POC8, POC9						
Program Name	Program Code				Challenges per Shipment	
	POC6	POC7	POC8	POC9		
PT/INR, Roche CoaguChek Pro II, XS Plus, and XS Pro Competency					10	
Waived Chemistry, Glucose, and Hemoglobin Competency					10	
Influenza A/B Antigen Detection Competency					10	
Fecal Occult Blood Competency					10	

- POC6 One abnormal 0.3-mL lyophilized plasma specimen (five vials) and five corresponding diluents
- POC7 One abnormal 1.5-mL whole blood specimen compatible with the HemoCue® B, HemoCue 201, and Stanbio HemoPoint® H2 instruments
- POC8 One 1.5-mL positive liquid specimen for influenza A; one 1.5-mL positive liquid specimen for influenza B
- POC9 One positive 2.0-mL fecal specimen
- Each program provides material to test up to 10 staff.

POC Competency Challenges POC10, POC11, POC12						
Program Name	Program Code Challenges per Shipment					
	P0C10	POC11	POC12			
Blood Gases Competency				10		
Blood Gases, i-STAT Competency		ı		10		
Point-of-Care Cardiac Markers Competency				10		

Program Information

- POC10 One abnormal 2.5-mL aqueous blood gas specimen (10 vials) and one 2.5-mL hematocrit/ hemoglobin specimen (10 vials)
- POC11 One abnormal 2.5-mL aqueous specimen (10 vials) for blood gas and hematocrit/hemoglobin testing
- POC12 One 1.5-mL plasma specimen (two vials); compatible with plasma-based tests, such as Alere Triage® and i-STAT instruments
- Each program provides material to test up to 10 staff.

POC Competency Challenges POC14, POC15						
Program Name	Progra	Challenges per Shipment				
	POC14	POC15				
Medtronic ACT/ACT Plus®, i-STAT Competency	•		5			
Hemochron® Jr., IL GEM PCL ACT-LR Competency		ı	5			

- POC14 Five abnormal 1.7-mL lyophilized whole blood specimens with five corresponding diluents and one calcium chloride diluent vial; compatible with Medtronic Hemotec ACT/ ACTII/ACT Plus, Medtronic Hepcon HMS/HMS Plus, and i-STAT Celine and Kaolin ACT
- POC15 Five abnormal 0.5-mL lyophilized whole blood/diluent ampules; compatible with IL GEM PCL Plus ACT-LR and ITC Hemochron Jr., Signature ACT-LR
- Each program provides material to test up to five staff.

Performance Analytics Dashboard: Bringing it all together



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General Chemistry and Therapeutic Drug Monitoring



CAP Accreditation: Focused on the laboratory

CAP laboratory accreditation gives you and your staff the confidence of knowing that your laboratory is providing the highest-quality results and better patient outcomes.

All Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) regulated analytes are listed in **bold** type.

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General Chemistry and Therapeutic Drug Monitoring

Analytes/procedures in **bold** type are regulated for proficiency testing by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS).

General Chemistry and Therapeutic Drugs C1. C3/C3X. C4. CZ/CZX/CZ2X. Z

Analyte	Program Code Challenges Shipmer					
	C1	C3/C3X	C4	CZ/CZX/ CZ2X	z	
Alanine aminotransferase (ALT/SGPT)	•	•		•		5
Albumin	ı			ı		5
Alkaline phosphatase	ı			I		5
Amylase	ı			ı		5
Aspartate aminotransferase (AST/SGOT)	ı					5
Bilirubin, direct	1	•		ı		5
Bilirubin, total*	1		ı	ı		5
Calcium	1		ı	ı		5
Chloride	ı		ı	I		5
Cholesterol, total	1		ı	ı		5
Cortisol	ı			ı		5
Creatine kinase (CK)	1			ı		5
Creatinine	ı			ı		5
Glucose	ı			ı		5
HDL cholesterol	ı			ı		5
Human chorionic gonadotropin (hCG), quantitative		•		1		5
Iron	ı			ı		5
Lactate dehydrogenase (LD)	ı			ı		5
LDL cholesterol, measured	ı			ı		5
Lipoprotein (a)	ı			ı		5
Magnesium	ı			ı		5
Pancreatic amylase	ı	I		I		5
Potassium	ı			ı		5
Protein, total	ı			I		5
Sodium	ı			ı		5
Triiodothyronine (T3), free	ı			ı		5
Triiodothyronine (T3), total	ı			ı		5
T3, uptake and related tests	ı			ı		5

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- C1, C3, C4, CZ, Z Five 5.0-mL liquid serum specimens
- C3X, CZX Five 5.0-mL liquid serum specimens in duplicate
- CZ2X Five 5.0-mL liquid serum specimens in triplicate
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- · Three shipments per year
- For multiple instrument reporting options, see the Quality Cross Check program, CZQ, on page 56.



^{*}General Chemistry and Therapeutic Drugs programs do not fulfill the neonatal bilirubin proficiency testing requirements for the CAP Laboratory Accreditation Programs. See programs NB, NB2, on page 64.

General Chemistry and Therapeutic Drugs C1, C3/C3X, C4, CZ/CZX/CZ2X, Z continued Challenges per Analyte **Program Code** Shipment CZ/CZX/ C1 C3/C3X Z C4 CZ2X 5 Thyroxine (T4), free Thyroxine (T4), total 5 Thyroid-stimulating 5 hormone (TSH) ı **Triglycerides** 5 Urea nitrogen (BUN) 5 Uric acid 5 Acid phosphatase Ī 5 ı 5 Ammonia Apolipoprotein A1 ı ı 5 ı ı 5 Apolipoprotein B 5 Calcium, ionized 5 Carbon dioxide (CO₂) ı **Ferritin** 5 ı 5 Gamma glutamyl transferase (GGT) Iron binding capacity, ı 5 total (measured) Iron binding capacity, ı 5 unsaturated (measured) Lactate ı 5 5 Lipase Osmolality Ī 5 **Phosphorus** 5 Prealbumin 5 Transferrin 5 ı Lithium 5 5 Acetaminophen ı Amikacin 5

Caffeine

Digoxin

Digoxin, free

Disopyramide

Carbamazepine

Carbamazepine, free

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Program Information

- C1, C3, C4, CZ, Z Five 5.0-mL liquid serum specimens
- C3X, CZX Five 5.0-mL liquid serum specimens in duplicate
- CZ2X Five 5.0-mL liquid serum specimens in triplicate
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- Three shipments per year
- For multiple instrument reporting options, see the Quality Cross Check program, CZQ, on page 56.



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Vancomycin

General Chemistry and Therapeutic Drugs C1, C3/C3X, C4, CZ/CZX/CZ2X, Z continued Challenges per **Program Code Analyte** Shipment CZ/CZX/ C1 C3/C3X Z C4 CZ2X Ethosuximide 5 Gentamicin 5 Lidocaine 5 Methotrexate 5 N-acetylprocainamide (NAPA) 5 Phenobarbital 5 Phenytoin 5 Phenytoin, free 5 Primidone ı 5 Procainamide 5 Quinidine 5 5 Salicylate 5 Theophylline 5 **Tobramycin** 5 Valproic acid П 5 ı Valproic acid, free ı

Program Information

- C1, C3, C4, CZ, Z Five 5.0-mL liquid serum specimens
- C3X, CZX Five 5.0-mL liquid serum specimens in duplicate
- CZ2X Five 5.0-mL liquid serum specimens in triplicate
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- Three shipments per year
- For multiple instrument reporting options, see the Quality Cross Check program, below.



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Quality Cross Check—Chemistry and Therapeutic Drug Monitoring CZQ Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipment CZQ See program CZ analytes on pages 54–56

This program does not meet regulatory requirements for proficiency testing; see program CZ on pages 54–56. For additional information about the Quality Cross Check program, see page 36.

- Three 5.0-mL liquid serum specimens in duplicate
- Report up to three instruments.
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- · Two shipments per year

Accuracy-Based Lipids ABL			
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment	
	ABL		
Apolipoprotein A1	I	3	
Apolipoprotein B	I	3	
Cholesterol	I	3	
HDL cholesterol	I	3	
Non-HDL cholesterol	I	3	
LDL cholesterol	I	3	
Lipoprotein(a)	I	3	
Triglycerides	I	3	

To meet CMS and CAP-accredited laboratory regulatory requirements for these analytes, see C programs pages 54–56.

Harmonized Thyroid ABTH						
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Ship						
	ABTH					
Triiodothyronine (T3), free		3				
Triiodothyronine (T3), total		3				
Thyroxine (T4), free		3				
Thyroxine (T4), total		3				
Thyroid-stimulating hormone (TSH)		3				

Additional Information

- Analytes will be evaluated using harmonization.
- Specimens are collected by a modified application of Clinical and Laboratory Standards Institute Guideline CLSI C37-A, Preparation and Validation of Commutable Frozen Human Serum Pools as Secondary Reference Materials for Cholesterol Measurement Procedures; Approved Guideline.
- To meet CMS and CAP-accredited laboratory regulatory requirements for these analytes, see C programs on pages 54–56 and K programs on page 82.

Thyroid Stimulating Hormone (TSH) Receptor Binding Antibody TSHR				
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shi				
TSHR				
TSH receptor binding antibody	3			

This program is not appropriate for use with TSI assays, which specifically detect thyroid stimulating antibodies.

Program Information

- Three 1.0-mL human serum specimens
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- Two shipments per year

Program Information

- Three 1.0-mL frozen human serum specimens
- · Two shipments per year

- Three 0.5-mL serum specimens
- · Two shipments per year

Thyroid Panel Calibration Verification/Linearity LN50					
Analyte Program Code					
	LN50	LN50 Target Ranges			
Triiodothyronine (T3), free	I	1.0-18.0 pg/mL			
Triiodothyronine (T3), total	0.4-7.0 ng/mL				
Thyroxine (T4), free	I	0.7–7.0 ng/dL			
Thyroxine (T4), total	I	1.0−27.0 µg/dL			
Thryoid-stimulating hormone (TSH) ■ 0.1–120.0 µIU/mI					

View your expedited linearity evaluations within two business days by logging into e-LAB Solutions Suite.

Program Information

- Eighteen 2.0-mL serum specimens
- Two shipments per year

CAP/ADLM Immunosuppressive Drugs CS				
nalyte Program Code Challenges per Sh				
	cs			
Cyclosporine		3		
Sirolimus (rapamycin)		3		
Tacrolimus		3		

Program Information

- Three 5.0-mL whole blood specimens
- For laboratories monitoring cyclosporine, sirolimus, and tacrolimus in transplant patients
- Two shipments per year



Antifungal Drugs Monitoring AFD				
Analyte	Program Code			
	AFD			
Fluconazole	1	3		
Itraconazole	I	3		
Posaconazole	I	3		
Voriconazole	I	3		

	Everolimus EV				
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Sh					
	EV				
Everolimus	1	3			

Program Information

- Three 2.0-mL serum specimens
- For laboratories performing quantitative analysis of antifungal agents
- Two shipments per year

- Three 4.0-mL whole blood specimens
- Two shipments per year

Mycopher	olic Acid MPA	
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment
	MPA	
Mycophenolic acid	ı	3

Program Information

- Three 5.0-mL lyophilized serum specimens
- Two shipments per year

Therapeutic Drug Monitoring—Extended ZE				
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment		
	ZE			
Clobazam NEW	I	3		
Clozapine	I	3		
Gabapentin	I	3		
Lacosamide	I	3		
Lamotrigine	I	3		
Levetiracetam	I	3		
Oxcarbazepine	I	3		
Oxcarbazepine metabolite	I	3		
Pregabalin	I	3		
Rufinamide	I	3		
Teriflunomide	I	3		
Topiramate	I	3		
Zonisamide	I	3		

Program Information

- Three 5.0-mL serum specimens
- Two shipments per year

Therapeutic Drug Monitoring—Special ZT				
Analyte Program Code Challenges				
	ZT			
Amitriptyline		3		
Desipramine		3		
Imipramine		3		
Nortriptyline		3		
Tricyclics, total (qualitative/ quantitative)	ı	3		

- Three 5.0-mL lyophilized serum specimens
- Two shipments per year

B-type Natriuretic Peptides BNP5				
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment		
	BNP5			
BNP		5		
NT-proBNP		5		

Additional Information

- For i-STAT, Quidel Triage, and Pathfast, use Point-of-Care Cardiac Markers programs PCARM or PCARMX.
- For second instrument reporting options, see the Quality Cross Check program, BNPQ, below.

Program Information

- Five 1.0-mL liquid plasma specimens
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- · Three shipments per year

Quality Cross Check—B-type Natriuretic Peptides BNPQ BNP ■ 3 NT-proBNP ■ 3

This program does not meet regulatory requirements for proficiency testing; see program BNP5 above. For additional information about the Quality Cross Check program, see page 36.

Cardiac Markers CRT, CRTI, HCRT, HCRTI					
Analyte		Program Code			Challenges per Shipment
	CRT	CRTI	HCRT	HCRTI	
CK-MB, immunochemical		ı			5
CK isoenzymes (CK-BB, CK-MB , CK-MM), electrophoretic					5
LD1, LD2, LD3, LD4, LD5, electrophoretic					5
LD1/LD2 ratio calculation and interpretation					5
Myoglobin		ı			2
Troponin I		ı			5
High-sensitivity troponin I					5
High-sensitivity troponin T				I	5

Program Information

- Three 1.5-mL liquid specimens
- Report up to three instruments.
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- · Two shipments per year

- CRT Five 2.0-mL liquid specimens
- CRTI Ten 2.0-mL liquid specimens
- HCRT Five 2.0-mL liquid specimens
- HCRTI Ten 2.0-mL liquid specimens
- Three shipments per year

Quality Cross Check—High-Sensitivity Cardiac Markers HCRQ			
Analyte/Procedure Program Code Challenges per Shipment			
	HCRQ		
CK-MB, immunochemical	I	3	
Myoglobin	I	3	
High-sensitivity troponin I	I	3	
High-sensitivity troponin T	I	3	

This program does not meet regulatory requirements for proficiency testing; see program HCRT, on page 60. For additional information about the Quality Cross Check program, see page 36.

Quality Cross Check—Cardiac Markers CRTQ		
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment
	CRTQ	
CK-MB, immunochemical		3
Myoglobin	I	3
Troponin I		3

This program does not meet regulatory requirements for proficiency testing; see program CRT, on page 60. For additional information about the Quality Cross Check program, see page 36.

Hemoglobin A1c, Waived Accuracy-Based GH2			
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipment			
GH2			
Hemoglobin A1c	I	3	

Additional Information

- This program will be evaluated against the National Glycohemoglobin Standardization Program (NGSP) reference method.
- For multiple instrument reporting options, see the Quality Cross Check program, GHQ, on page 62.
- This program has limited stability. Laboratories outside the US or Canada should consider purchasing GH5I, which has longer stability.

Program Information

- Three 2.0-mL liquid specimens
- Report up to three instruments.
- · Two shipments per year

Program Information

- Three 2.0-mL liquid serum specimens
- Report up to three instruments.
- · Two shipments per year

- Three 0.8-mL liquid human whole blood specimens
- · Two shipments per year
- Designed for waived methods

Hemoglobin A1c, Accuracy-Based GH5		
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipmen		
GH5		
Hemoglobin A1c	I	5

Additional Information

- This program will be evaluated against the National Glycohemoglobin Standardization Program (NGSP) reference method.
- For multiple instrument reporting options, see the Quality Cross Check program, GHQ, below.
- This program has limited stability. Laboratories outside the US or Canada should consider purchasing GH5I, which has longer stability.

Program Information

- Five 0.8-mL liquid human whole blood specimens
- · Three shipments per year

Quality Cross Check—Hemoglobin A1c GHQ			
Analyte	alyte Program Code Challenges per Shipm		
	GHQ		
Hemoglobin A1c	I	3	

This program does not meet regulatory requirements for proficiency testing; see program GH5, above. For additional information about the Quality Cross Check program, see page 36.

Hemoglobin A1c International		GH5I
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment
	GH5I	
Hemoglobin A1c	ı	5

This program will not be evaluated against the National Glycohemoglobin Standardization Program (NGSP) reference method. See program GH5, above, to be evaluated against the NGSP reference method.

Program Information

- Three 0.8-mL previously frozen liquid specimens in triplicate
- Report up to three instruments.
- Two shipments per year

Program Information

- Five 0.5-mL lyophilized specimens with a droppertipped vial of diluent
- Designed for laboratories outside the US that have experienced significant shipping and receiving issues and require longer specimen stability
- Three shipments per year

Glycated Serum Albumin GSA			
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipmen			
GSA			
Glycated serum albumin	1	3	

- Three 1.0-mL liquid serum specimens
- · Two shipments per year

High-Sensitivity C-reactive Protein HSCRP		
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment
	HSCRP	
High-sensitivity C-reactive protein	I	5

Homocysteine HMS		
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment
	HMS	
Homocysteine	I	3

Ketones KET		
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment
	KET	
Beta-hydroxybutyrate		2
Total ketones		2

Chemistry—Limited, Waived LCW		
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment
	LCW	
Cholesterol	I	3
Glucose	I	3
HDL cholesterol	I	3
LDL cholesterol	I	3
Triglycerides	I	3

Program Information

- Five 0.5-mL liquid serum specimens
- Three shipments per year

Program Information

- Three 1.0-mL serum specimens
- Two shipments per year

Program Information

- Two 2.0-mL serum specimens
- For semi-quantitative methods using the nitroprusside reaction for total ketones testing
- Two shipments per year

- Three 3.0-mL liquid serum specimens
- For use with waived methods such as the Cholestech LDX® and Roche Accu-Chek® Instant Plus
- The glucose specimens are not appropriate for use on other whole blood glucose meters.
- Two shipments per year

Neonatal Bilirubin NB, NB2		
Analyte	Challenges	per Shipment
Program Code		
	NB	NB2
Bilirubin, direct	2	2
Bilirubin, total	5	2

One human-based serum specimen will offer the value assigned using the reference method procedure (Clin Chem. 1985;31:1779-1789).

Program Information

- NB Five 1.0-mL human serum specimens; three shipments per year
- NB2 Two 1.0-mL human serum specimens; must order in conjunction with a five-challenge total bilirubin general chemistry proficiency testing program to meet regulatory requirements; two shipments per year
- · Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered

Point-of-Care Cardiac Markers PCARM/PCARMX				
Analyte	Progra	Program Code Challenges per Shipmen		
	PCARM	PCARMX		
BNP	•		5	
СК-МВ			5	
D-dimer	•		2	
Myoglobin	•		2	
NT-proBNP			5	
Troponin I			5	

Point-of-Care Cardiac Markers PCARM/PCARMX			
Analyte	Program Code Challenges per Shipme		Challenges per Shipment
	PCARM	PCARMX	
BNP	ı	ı	5
СК-МВ	ı	ı	5
D-dimer	ı	ı	2
Myoglobin	ı	ı	2
NT-proBNP	ı	ı	5
Troponin I	ı	ı	5

Point-of-Care High-Sensitivity **Troponin I PCHT Analyte Program Code** Challenges per Shipment **PCHT** 5 High-sensitivity troponin I

Program Information

- PCARM Five 1.5-mL liquid EDTA plasma specimens for point-of-care instruments such as Quidel Triage, Pathfast, and i-STAT
- · PCARMX All PCARM specimens in duplicate
- · Three shipments per year

- · Five 1.5-mL liquid specimens for point-of-care instruments such as i-STAT
- · Three shipments per year

Whole Blood Chemistry Compatibility Matrix

Whole Blood Analyzer/Method	Analyte	Compatible Survey Programs	Page
HemoCue® Glucose 201 systems	Glucose	нсс	below
HemoCue Hb 201+ systems	Hemoglobin	HCC	below
HemoCue Hb 301 and 801 systems	Hemoglobin	HCC1	below
Roche Reflotron®	Cholesterol	C1 C/	54-56
	Glucose	C1, C4	54-56
Cholestech LDX®	Total cholesterol		63
	HDL cholesterol	LCW	63
	Triglycerides	LCVV	63
	Glucose		63
Whole blood cholesterol meters	Cholesterol	C1, C4, LCW	54, 63
Whole blood glucose meters	Glucose	HCC2, HCC4, WBGQ	66-67
Nova StatSensor®/ StatSensor Xpress™	Creatinine	WBCR	67

Waived Combination HCC				
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipme				
HCC				
Hemoglobin	I	2		
Whole blood glucose	I	2		

Program Information

- Two 1.5-mL whole blood specimens; two shipments per year
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- To identify instrumentspecific programs, refer to the whole blood chemistry compatibility matrix above.

Waived Hemoglobin HCC1				
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipment				
HCC1				
Hemoglobin ■ 2				

- Two 1.0-mL whole blood specimens; two shipments per year
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- To identify instrumentspecific programs, refer to the whole blood chemistry compatibility matrix above.

Waived Combination HCC2			
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment	
	HCC2		
Hematocrit	1	2	
Hemoglobin	I	2	
Urinalysis/urine human chorionic gonadotropin (hCG)	I	2	
Whole blood glucose		3	

Program Information

- Total of four shipments per year
- Hematocrit, hemoglobin, and urinalysis/urine hCG testing
 Two 3.0-mL whole blood specimens and two 10.0-mL urine specimens; two shipments per year: A and C
- Whole blood glucose testing

 Three 2.0-mL whole blood specimens; two shipments per year: B and D
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- To identify instrumentspecific programs, refer to the whole blood chemistry compatibility matrix on page 65.

Waived Hematocrit, Hemoglobin, and Urinalysis/Urine hCG HCC3			
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment	
	НСС3		
Hematocrit		2	
Hemoglobin ■ 2			
Urinalysis/urine human chorionic gonadotropin (hCG)	ı	2	

Program Information

- Two 3.0-mL whole blood specimens; two 10.0-mL urine specimens; two shipments per year
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered

Waived Whole Blood	d Glucose HCC	4 NEW
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment
	HCC4	
Whole blood glucose		3

- Three 2.0-mL whole blood specimens; two shipments per year
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- To identify instrumentspecific programs, refer to the whole blood chemistry compatibility matrix on page 65.

Whole Blood Creatinine WBCR				
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipment				
WBCR				
Creatinine 5				

Program Information

- Five 4.0-mL whole blood specimens
- For use with the Nova StatSensor/StatSensor Xpress
- Three shipments per year

Quality Cross Check—Whole Blood Glucose WBGQ				
Analyte	Program Code Challenges per Shipme			
WBGQ				
Glucose		3		

The CAP Accreditation Programs require all accredited laboratories performing waived whole blood glucose testing using glucose meters to perform alternative performance assessment. This program can be used to meet alternative performance assessment requirements.

Program Information

- Three 2.0-mL whole blood specimens
- Report up to 30 instruments.
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- · Two shipments per year



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- Identify and troubleshoot instrument/method problems.
- Correlate results with other laboratories or instruments.
- Document correction of problems identified in Surveys.
- Use material with confirmed results as an alternative external quality control.
- · Identify potential proficiency testing failures.

Each laboratory receives a Survey Participant Summary, which includes readily available results.

Chemistry/TDM, Validated Material

Validated Material	Program Code	Corresponding Program	Pages
Chemistry/TDM	CZVM	CZ	54-56

Program Information

• Five 5.0-mL liquid serum specimens

Urine Chemistry

Analytes/procedures in **bold** type are regulated for proficiency testing by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS).

Urine Chemistry—General U			
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment	
	U		
Amylase	1	3	
Calcium	I	3	
Chloride	1	3	
Creatinine	I	3	
Glucose	I	3	
Magnesium	I	3	
Nitrogen, total	I	3	
Osmolality	I	3	
Phosphorus	I	3	
Potassium	I	3	
Protein, total	I	3	
Sodium	I	3	
Urea nitrogen	1	3	
Uric acid	I	3	
Urine albumin, quantitative	I	3	
Urine albumin:creatinine ratio	1	3	

Program Information

- Six 15.0-mL urine specimens
- One mailing per year will include an additional educational specimen for uric acid testing, for a total of seven challenges per year.
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- Two shipments per year

Accuracy-Based Urine ABU			
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment	
	ABU		
Calcium	1	3	
Creatinine	ı	3	
Protein, total	ı	3	
Urine albumin, quantitative	1	3	
Urine albumin:creatinine ratio	I	3	

- Three 5.0-mL human urine specimens
- Two shipments per year

Kidney Stone Risk Assessment KSA		
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment
	KSA	
Citrate	ı	3
Cystine	ı	3
Oxalate		3

Program Information

- Three 13.5-mL liquid urine specimens
- Two shipments per year

Urine Chemistry—Special N		
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment
	N	
3-methoxytyramines		3
5-hydroxyindoleacetic acid		3
17-hydroxycorticosteroids		3
17-ketosteroids		3
Aldosterone		3
Coproporphyrins		3
Cortisol, urinary free		3
Dopamine		3
Epinephrine		3
Homovanillic acid		3
Metanephrine		3
Norepinephrine	I	3
Normetanephrine	I	3
Uroporphyrin		3
Vanillylmandelic acid	•	3

Program Information

- Six 10.0-mL lyophilized urine specimens and three 10.0-mL liquid urine specimens
- Two shipments per year

Myoglobin, Urine MYG			
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment	
	MYG		
Myoglobin, urine, qualitative and quantitative		2	

- Two 1.0-mL urine specimens
- Two shipments per year

Porphobilinogen, Urine UPBG			
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment	
	UPBG		
Porphobilinogen		3	

Program Information

- Three 5.0-mL urine specimens
- For use with qualitative and quantitative methods
- · Two shipments per year

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- Use material with confirmed results as an alternative external quality control.
- Identify potential proficiency testing failures.

Each laboratory receives a Survey Participant Summary, which includes readily available results.

Urine Chemistry—General, Validated Material

Validated Material	Program Code	Corresponding Program	Page
Urine Chemistry	UVM	U	68

Program Information

- Six 15.0-mL urine specimens
- One mailing per year will include an additional specimen for uric acid testing.

The CAP is your trusted calibration verification and linearity partner, offering a comprehensive menu of programs for diagnostic confidence.

- **Expedited results**—View your linearity evaluation for most CVL programs within two business days of data submission.
- **Customized report package**—Let our team of biostatisticians perform the statistical analysis of your results so you don't have to.
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See the Instrumentation Verification Tools section of this catalog to determine programs that best fit your laboratory's CVL needs.

Special Chemistry

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1,5-Anhydroglucitol AG				
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipme				
AG				
1,5-anhydroglucitol ■ 3				

Program Information

- Three 1.0-mL liquid serum specimens
- Two shipments per year

Aldolase ADL			
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipn			
Aldolase	I	2	

Program Information

- Two 3.0-mL liquid serum specimens
- Two shipments per year

Angiotensin Converting Enzyme ACE				
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipm				
ACE				
Angiotensin converting enzyme, quantitative	ı	2		

Program Information

- Two 2.0-mL lyophilized serum specimens
- Two shipments per year

Body Fluid Chemistry FLD				
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment		
	FLD			
Albumin	I	3		
Amylase	•	3		
CA19-9	1	1		
Carcinoembryonic antigen (CEA)	1	1		
Cholesterol	1	3		
Creatinine	1	3		
Glucose	1	3		
Lactate	1	3		
Lactate dehydrogenase (LD)	1	3		
рН	1	3		
Protein, total	1	3		
Triglycerides	1	3		
Urea nitrogen		1		

For multiple instrument reporting options, see the Quality Cross Check program, FLDQ, on page 72.

- Three 3.0-mL simulated liquid body fluid specimens
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- · Two shipments per year

Quality Cross Check—Body Fluid Chemistry FLDQ			
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment	
	FLDQ		
Albumin	I	3	
Amylase	I	3	
CA19-9	I	1	
Carcinoembryonic antigen (CEA)	I	1	
Cholesterol	I	3	
Creatinine	I	3	
Glucose	I	3	
Lactate	I	3	
Lactate dehydrogenase (LD)	I	3	
рН	I	3	
Protein, total	I	3	
Triglycerides	1	3	
Urea nitrogen	1	1	

This program does not meet regulatory requirements for proficiency testing; see program FLD, on page 71. For additional information about the Quality Cross Check program, see page 36.

Body Fluid Chemistry 2 FLD2			
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment	
	FLD2		
Alkaline phosphatase		3	
Bilirubin		3	
Calcium		3	
Chloride		3	
Lipase		3	
Potassium I		3	
Sodium		3	
Uric acid		3	

Program Information

- Three 3.0-mL simulated liquid body fluid specimens in duplicate
- Report up to three instruments.
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- Two shipments per year

- Three 3.0-mL liquid body fluid specimens
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- Two shipments per year

Cadmium CD			
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shi			
	CD		
Beta-2-microglobulin, urine	I	3	
Cadmium, urine	I	3	
Cadmium, whole blood	I	3	
Creatinine, urine	ı	3	

This program meets the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) guidelines for proficiency testing (OSHA standard-29 CFR 1910.1027AppF).

Program Information

- Three 6.0-mL whole blood specimens and three 12.0-mL urine specimens
- · Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- · Six shipments per year

Cerebrospinal Fluid Chemistry and Oligoclonal Bands M, OLI			
Analyte	Program Code Challenges per Shipment		
	М	OLI	
Albumin, quantitative		ı	3
Electrophoresis (albumin and gamma globulin)		ı	3
Glucose		ı	3
IgG, quantitative		ı	3
Lactate		I	3
Lactate dehydrogenase (LD)		ı	3
Protein, total	ı	I	3
Oligoclonal bands		I	3

Oligoclonal Bands M, OLI				
Analyte	Progr	Program Code Challenges per Shipment		
	М	OLI		
Albumin, quantitative	•	•	3	
Electrophoresis (albumin and gamma globulin)	1	I	3	
Glucose			3	
IgG, quantitative			3	
Lactate	•	ı	3	
Lactate dehydrogenase (LD)			3	
Protein, total		I	3	
Oligoclonal bands			3	

Cystatin C CYS			
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipn			
	CYS		
Cystatin C		2	

Fecal Calprotectin FCAL				
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipme				
	FCAL			
Fecal calprotectin				

Program Information

- M Three 5.0-mL simulated liquid spinal fluid specimens
- OLI Three 5.0-mL simulated liquid spinal fluid specimens and three 1.0-mL paired serum specimens; CSF IgG index and synthesis rate calculation challenges for each paired specimen and one online educational pattern interpretation per mailing
- · Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- · Two shipments per year

Program Information

- Two 1.0-mL liquid serum specimens
- Two shipments per year

- Three 1.0-g simulated fecal specimens
- Two shipments per year

Fecal Fat FCFS				
Analyte Program Code Challenges p				
FCFS				
Fecal fat, qualitative		2		

- Two 10.0-g simulated fecal fat specimens
- For microscopic detection of neutral fats (triglycerides) and/or split fats (total free fatty acids)
- Two shipments per year

Fructosamine FT			
Analyte	Program Code Challenges per Shipment		
	FT		
Fructosamine		2	

Program Information

- Two 1.0-mL liquid serum specimens
- Two shipments per year

Glucose-6-Phosphate Dehydrogenase G6PDS			
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipmen			
	G6PDS		
G6PD, qualitative and quantitative	I	2	

Program Information

- Two 0.5-mL lyophilized hemolysate specimens
- Two shipments per year

H. pylori Breath Test HPBT			
Analyte	Program Code Challenges per Shipment		
	HPBT		
H. pylori breath test	ı	2	

Program Information

- Two gas bags for qualitative reporting with the Meridian BreathID
- Two shipments per year

Lipoprotein-Associated Phospholipase A ₂ PLA		
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipm		
	PLA	
Lipoprotein-associated phospholipase (Lp-PLA ₂) activity		2

Program Information

- Two 2.0-mL lyophilized serum specimens
- Two shipments per year

Lipoprotein Electrophoresis LPE			
Analyte/Procedure	Program Code Challenges per Shipmer		
	LPE		
Lipoprotein electrophoresis	I	2	

- Two 1.0-mL liquid specimens
- Two shipments per year

Protein Electrophoresis SPE, UBJP			
Analyte	Progra	Program Code Challenges per Shipm	
	SPE	UBJP	
IgA, quantitation			2
IgG, quantitation			2
IgM, quantitation			2
M-component (paraprotein) identification	1		2
Protein, total			2
Protein electrophoresis, serum	•		2
Urine Bence Jones protein		I	2

- SPE Two 1.0-mL lyophilized serum specimens; one online educational protein electrophoresis challenge per mailing
- UBJP Two 10.0-mL urine specimens
- Two shipments per year

Lamellar Body Count LBC			
Procedure	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment	
	LBC		
Lamellar body count		3	

Program Information

- Three 2.0-mL simulated amniotic fluid specimens
- For use with LBC methods performed on all hematology analyzers
- Two shipments per year

Plasma Hemoglobin PHG			
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment	
	PHG		
Plasma hemoglobin	I	2	

Program Information

- Two 2.0-mL liquid specimens
- · Two shipments per year

Procalcitonin PCT			
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipme			
	PCT		
Procalcitonin			

Program Information

- Three 1.0-mL lyophilized serum specimens
- Two shipments per year

Pseudocholinesterase C7			
Analyte	Program Code Challenges per Shipment		
	C7		
Pseudocholinesterase	ı	1	

- One 2.0-mL lyophilized serum specimen
- Three shipments per year

Salivary Cortisol SALC			
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment	
	SALC		
Salivary cortisol	I	3	

- Three 2.0-mL synthetic oral fluid specimens
- Two shipments per year

Accuracy-Based Testosterone, Estradiol ABS			
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment	
	ABS		
Albumin		3	
Cortisol	ı	3	
Estradiol	I	3	
Follicle-stimulating hormone (FSH)	I	3	
Luteinizing hormone (LH)	ı	3	
Prostate-specific antigen (PSA), total	ı	3	
Sex hormone-binding globulin (SHBG)	ı	3	
Testosterone	I	3	
Thyroid-stimulating hormone (TSH)	I	3	

Program Information

- Three 1.0-mL human serum specimens
- Two shipments per year

Additional Information

- The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) will set target values for testosterone and estradiol using the established reference methods.
- To meet CMS and CAP-accredited laboratory regulatory requirements for these analytes, see C programs on pages 54–56, K programs on page 82, and Y programs on page 83.

Total Bile Acids TBLA			
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment	
	TBLA		
Total bile acids		3	

- Three 5.0-mL liquid serum specimens
- Two shipments per year

Trace Metals R			
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment	
	R		
Aluminum	I	3	
Chromium	1	3	
Copper	I	3	
Manganese	I	3	
Selenium	I	3	
Zinc	I	3	

- Three 6.0-mL liquid serum specimens
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- Two shipments per year

Trace Metals, Urine TMU			
Analyte	Program Code Challenges per Shipmer		
	TMU		
Aluminum	I	3	
Arsenic	I	3	
Chromium	I	3	
Cobalt	I	3	
Copper	I	3	
Lead	I	3	
Manganese	I	3	
Mercury	I	3	
Selenium	I	3	
Thallium	I	3	
Zinc	I	3	

Program Information

- Three 12.0-mL urine specimens
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- For laboratories that monitor trace metals at normal and toxic levels
- Two shipments per year

Trace Metals, Whole Blood TMWB			
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment	
	TMWB		
Arsenic, total		3	
Chromium		3	
Cobalt		3	
Copper		3	
Manganese		3	
Mercury		3	
Selenium		3	
Thallium		3	
Zinc		3	

- Three 6.0-mL whole blood specimens
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- For laboratories that monitor trace metals at normal and toxic levels
- Two shipments per year

Sweat Analysis Series SW2, SW4				
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipment				
	SW2, SW4			
Chloride		3		
Conductivity		3		

For method compatibility, see chart below.

Program Information

- Three 5.0-mL simulated liquid human sweat specimens
- Two shipments per year

Sweat Analysis Series Compatibility Matrix

Method/Procedure	Program Code		Materials Included
	SW2	SW4	
ELITechGroup and Nanoduct® Systems	•		22-gauge blunt-tipped needles
All other methodologies			No additional materials provided

Viscosity V				
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment		
	V			
Viscosity		2		

- Two 10.0-mL serum specimens
- Two shipments per year

Soluble Transferrin Receptor STFR				
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipmen				
STFR				
Soluble transferrin receptor (sTfR)	I	3		

- Three 2.5-mL liquid human serum specimens
- · Two shipments per year

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Cerebrospinal Fluid, Validated Material

Validated Material	Program Code	Corresponding Program	Page
Cerebrospinal Fluid	MVM	M	73

Program Information

• Three 5.0-mL simulated liquid spinal fluid specimens

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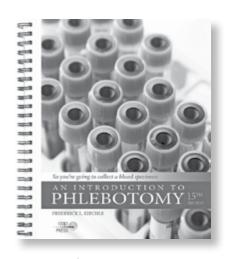
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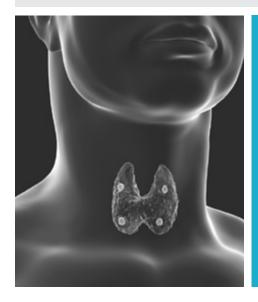
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Program Changes

Testosterone, bioavailable (measured) has been removed from Sex Hormones (Y/YY)......83

Discontinued Programs

Insulin, Gastrin, and C-peptide (ING) See program ABGIC

Endocrinology

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Ligand—General K/KK			
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment	
	K/KK		
Alpha-fetoprotein (AFP)	I	5	
CA 125	I	5	
Carcinoembryonic antigen (CEA)	I	5	
Cortisol	I	5	
Ferritin	I	5	
Folate, serum	I	5	
Human chorionic gonadotropin (hCG), quantitative	1	5	
Immunoglobulin E (IgE)	I	5	
Prostate-specific antigen (PSA), total	•	5	
p2PSA	ı	5	
Prostate-specific antigen, complexed (cPSA)		5	
Prostate-specific antigen (PSA), free	1	5	
Prostatic acid phosphatase (PAP)	I	5	
Triiodothyronine (T3), free	I	5	
Triiodothyronine (T3), total	I	5	
T3 uptake and related tests	I	5	
Thyroxine (T4), free	I	5	
Thyroxine (T4), total	I	5	
Thyroid-stimulating hormone (TSH)	I	5	
Vitamin B ₁₂	I	5	

Program Information

- K Five 5.0-mL liquid serum specimens
- KK Five 5.0-mL liquid serum specimens in duplicate
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- · Three shipments per year



MMA and Active B ₁₂ MMA			
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment	
	MMA		
Active vitamin B ₁₂	I	3	
Methylmalonic acid	1	3	

- Three 1.0-mL lyophilized serum specimens
- Two shipments per year

B-type Natriuretic Peptides BNP5				
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment		
	BNP5			
BNP	I	5		
NT-proBNP		5		

Additional Information

- For i-STAT, Quidel Triage, and Pathfast, use Point-of-Care Cardiac Markers programs PCARM or PCARMX.
- For second instrument reporting options, see the Quality Cross Check program, BNPQ, below.

Program Information

- Five 1.0-mL liquid plasma specimens
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- Three shipments per year

Quality Cross Check—B-type Natriuretic Peptides BNPQ				
Analyte	Program Code Challenges per Shipmen			
	BNPQ			
BNP	I	3		
NT-proBNP	ı	3		

This program does not meet regulatory requirements for proficiency testing; see program BNP5, above. For additional information about the Quality Cross Check program, see page 36.

Program Information

- Three 1.5-mL liquid specimens
- Report up to three instruments.
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- · Two shipments per year

Sex Hormones Y/YY				
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment		
	Y/YY			
11-deoxycortisol	ı	5		
17-hydroxyprogesterone	ı	5		
Androstenedione	1	5		
DHEA sulfate	ı	5		
Estradiol	I	5		
Estriol, unconjugated (uE3)	I	5		
Follicle-stimulating hormone (FSH)	ı	5		
Growth hormone (GH)	I	5		
IGF-1 (somatomedin C)	1	5		
Luteinizing hormone (LH)	ı	5		
Progesterone	ı	5		
Prolactin	1	5		
Sex hormone-binding globulin (SHBG)	1	5		
Testosterone	1	5		
Testosterone, free (measured)	ı	5		

- Y Five 5.0-mL liquid serum specimens in duplicate
- YY Five 5.0-mL liquid serum specimens in triplicate
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- Three shipments per year



Antimüllerian Hormone AMH				
Analyte	Program Code Challenges per Shipme			
	АМН			
Antimüllerian hormone		3		

25-OH Vitamin D, Total VITD						
Analyte	Program Code Challenges per Shipment					
	VITD					
25-OH vitamin D, total						

Accuracy-Based Vitamin D ABVD				
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shi				
	ABVD			
25-OH vitamin D (D2 and D3)	I	3		
Calcium	I	3		

Additional Information

Osteocalcin

- The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) will establish reference targets using isotope-dilution LC-MS/MS method.
- Specimens are collected by a modified application of Clinical and Laboratory Standards Institute Guideline CLSI C37-A, Preparation and Validation of Commutable Frozen Human Serum Pools as Secondary Reference Materials for Cholesterol Measurement Procedures; Approved Guideline.
- To meet CMS and CAP-accredited laboratory regulatory requirements for calcium, see C programs on pages 54–56.

Program Information

- Three 1.0-mL lyophilized serum specimens
- · Two shipments per year

Program Information

- Three 1.0-mL liquid serum specimens
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- · Two shipments per year

Program Information

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- Three 1.0-mL liquid serum specimens
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- · Two shipments per year

- Three 1.0-mL liquid human serum specimens
- Serum is from multi-donor endogenous pools.
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- · Two shipments per year

Bone Markers and Vitamins BMV1, BMV2, BMV3, BMV4, BMV5						
Analyte		Program Code C			Challenges per Shipment	
	BMV1	BMV2	BMV3	BMV4	BMV5	
1,25-dihydroxy vitamin D	•					3
Bone-specific alkaline phosphatase						3
Vitamin A			ı			3
Vitamin E (total, alpha tocopherol, and gamma tocopherol)						3
C-telopeptide						3

- BMV1-4 Three 5.0-mL liquid serum specimens for each program
- BMV5 Three 1.0-mL liquid serum specimens
- Two shipments per year

Parathyroid Hormone PTH					
Analyte	Program Code Challenges per Shipment				
	PTH				
Parathyroid hormone (PTH)	1	5			

Program Information

- Five 2.0-mL lyophilized serum specimens
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- Three shipments per year

Quality Cross Check—Parathyroid Hormone PTHQ					
Analyte	Program Code Challenges per Shipme				
	PTHQ				
Parathyroid hormone (PTH)	1	3			

This program does not meet regulatory requirements for proficiency testing; see program PTH above. For additional information about the Quality Cross Check program, see page 36.

- Three 2.0-mL lyophilized serum specimens in duplicate
- Report up to three instruments.
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- · Two shipments per year

Accuracy-Based Glucose, Insulin, and C-peptide ABGIC							
Analyte	Program Code Challenges per Shipment						
	ABGIC						
C-peptide	1	3					
Gastrin	■ 3						
Glucose	1	3					
Insulin	sulin I 3						

Additional Information

- Target values for glucose and C-peptide will be set using the established reference
- To meet CMS and CAP-accredited laboratory regulatory requirements for glucose, see C programs on pages 54-56.

Program Information

- Three 1.0-mL serum specimens
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- · Two shipments per year

Second Trimester Maternal Screening FP/FPX					
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipi					
	FP/FPX				
Alpha-fetoprotein (AFP), amniotic fluid	ı	2			
Alpha-fetoprotein (AFP), serum	•	5			
Dimeric inhibin A (DIA)		5			
Estriol, unconjugated (uE3)	1	5			
Human chorionic gonadotropin (hCG), quantitative		5			

The CAP designed these programs for laboratories using AFP and hCG for prenatal screening purposes only. For all other applications, see program K or KK on page 82.

Second Trimester Maternal Screening FP/FPX					
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment			
	FP/FPX				
Alpha-fetoprotein (AFP), amniotic fluid	1	2			
Alpha-fetoprotein (AFP), serum	1	5			
Dimeric inhibin A (DIA)	1	5			
Estriol, unconjugated (uE3) ■ 5					
Human chorionic gonadotropin (hCG), quantitative	•	5			

First Trimester Maternal Screening FP1T, FP1B

Analyte	Progra	m Code	Challenges per Shipment
	FP1T	FP1B	
Total hCG			5
Free beta hCG		•	5
PAPP-A			5

The CAP designed these programs for laboratories using hCG for prenatal screening purposes only. For all other applications, see program K or KK on page 82.

Program Information

- FP Five 1.0-mL serum specimens; two 1.0-mL simulated amniotic fluid specimens
- FPX All program FP serum specimens in duplicate; two 1.0-mL simulated amniotic fluid specimens
- · Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- · Three shipments per year

- FP1T, FP1B Five 1.0-mL serum specimens
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- Three shipments per year

Noninvasive Prenatal Testing NIPT		
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment
	NIPT	
Cell-free DNA screening for fetal aneuploidy	ı	3

Noninvasive prenatal testing is an exercise and is not considered proficiency testing. This exercise may be used to meet the requirements for alternative assessment.

Erythropoietin EPO			
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment	
	EP0		
Erythropoietin		2	

Fetal Fibronectin FF		
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipm		
	FF	
Fetal fibronectin	I	2

Red Blood Cell Folate FOL			
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipr			
FOL			
Red blood cell (RBC) folate ■ 3			

Renin and Aldosterone RAP			
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Ship			
RAP			
Aldosterone	I	3	
Renin	I	3	

Program Information

- Three liquid specimens
- · Two shipments per year

Program Information

- Two 1.5-mL serum specimens
- · Two shipments per year

Program Information

- Two 1.2-mL liquid specimens
- Two shipments per year

Program Information

- Three 2.0-mL lyophilized whole blood specimens
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- Two shipments per year

- Three 2.0-mL liquid serum specimens
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- Two shipments per year

Tumor Markers TM/TMX			
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment	
	TM/TMX		
Adrenocorticotropic hormone (ACTH)	I	3	
Beta-2 microglobulin	I	3	
CA 15-3		3	
CA 19-9	1	3	
CA 27.29		3	
CA 72-4		3	
Calcitonin	I	3	
Thyroglobulin		3	

- TM Three 2.0-mL liquid serum specimens
- TMX All program TM specimens in duplicate
- · Two shipments per year

Human Epididymis Protein 4 HUEP			
Analyte	Program Code Challenges per Shipmer		
	HUEP		
Human epididymis protein 4		3	

Program Information

- Three 1.0-mL lyophilized serum specimens
- Two shipments per year

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Endocrinology, Validated Materials

Validated Material	Program Code	Corresponding Program	Page
Ligand—General	KVM	К	82
Sex Hormones	YVM	Υ	83

- KVM Five 5.0-mL liquid serum specimens; three shipments per year
- YVM Five 5.0-mL liquid serum specimens in duplicate; three shipments per year

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Blood Gas, Critical Care, and Oximetry



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Critical Care Blood Gas AQ, AQH			
Analyte	Program Code		Challenges per Shipment
	AQ	AQH	
Calcium, ionized	ı	•	2
Chloride	ı		5
Creatinine	I		5
Glucose	ı		5
Hematocrit			5
Hemoglobin, estimated			5
Lactate	ı	I	2
Magnesium, ionized	ı		2
pCO ₂	I		5
рН	ı	I	5
pO ₂	ı		5
Potassium	I	•	5
Sodium	I	I	5
tCO ₂	ı	I	5
Urea nitrogen (BUN)	I	•	5

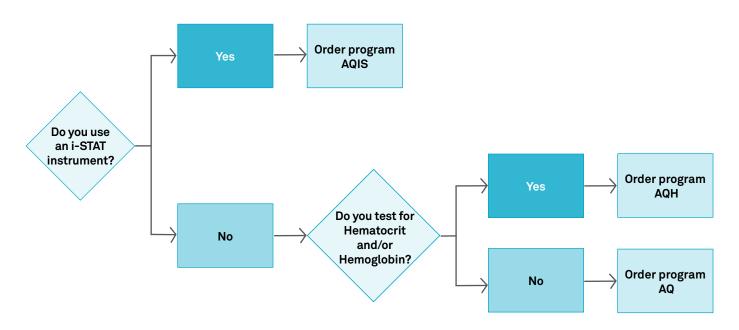
Program Information

- AQ Five 2.5-mL aqueous specimens in duplicate; appropriate for all methods except i-STAT
- AQH Five 2.5-mL aqueous specimens in duplicate and five 2.5-mL specimens for hematocrit testing in duplicate; appropriate for all methods except i-STAT
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- · Three shipments per year



For multiple instrument reporting options, see the Quality Cross Check programs, AQQ and AQHQ, on page 92.

It is not appropriate to report hemoglobin and hematocrit results by co-oximetry in these programs.



Critical Care Blood Gas, i-STAT AQIS			
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment	
	AQIS		
Calcium, ionized	ı	2	
Chloride	ı	5	
Creatinine	I	5	
Glucose	I	5	
Hematocrit	I	5	
Hemoglobin, estimated	I	5	
Lactate	I	2	
pCO ₂	I	5	
рН	I	5	
pO ₂		5	
Potassium	I	5	
Sodium	I	5	
tCO ₂	I	5	
Urea nitrogen (BUN)	•	5	

For multiple instrument reporting options, see the Quality Cross Check program, AQSQ, on page 92.

- Five specimens in duplicate for i-STAT only
- · Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- Three shipments per year

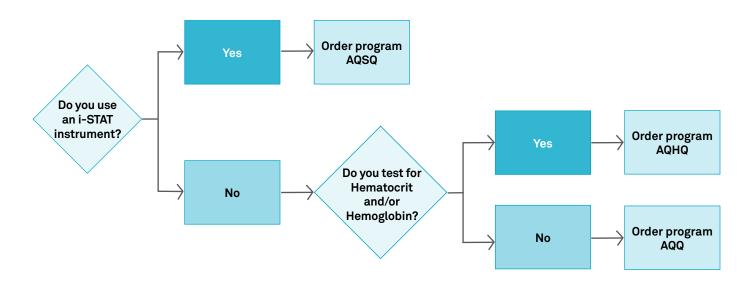


Quality Cross Check—Critical Care Blood Gas AQQ, AQHQ, AQSQ **Program Code** Analyte Challenges per Shipment AQQ **AQHQ AQSQ** Calcium, ionized 3 ı Chloride 3 Creatinine 3 Glucose 3 Hematocrit 3 Hemoglobin, estimated 3 Lactate 3 3 Magnesium, ionized 3 pCO₂ 3 рΗ pO_2 3 Potassium 3 3 Sodium ı tCO₂ (measured) 3 3 Urea nitrogen (BUN) ı

Additional Information

- It is not appropriate to report hemoglobin and hematocrit results by co-oximetry in these programs.
- These programs do not meet regulatory requirements for proficiency testing; see programs AQ, AQH, and AQIS on pages 90–91. For additional information about the Quality Cross Check program, see page 36.

- AQQ Three 2.5-mL specimens in triplicate; appropriate for all methods except i-STAT
- AQHQ Three 2.5-mL specimens in triplicate and three 2.5-mL specimens for hematocrit testing in triplicate; appropriate for all methods except i-STAT
- AQSQ Three 1.7-mL specimens in triplicate for i-STAT methods only
- Report up to three instruments.
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- Two shipments per year



Blood Oximetry SO			
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment	
	SO SO		
Carboxyhemoglobin	I	5	
Hematocrit, estimated	I	5	
Hemoglobin, total	I	5	
Methemoglobin	I	5	
Oxyhemoglobin	I	5	

Additional Information

- This program is not compatible with Oxicom-2000, -2100, or -3000 whole blood oximeters.
- For multiple instrument reporting options, see the Quality Cross Check program, SOQ, below.

Program Information

- Five 1.8-mL stabilized human hemoglobin solution specimens
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- Three shipments per year

Quality Cross Check—Blood Oximetry SOQ			
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipme			
	SOQ		
Carboxyhemoglobin		3	
Hematocrit, estimated	I	3	
Hemoglobin, total	I	3	
Methemoglobin		3	
Oxyhemoglobin	I	3	

This program does not meet regulatory requirements for proficiency testing; see program SO, above. For additional information about the Quality Cross Check program, see page 36.

- Three 1.2-mL liquid specimens in triplicate
- Report up to three instruments.
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- Two shipments per year

Professionalism in Pathology and Laboratory Medicine

This important resource provides a basic understanding of how ethics and professionalism impact pathology and laboratory medicine. Approaches and guidance to educational and assessment tools, including more than 100 case vignettes to guide discussion, are included. The book also discusses professionalism in the context of research, pathologist wellbeing and burnout, legal aspects, diversity, organizational leadership, and patient safety and quality of care. Also addressed are lapses in ethical and professional behavior as well as recommendations on future directions for research and education in professionalism.

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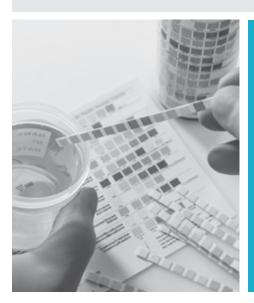
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Tailored for the specialized needs of forensic drug testing, this CAP accreditation program empowers forensic toxicology laboratories to be confident in the accuracy of their results.

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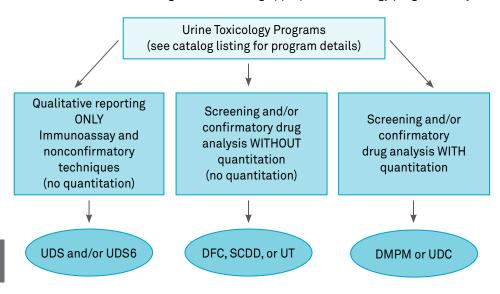
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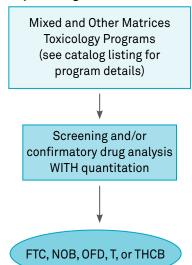
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Toxicology

Analytes/procedures in **bold** type are regulated for proficiency testing by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS).

Use this flowchart as a guide for ordering appropriate toxicology programs for your laboratory's testing menu.





Toxicology T		
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment
	Т	
See drug listing on next page		5

Program Information

- A total of five specimens consisting of 20.0-mL liquid serum and 50.0-mL liquid urine specimens
- For laboratories performing qualitative and quantitative drug analysis on serum and qualitative analysis on urine specimens
- Three shipments per year



Urine Toxicology UT		
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment
	UT	
See drug listing on next page	I	5

- Five 50.0-mL liquid urine specimens
- For laboratories performing qualitative drug analysis with qualitative confirmatory testing
- Three shipments per year



T and UT Programs Drug Listing

Challenges will include a mix of drugs from the list below.

6-acetylmorphine (6-AM)	Delta-9-THC-COOH	Methadone	Norverapamil
7-aminoclonazepam	Demoxepam	Methadone	O-desmethyltramadol
7-aminoflunitrazepam	Desipramine	metabolite (EDDP)	O-desmethylvenlafaxine NEW
7-hydroxymitragynine	Desmethylclomipramine	Methamphetamine	Olanzapine
Acetaminophen	Desmethylcyclobenzaprine*	Methylenedioxy-	Opiate group
Alpha-hydroxyalprazolam	Dextromethorphan	amphetamine (MDA)	Oxazepam
Alprazolam	Diazepam	Methylenedioxy- methamphetamine	Oxycodone
Amitriptyline	Dihydrocodeine	(MDMA)	Oxymorphone
Amphetamine	Diltiazem	Methylenedioxy-	Paroxetine
Amphetamine group	Diphenhydramine	pyrovalerone (MDPV)	Pentobarbital
Aripiprazole	Doxepin	Methylphenidate	Phencyclidine
Atenolol	Doxylamine	Metoprolol	Pheniramine
Atropine	Duloxetine	Mirtazapine	Phenobarbital
Barbiturate group	Ecgonine methyl ester	Mitragynine (Kratom)	Phentermine
Benzodiazepine	Ephedrine	Morphine	Phenylephrine
group	Etizolam	N-desmethyltramadol	Phenytoin
Benzoylecgonine	Fentanyl	Naloxone NEW	Pregabalin
Brompheniramine	Flunitrazepam	Naproxen	Propoxyphene
Buprenorphine	Fluoxetine	Norbuprenorphine	Propranolol
Bupropion	Gabapentin	Norchlordiazepoxide	Pseudoephedrine
Butalbital	Hydrocodone	Norclomipramine	Quetiapine
Cannabinoids	Hydromorphone	Norcodeine	Salicylates
Carbamazepine	Hydroxybupropion	Norcyclobenzaprine*	Sertraline
Carbamazepine-10,	Hydroxyzine	Nordiazepam	Tapentadol
11-epoxide	Ibuprofen	Nordoxepin	Temazepam
Carisoprodol	Imipramine	Norfentanyl	Topiramate
Chlordiazepoxide	Ketamine	Norfluoxetine	Tramadol
Chlorpheniramine	Lamotrigine	Norketamine	Trazodone
Citalopram	Levetiracetam	Normeperidine	Tricyclic group
Clomipramine	Levorphanol	Normirtazapine	Trimipramine
Clonazepam	Lidocaine	Nornaloxone	Valproic acid
Clozapine	Lorazepam	Noroxycodone	Venlafaxine
Cocaethylene	Meperidine	Norpropoxyphene	Verapamil
Cocaine	Mephedrone	Norsertraline	Xylazine
Codeine	Meprobamate	Nortrimipramine	Zolpidem
Cyclobenzaprine Delta-9-THC (serum only)	Meta-chlorophenylpiperazine (m-CPP)	Nortriptyline	

^{*}Same compound

CAP/ADLM Urine Drug Testing, Screening UDS, UDS6 Analyte **Program Code** Challenges per Shipment **UDS** Limited 5 3 6-acetylmorphine (6-AM) Amphetamine 5 3 5 3 Amphetamine/methamphetamine group 5 3 Barbiturate group 5 3 Benzodiazepine group 5 3 Benzoylecgonine/cocaine metabolites Buprenorphine and metabolites 5 3 Cannabinoids 5 3 Ethanol 5 3 5 3 Fentanyl Gabapentin NEW 5 3 5 3 Hydrocodone Lysergic acid diethylamide (LSD) 5 3 Meperidine 5 3 Meprobamate/carisoprodol 5 3 5 3 Methadone 5 Methadone metabolite (EDDP) 3 5 3 Methamphetamine 5 Methaqualone 3 5 3 Methylenedioxymethamphetamine (MDMA) 5 3 Opiate group 5 Oxycodone 3 5 3 Phencyclidine Propoxyphene 5 3 5 Tramadol 3 5 3 Tricyclic group

- UDS Five 10.0-mL liquid urine specimens; three shipments per year
- UDS6 Three 10.0-mL liquid urine specimens; two shipments per year
- For laboratories performing drugs of abuse testing on urine specimens using immunoassay or other nonconfirmatory techniques only
- Participants will have access to the ADLM quarterly newsletter, Clinical & Forensic Toxicology News.



Urine Drug Adulterant/Integrity DAI		
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment
	DAI	
Creatinine	•	3
Glutaraldehyde	I	3
Nitrite	I	3
Oxidants	I	3
рН	I	3
Specific gravity	I	3

- Three 25.0-mL urine specimens
- · Two shipments per year

Clinical Toxicology Testing: A Guide for Laboratory Professionals, Second Edition

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CAP/ADLM Forensic Urine Drug Testing, Confirmatory UDC Analyte **Program Code** Challenges per Shipment UDC 6-acetylmorphine (6-AM) 10 10 Alpha-hydroxyalprazolam 10 Amphetamine Benzoylecgonine 10 10 Buprenorphine Butalbital 10 Codeine 10 Delta-9-THC-COOH 10 Fentanyl 10 10 Hydrocodone Hydromorphone 10 10 Lorazepam 10 Methadone Methadone metabolite (EDDP) 10 Methamphetamine 10 10 Methaqualone 10 Methylenedioxyamphetamine (MDA) 10 Methylenedioxyethylamphetamine (MDEA) Methylenedioxymethamphetamine 10 (MDMA) 10 Morphine Norbuprenorphine 10 Nordiazepam 10 10 Norfentanyl 10 Norpropoxyphene 10 Oxazepam 10 Oxycodone 10 Oxymorphone Phencyclidine ı 10 Phenobarbital 10 Propoxyphene 10 10 Secobarbital ı 10 Temazepam Adulterant/Integrity Indicator Creatinine ı 10 10 Hq Specific gravity 10

- Ten 50.0-mL liquid urine specimens
- For laboratories that perform both screening and confirmatory testing, including quantitation, for drugs of abuse in urine specimens; laboratories are asked to report creatinine, pH, and specific gravity for each specimen to ensure specimen adulteration has not occurred.
- Participants will have access to the ADLM quarterly newsletter, Clinical & Forensic Toxicology News.
- · Four shipments per year



Oral Fluid for Drugs of Abuse OFD		
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment
	OFD	
Amphetamine Group		5
Amphetamine		5
Methamphetamine		5
Methylenedioxyamphetamine (MDA)		5
Methylenedioxymethamphetamine (MDMA)		5
Benzodiazepine Group		5
Alprazolam		5
Diazepam		5
Nordiazepam		5
Oxazepam		5
Temazepam		5
Buprenorphine		5
Buprenorphine and norbuprenorphine		5
Cocaine and/or metabolite		5
Benzoylecgonine		5
Cocaine		5
Cannabinoid		5
Delta-9-THC		5
Cotinine		5
Fentanyl and/or metabolite		5
Fentanyl		5
Norfentanyl		5
Methadone		5
Opiate Group		5
6-acetylmorphine (6-AM)		5
Codeine		5
Hydrocodone		5
Hydromorphone		5
Morphine		5
Oxycodone		5
Oxymorphone		5
Phencyclidine (PCP)		5

- Five 2.0-mL oral fluid specimens
- For laboratories performing drug screening, confirmation, and quantitation
- Four shipments per year

Vitreous Fluid, Postmortem VF		
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment
	VF	
Acetone	I	3
Chloride		3
Creatinine	I	3
Ethanol	I	3
Glucose		3
Potassium	I	3
Sodium	I	3
Vitreous urea nitrogen	I	3

- Three 5.0-mL synthetic vitreous fluid specimens
- · For forensic and other toxicology laboratories that perform quantitative analysis of vitreous fluid
- · Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- · Two shipments per year



Serum Drug Screening SDS			
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment	
	SDS		
Acetaminophen, quantitative	I	3	
Acetone, semiquantitative and qualitative	I	3	
Barbiturate group, qualitative	I	3	
Benzodiazepine group, qualitative	I	3	
Salicylate, quantitative	I	3	
Total tricyclic antidepressants, qualitative	ı	3	

Acetone, semiquantitative and qualita	itive	3		
Barbiturate group, qualitative		3		
Benzodiazepine group, qualitative		3		
Salicylate, quantitative		3		
Total tricyclic antidepressants, qualitative				
This program does not meet the regulatory requirements for proficiency testing for laboratories that quantitate acetaminophen and/or salicylate for TDM purposes.				
CAP/ADLM Alcohol/Volatiles AL1, AL2				
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment		

CAP/ADLM Alcohol/Volatiles AL1, AL2			
Analyte	Program Code		Challenges per Shipment
	AL1 Whole Blood	AL2 Serum	
Acetone, quantitative	•	ı	5
Ethanol, quantitative		ı	5
Ethylene glycol, qualitative and quantitative	•	ı	5
Isopropanol, quantitative	•	ı	5
Methanol, quantitative		ı	5

Program Information

- Three 2.0-mL serum specimens
- For laboratories that perform serum drug screening using immunoassay or other screening techniques
- · Two shipments per year

- AL1 Five 5.0-mL liquid whole blood specimens; conventional reporting
- AL2 Five 2.0-mL liquid serum specimens; conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- Three shipments per year



Ethanol Biomarkers ETB		
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment
	ЕТВ	
Ethyl glucuronide (EtG), qualitative and quantitative	ı	3
Ethyl sulfate (EtS), quantitative	I	3

- Three 10.0-mL synthetic urine specimens
- Two shipments per year

CAP/ADLM Blood Lead BL					
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipmen					
BL					
Lead	I	5			

This program meets the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) requirements for proficiency testing [OSHA lead standards-29 CFR 1910.1025(j)(2)(iii)].

Program Information

- Five 6.0-mL liquid nonhuman whole blood specimens
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- · Three shipments per year



Cadmium CD				
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipmen				
	CD			
Beta-2-microglobulin, urine	I	3		
Cadmium, urine	I	3		
Cadmium, whole blood	I	3		
Creatinine, urine	ı	3		

This program meets the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) guidelines for proficiency testing (OSHA standard-29 CFR 1910.1027AppF).

Program Information

- Three 6.0-mL whole blood specimens and three 12.0-mL urine specimens
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- Six shipments per year

Nicotine and Tobacco Alkaloids NTA			
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipm			
	NTA		
Cotinine	ı	3	
Nicotine	ı	3	

- Three 25.0-mL urine specimens
- Designed for laboratories that qualitatively and/ or quantitatively test for cotinine and/or nicotine in urine
- Two shipments per year

Trace Metals R			
Analyte	Challenges per Shipment		
	R		
Aluminum		3	
Chromium		3	
Copper		3	
Manganese		3	
Selenium		3	
Zinc		3	

- Three 6.0-mL liquid serum specimens
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- Two shipments per year

Trace Metals, Urine TMU			
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment	
	TMU		
Aluminum	I	3	
Arsenic	I	3	
Chromium	I	3	
Cobalt	I	3	
Copper	I	3	
Lead	I	3	
Manganese		3	
Mercury	•	3	
Selenium	I	3	
Thallium	ı	3	
Zinc	ı	3	

Program Information

- Three 12.0-mL urine specimens
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- For laboratories that monitor trace metals at normal and toxic levels
- Two shipments per year

Trace Metals, Whole Blood TMWB		
Analyte	Challenges per Shipment	
	TMWB	
Arsenic, total		3
Chromium		3
Cobalt		3
Copper		3
Manganese		3
Mercury		3
Selenium		3
Thallium		3
Zinc		3

- Three 6.0-mL whole blood specimens
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- For laboratories that monitor trace metals at normal and toxic levels
- Two shipments per year

Forensic Toxicology, Criminalistics FTC				
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipment				
See drug listing below	I	5		

- Five 20.0-mL whole blood specimens
- For crime and hospital laboratories that have forensic toxicology divisions performing qualitative and quantitative analysis of drugs in whole blood specimens
- Three shipments per year



FTC Program Drug Listing

Challenges will include a mix of drugs from the list below.

6-acetylmorphine (6-AM)	Desmethylsertraline	Methylenedioxyamphetamine	Oxymorphone
7-aminoclonazepam	Dextromethorphan	(MDA)	Paroxetine
7-aminoflunitrazepam	Diazepam	Methylenedioxymethamphetamine	Pentobarbital
7-hydroxymitragynine	Dihydrocodeine	(MDMA)	Phencyclidine
Acetaminophen	Diltiazem	Methylenedioxypyrovalerone (MDPV)	Phenethylamine
Alpha-hydroxyalprazolam	Diphenhydramine	Methylphenidate	Pheniramine
Alprazolam	Doxepin	Metoprolol	Phenobarbital
Amitriptyline	Doxylamine	Midazolam	Phentermine
Amphetamine	Duloxetine	Mirtazapine	Phenylephrine
Aripiprazole	Ecgonine ethyl ester	Mitragynine (Kratom)	Phenytoin
Atenolol	Ecgonine methyl ester	Morphine*	Pregabalin
Atropine	Ephedrine	N-desmethyltramadol	Propoxyphene
Benzoylecgonine	Fentanyl*	Naproxen	Propranolol
Brompheniramine	Flunitrazepam	Norbuprenorphine	Pseudoephedrine
Buprenorphine	Fluoxetine	Norchlordiazepoxide	Quetiapine
Bupropion	Gabapentin	Norclomipramine	Quinine
Butalbital	Gamma-hydroxybutyrate (GHB)	Norcodeine	Ranitidine
Carbamazepine	Hydrocodone	Norcyclobenzaprine	Ritalinic acid
Carbamazepine-10,	Hydromorphone	Nordiazepam	Salicylate
11-epoxide	Hydroxybupropion	Nordoxepin	Sertraline
Carisoprodol	Hydroxyzine	Norfentanyl	Strychnine
Chlordiazepoxide	Ibuprofen	Norfluoxetine	Tapentadol
Chlorpheniramine	Imipramine	Norketamine	Temazepam
Citalopram	Ketamine	Normeperidine	Topiramate
Clomipramine	Lamotrigine	Normirtazapine	Tramadol
Clonazepam	Levetiracetam	Noroxycodone	Trazodone
Clozapine	Lidocaine	Norpropoxyphene	Trimipramine
Cocaethylene	Lorazepam	Norsertraline	Valproic acid
Cocaine	Lysergic acid diethylamide (LSD)	Nortrimipramine	Venlafaxine
Codeine	Meperidine*	Nortriptyline	Verapamil
Cyclobenzaprine*	Mephedrone	Norverapamil	Zolpidem
Delta-9-THC	Meprobamate	0-desmethyltramadol	
Delta-9-THC-COOH	Methadone	Olanzapine	
Demoxepam	Methadone metabolite (EDDP)	Oxazepam	
Desipramine	Methamphetamine	Oxycodone	
Desmethylclomipramine		-	*and/or metabolite(

e(s)

Synthetic Cannabinoid/Designer Drugs SCDD				
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipment				
SCDD				
Synthetic cannabinoid/designer drugs				

Synthetic cannabinoids and designer drug stimulants are widespread and constantly changing in respect to the available chemical moieties. In order to stay contemporary, the CAP has decided to modify the compounds in this program in accordance with the appearance and prevalence of new compounds.

Program Information

- Three 10.0-mL urine specimens
- For laboratories that perform screening and confirmatory testing for the compounds found in this program
- · Two shipments per year

SCDD Program Drug Listing

Challenges will include a mix of drugs.

For the most current list of drugs, please go to cap.org. Under the Laboratory Improvement tab, click on Catalog and Ordering Information. The list is located under the PT Order Supplements header.

Novel Opioids and Benzodiazepines NOB			
nalyte Program Code Challenges per Shipmer			
	NOB		
Novel opioids and benzodiazepines		3	

Program Information

- Three 15.0-mL whole blood specimens
- For forensic and toxicology laboratories that perform qualitative and/or quantitative analysis of synthetic opioids and benzodiazepines
- Two shipments per year

NOB Program Drug Listing

Challenges will include a mix of drugs.

For the most current list of drugs, please go to cap.org. Under the Laboratory Improvement tab, click on Catalog and Ordering Information. The list is located under the PT Order Supplements header.

Blood Cannabinoids THCB			
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipme			
	THCB		
Cannabidiol (CBD) NEW	I	3	
Delta-8-THC	I	3	
Delta-8-THC-COOH NEW	I	3	
Delta-9-THC	I	3	
Delta-9-THC-COOH	I	3	
Delta-10-THC NEW	I	3	
11-hydroxy-THC	I	3	

- Three 10.0-mL whole blood specimens
- For toxicology laboratories that perform qualitative and/or quantitative analysis of cannabinoids in blood
- Two shipments per year



Antifungal Drugs Monitoring		AFD
Analyte	alyte Program Code	
	AFD	
Fluconazole		3
Itraconazole		3
Posaconazole	I	3
Voriconazole	I	3

Program Information

- Three 2.0-mL serum specimens
- For laboratories performing quantitative analysis of antifungal agents
- · Two shipments per year

Sample Exchange Registry for Alternative Assessment

When no formal proficiency testing is yet available, join the CAP's Sample Exchange Registry. After at least three laboratories are identified as testing for the same rare analyte, the CAP can anonymously deliver a sample from each laboratory to another participating facility, all of whom then report their results to us. We send each participant a custom result report, including an anonymous participant summary covering all the laboratories that took part.



Drug Monitoring for Pain Management DMPM				
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipmen				
DMPM				
See drug listing below		3		

- Three 40.0-mL urine specimens
- For laboratories offering qualitative, confirmatory, and/or quantitative urine drug analysis for pain management
- Includes clinical cases and questions along with detailed descriptions of how to interpret test results
- Two shipments per year

DMPM Program Drug Listing

Challenges will include a mix of drugs from the list below.

Amphetamine group	Fentanyl	Nordiazepam
6-acetylmorphine (6-AM)	Fentanyl and/or metabolites	Norfentanyl
7-aminoclonazepam	Gabapentin	Norhydrocodone
Alpha-hydroxyalprazolam	Hydrocodone	Normeperidine
Alprazolam	Hydromorphone	Noroxycodone
Amphetamine	I-amphetamine	Noroxymorphone
Barbiturate group	I-methamphetamine	Norpropoxyphene
Benzodiazepine group	Lorazepam	O-desmethyltramadol
Benzoylecgonine	Meperidine	Opiate group
Buprenorphine	Meperidine and/or metabolites	Oxazepam
Buprenorphine and/or metabolites	Meprobamate	Oxycodone
Butalbital	Methadone	Oxymorphone
Cannabinoids	Methadone metabolite (EDDP)	Phenobarbital
Carisoprodol	Methamphetamine	Pregabalin
Carisoprodol and/or metabolites	Methylenedioxyamphetamine (MDA)	Propoxyphene
Clonazepam	Methylenedioxymethamphetamine	Propoxyphene and/or metabolites
Cocaine	(MDMA)	Tapentadol
Cocaine and/or metabolites	Morphine	Tapentadol-O-sulfate
Codeine	N-desmethyltramadol	Temazepam
Delta-9-THC-COOH	Naloxone	Tramadol
Diazepam	Norbuprenorphine	Tramadol and/or metabolites

Drug-Facilitated Crime DFC			
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment	
	DFC		
See drug listing below		3	

- Three 25.0-mL urine specimens
- For laboratories performing qualitative urine drug analysis with confirmation testing
- Designed for laboratories performing testing for drugs associated with drugfacilitated crimes, which target drugs at much lower concentrations than in other toxicology programs
- Two shipments per year

DFC Program Drug Listing

Challenges will include a mix of drugs from the list below.

4-hydroxytriazolam	Gabapentin	Norvenlafaxine
7-aminoclonazepam	Gamma hydroxybutyrate (GHB)	O-desmethyltramadol
7-aminoflunitazepam	Hydrocodone	Oxazepam
Alpha-hydroxyalprazolam	Hydromorphone	Oxycodone
Amitriptyline	Hydroxyzine	Oxymorphone
Amobarbital	Imipramine	Paroxetine
Amphetamine	Ketamine	Pentobarbital
Benzoylecgonine	Lorazepam	Phencyclidine (PCP)
Bromazepam	Meperidine	Phenobarbital
Brompheniramine	Meprobamate	Phenytoin
Butalbital	Meta-chlorophenylpiperazine	Promethazine
Carisoprodol	(m-CPP)	Propoxyphene
Chlorpheniramine	Methadone	Quetiapine
Citalopram/escitalopram	Methadone metabolite (EDDP)	Scopolamine
Clobazam	Methamphetamine	Secobarbital
Clonidine	Methylenedioxyamphetamine (MDA)	Sertraline
Clozapine	Methylenedioxymethamphetamine	Tapentadol
Codeine	(MDMA)	Temazepam
Cyclobenzaprine	Midazolam	Tetrahydrozoline
Delta-9-THC-COOH	Morphine	Topiramate
Desipramine	Norbuprenorphine	Tramadol
Dextromethorphan	Nordoxepin	Valproic acid
Diphenhydramine	Norfentanyl Norfluoxetine	Venlafaxine
Doxepin		Zaleplon
Doxylamine	Norketamine	Ziprasidone
Estazolam	Normeperidine	Zolpidem
Etizolam	Norpropoxyphene	Zolpidem carboxylic acid
Fentanyl	Norsertraline	Zopiclone/Eszopiclone
Fluoxetine	Nortriptyline	

Fluoxetine

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Toxicology, Validated Material

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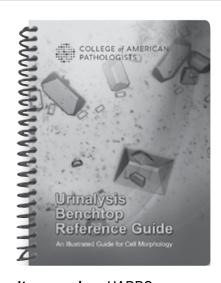
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Accuracy-Based Programs

Analytes/procedures in bold type are regulated for proficiency testing by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS).

Accuracy-Based Lipids ABL			
Analyte	Program Code Challenges per Shipme		
	ABL		
Apolipoprotein A1		3	
Apolipoprotein B		3	
Cholesterol	I	3	
HDL cholesterol		3	
Non-HDL cholesterol		3	
LDL cholesterol		3	
Lipoprotein(a)	•	3	
Triglycerides	ı	3	

To meet CMS and CAP-accredited laboratory regulatory requirements for these analytes, see C programs pages 54–56.

Program Information

- Three 1.0-mL human serum specimens
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- · Two shipments per year

Accuracy-Based Vitamin D ABVD			
Analyte	Challenges per Shipment		
	ABVD		
25-OH vitamin D (D2 and D3)	I	3	
Calcium	I	3	

Additional Information

- The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) will establish reference targets using isotope-dilution LC-MS/MS method.
- Specimens are collected by a modified application of Clinical and Laboratory Standards Institute Guideline CLSI C37-A, Preparation and Validation of Commutable Frozen Human Serum Pools as Secondary Reference Materials for Cholesterol Measurement Procedures; Approved Guideline.
- To meet CMS and CAP-accredited laboratory regulatory requirements for calcium, see C programs on pages 54–56.

Program Information

- Three 1.0-mL liquid human serum specimens
- Serum is from multi-donor endogenous pools.
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- · Two shipments per year

Accuracy-Based Testosterone, Estradiol ABS			
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment	
	ABS		
Albumin	ı	3	
Cortisol		3	
Estradiol	•	3	
Follicle-stimulating hormone (FSH)	I	3	
Luteinizing hormone (LH)	•	3	
Prostate-specific antigen (PSA), total	I	3	
Sex hormone-binding globulin (SHBG)	ı	3	
Testosterone		3	
Thyroid-stimulating hormone (TSH)		3	

- Three 1.0-mL human serum specimens
- Two shipments per year

Additional Information

- The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) will set target values for testosterone and estradiol using the established reference methods.
- To meet CMS and CAP-accredited laboratory regulatory requirements for these analytes, see C programs on pages 54–56, K programs on page 82, and Y programs on page 83.

Accuracy-Based Urine ABU			
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipmet			
	ABU		
Calcium		3	
Creatinine		3	
Protein, total		3	
Urine albumin, quantitative		3	
Urine albumin:creatinine ratio			

Program Information

- Three 5.0-mL human urine specimens
- Two shipments per year

Creatinine Accuracy Calibration Verification/Linearity LN24					
Analyte/Procedure Program Code					
	LN24 Target Range				
Creatinine	I	0.6-4.0 mg/dL			
Estimated glomerular filtration rate (eGFR)	ı				

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eGFR results will be evaluated with a calculation verification comparison.

The CAP and the National Kidney Disease Education Program (NKDEP) have an initiative to harmonize clinically reported creatinine values. This initiative is analogous to what the federal health agencies and the clinical laboratory community did to improve the accuracy of cholesterol and glycohemoglobin testing.

Program Information

- Six 1.0-mL human serum specimens
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- · Two shipments per year

Harmonized Thyroid ABTH						
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipmen						
	ABTH					
Triiodothyronine (T3), free	3					
Triiodothyronine (T3), total	I	3				
Thyroxine (T4), free	I	3				
Thyroxine (T4), total	I	3				
Thyroid-stimulating hormone (TSH)	ı	3				

Additional Information

- Analytes will be evaluated using harmonization.
- Specimens are collected by a modified application of Clinical and Laboratory Standards Institute Guideline CLSI C37-A, Preparation and Validation of Commutable Frozen Human Serum Pools as Secondary Reference Materials for Cholesterol Measurement Procedures; Approved Guideline.
- To meet CMS and CAP-accredited laboratory regulatory requirements for these analytes, see C programs on pages 54–56 and K programs on page 82.

Program Information

- Three 1.0-mL frozen human serum specimens
- · Two shipments per year

Hemoglobin A1c Accuracy Calibration Verification/Linearity LN15						
Analyte Program Code						
LN15 LN15 Target Range						
Hemoglobin A1c	Hemoglobin A1c ■ 5%-12%					

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CAP-assigned target values are derived from Hemoglobin A1c measurements assayed by National Glycohemoglobin Standardization Program (NGSP) secondary reference laboratories.

Hemoglobin A1c, Waived Accuracy-Based GH2 Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipment Program Code Challenges per Shipment

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	GH2	
Hemoglobin A1c	I	3

Additional Information

- This program will be evaluated against the National Glycohemoglobin Standardization Program (NGSP) reference method.
- For multiple instrument reporting options, see the Quality Cross Check program, GHQ, on page 62.
- This program has limited stability. Laboratories outside the US or Canada should consider purchasing GH5I, which has longer stability.

Hemoglobin A1c, Accuracy-Based GH5					
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipme					
GH5					
Hemoglobin A1c	•	5			

Additional Information

- This program will be evaluated against the National Glycohemoglobin Standardization Program (NGSP) reference method.
- For multiple instrument reporting options, see the Quality Cross Check program, GHQ, on page 62.
- This program has limited stability. Laboratories outside the US or Canada should consider purchasing GH5I, which has longer stability.

Program Information

- Six 0.8-mL liquid human whole blood specimens
- · Two shipments per year

Program Information

- Three 0.8-mL liquid human whole blood specimens
- · Two shipments per year
- Designed for waived methods

Program Information

- Five 0.8-mL liquid human whole blood specimens
- · Three shipments per year

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Accuracy-Based Glucose, Insulin, and C-peptide ABGIC			
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment	
	ABGIC		
C-peptide	I	3	
Gastrin	I	3	
Glucose		3	
Insulin	I	3	

Additional Information

- Target values for glucose and C-peptide will be set using the established reference
- To meet CMS and CAP-accredited laboratory regulatory requirements for glucose, see C programs on pages 54-56.

Program Information

- Three 1.0-mL serum specimens
- · Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- · Two shipments per year

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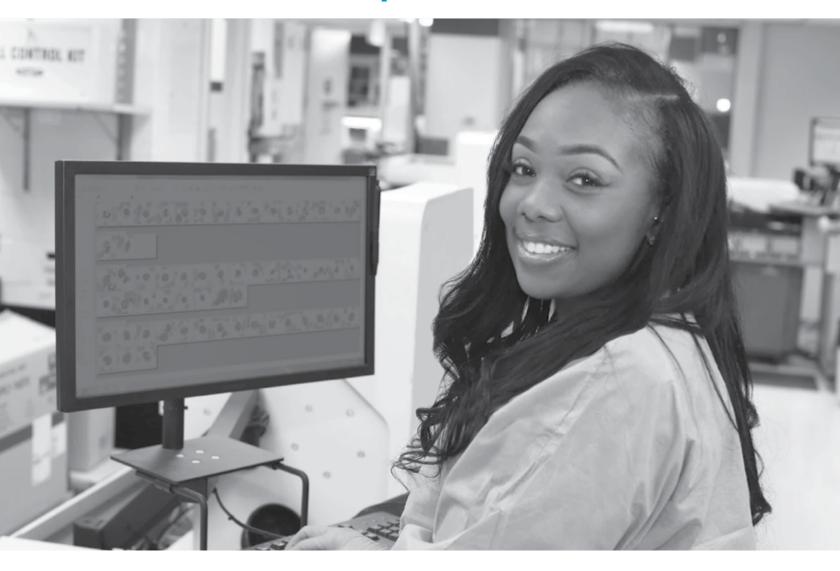
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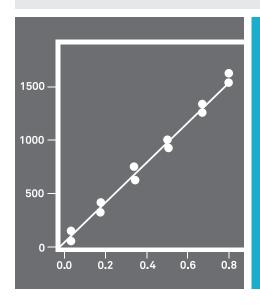
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11 Instrumentation Verification Tools



Ensure your instruments and methods are performing to their optimal levels.

Verify your analytical measurement range using our newest calibration verification/linearity programs for:

- Thyroid panel (LN50)
- Factor VIII (LN51)
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The CAP CVL Program

The CAP is your trusted calibration verification and linearity (CVL) partner. Our CVL program will help you meet both CLIA regulations and CAP Laboratory Accreditation Program requirements for calibration and analytical measurement range verification under 42 CFR 493.1255(bX3). Don't let instrument problems impact your patient results; use the calibration verification and linearity studies to ensure your instrument and method are performing to their optimal levels.

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- Calibration Verification Evaluation
- Linearity Evaluation
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- Linearity Troubleshooting Report
- Participant Summary—A summary of laboratory performance that includes peer group statistics and enhanced diagnostic information for early insight into potential problems

Additional Tools

- Calibration Verification/Linearity Program User's Guide—Get assistance in interpreting your evaluations and reports as well as helpful troubleshooting information with suggested actions. Also available online by logging into e-LAB Solutions Suite
- Calibration Verification Troubleshooting Guide—The guide provides suggested actions if you receive a
 calibration verification result of Different, or if your evaluation result is Verified over a range that does not
 include all of your reported results.
- Calibration Verification/Linearity Surveys Investigation Checklist for Problematic Results—Interpretive checklists are included to help with troubleshooting and documentation.

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All CVL programs provide individual evaluation reports by analytes, an executive summary, and graphical plots for linearity and calibration verification.

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Chemistry, Lipid, Enzyme Calibration Verification/Linearity LN2, LN2BV Program LN2 Target Analyte **LN2BV Target Ranges** Units Code Ranges LN2, All All Beckman Vitros LN2BV Instruments (Except AU) Albumin 1.5 - 9.0g/dL Calcium 4.0 - 18.0mg/dL Chloride 60-180 mmol/L CO_2 ı 7-42 mmol/L Creatinine 0.8 - 34.0mg/dL ı 20-750 Glucose ı mg/dL 10-950 Iron ı µg/dL Magnesium ı 0.5 - 9.0mg/dL Osmolality 200-600 m0sm/kg H₂0 ı 0.5 - 22.0**Phosphorus** mg/dL Potassium 1.5 - 13.0mmol/L Protein 1.5 - 12.0g/dL Sodium 65 - 195mmol/L Urea nitrogen/Urea 5-170 mg/dL Uric acid ı 1-25 mg/dL Alkaline phosphatase ı 25-1,000 25-1,100 U/L 25-1,800 30-700 U/L ALT (SGPT) 10-900 10-650 30-900 U/L Amylase 30 - 1,80030-800 U/L AST (SGOT) ı 10-500 10-700 10-900 25-700 U/L Creatine kinase ı 25-2,000 25-1,200 CK-2 (MB) mass ı 1-250 1-450 1-450 ng/mL Gamma glutamyl ı 10-1,400 10-700 10-700 U/L transferase Lactate 50-700 185-3,000 U/L 50-1,800 dehydrogenase U/L 20-1,200 20-190 150-2,500 Lipase 0.1 - 10.0Bilirubin, direct mg/dL Bilirubin, total 0.2 - 25.0mg/dL Cholesterol 35-625 mg/dL HDL ı 7-120 mg/dL 20-700 Triglycerides mg/dL

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Program Information

- Seven 5.0-mL liquid serum specimens for basic chemistry, six 3.0-mL liquid serum specimens for direct and total bilirubin, seven 2.0-mL liquid serum specimens for lipids, and seven 5.0-mL liquid serum specimens for enzymes
- LN2 Appropriate for most major instruments
- LN2BV Appropriate for Beckman (except AU) and Vitros instruments only
- · Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- · Two shipments per year

Therapeutic Drug Monitoring Calibration Verification/Linearity LN3			
Analyte	Program Code		
	LN3	LN3 Target Ranges	
Acetaminophen		20-350 μg/mL	
Amikacin	I	2-45 μg/mL	
Carbamazepine	I	2-25 μg/mL	
Digoxin	I	0.5-4.4 ng/mL	
Gentamicin	ı	1–11 μg/mL	
Lidocaine	ı	1–10 μg/mL	
Lithium	I	0.3-4.0 mmol/L	
Phenobarbital	ı	8-80 μg/mL	
Phenytoin	ı	5-35 μg/mL	
Salicylate	ı	7-90 mg/dL	
Theophylline	ı	5-35 μg/mL	
Tobramycin	ı	1–10 μg/mL	
Valproic acid	ı	15–140 μg/mL	
Vancomycin	I	7–85 μg/mL	

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Program Information

- Six 4.0-mL liquid serum specimens
- A seventh 4.0-mL liquid serum specimen for acetaminophen, carbamazepine, and vancomycin
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- · Two shipments per year

Ligand Calibration Verification/Linearity LN5, LN5S				
Analyte	Program Code			
	LN5, LN5S*	LN5 Target Ranges	LN5S Target Ranges	
AFP		1.0-900.0 ng/mL		
CEA		0.5-750.0 ng/mL	0.6-90.0 ng/mL	
Cortisol		■ 1–65 μg/dL		

Vitamin B₁₂ ■ 100 –2,200 pg/mL

*The LN5S CVL will allow Siemens ADVIA (Centaur, XP, and CP) and Atellica IM users to report other major instruments for analytes other than CEA, if needed.

View your expedited linearity evaluations within two business days by logging into e-LAB Solutions Suite.

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Ferritin

Folate

Program Information

- LN5 Six 4.0-mL liquid serum specimens; appropriate for most major instruments except Siemens ADVIA (Centaur, XP, and CP) and Atellica IM users
- LN5S Eleven 4.0-mL liquid serum specimens; appropriate for Siemens ADVIA (Centaur, XP, and CP) and Atellica IM users
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- · Two shipments per year

Please note that the ranges listed are an estimate of the values recovered. Some instruments may recover lower or higher values than the ranges listed.

2-1,100 ng/mL

1.3-20.0 ng/mL

Instrumentation Verification Tools

Transferrin

Urine Chemistry Calibration Verification/Linearity LN6			
Analyte	Program Code		
	LN6	LN6 Target Ranges	
Amylase	I	40-5,400 U/L	
Calcium		5-30 mg/dL	
Chloride		20-270 mmol/L	
Creatinine		20-560 mg/dL	
Glucose		25-640 mg/dL	
Osmolality		30 –1,800 mOsm/kg H ₂ 0	
Phosphorus		15-225 mg/dL	
Potassium		7–260 mmol/L	
Protein, total		10-180 mg/dL	
Sodium		20-360 mmol/L	
Urea nitrogen/Urea		20-2,000 mg/dL	
Uric acid	■ 6-200 mg/dL		

View your expedited linearity evaluations within two business days by logging into e-LAB Solutions Suite.

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Program Information

- Twenty 4.0-mL liquid simulated urine specimens
- · Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- · Two shipments per year

immunology Calibration verification/Linearity Lin/			
Analyte Program Code			
	LN7	LN7 Target Ranges	
Alpha-1 antitrypsin	ı	35-500 mg/dL	
Complement C3	ı	21-420 mg/dL	
Complement C4	•	5–125 mg/dL	
IgA	ı	32-650 mg/dL	
IgG	ı	160-3,800 mg/dL	
IgM	I	25-550 mg/dL	

View your expedited linearity evaluations within two business days by logging into e-LAB Solutions Suite.

Program Information

- Seven 2.0-mL liquid serum specimens
- · Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- · Two shipments per year

Please note that the ranges listed are an estimate of the values recovered. Some instruments may recover lower or higher values than the ranges listed.

50-750 mg/dL

Reproductive Endocrinology Calibration Verification/Linearity LN8			
Analyte	Program Code		
	LN8	LN8 Target Ranges	
Estradiol	I	25-4,500 pg/mL	
Follicle-stimulating hormone (FSH)	1	3-190 mIU/mL	
Human chorionic gonadotropin (hCG)	I	5-8,000 mIU/mL	
Luteinizing hormone (LH)	I	2-190 mIU/mL	
Progesterone	I	1–50 ng/mL	
Prolactin	I	3-315 ng/mL	
Testosterone	I	20-1,500 ng/dL	

View your expedited linearity evaluations within two business days by logging into e-LAB Solutions Suite.

Program Information

- Seven 4.0-mL liquid serum specimens
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- Two shipments per year

Hematology Calibration Verification/Linearity LN9				
Analyte Program Code				
	LN9	LN9 Target Ranges		
Hemoglobin		1.0-22.5 g/dL		
Platelet count		10-4,200 x 10 ⁹ /L		
Red blood cell (RBC) count	•	0.3-7.5 x 10 ¹² /L		
White blood cell (WBC) count	1	0.5-350.0 x 10 ⁹ /L		

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Serum Ethanol Calibration Verification/Linearity LN11					
Analyte Program Code					
LN11 LN11 Target Range					
Serum ethanol	I	15-550 mg/dL			

View your expedited linearity evaluations within two business days by logging into e-LAB Solutions Suite.

Program Information

- Twenty 3.0-mL liquid specimens
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- · Two shipments per year

Program Information

- Seven 3.0-mL liquid serum specimens
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- · Two shipments per year

C-reactive Protein Calibration Verification/Linearity LN12						
Analyte	Analyte Program Code					
	LN12 LN12 Target Range					
C-reactive protein	r-reactive protein 7-316 mg/L					

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Not appropriate for reporting high-sensitivity C-reactive protein (hsCRP). For reporting hsCRP, use LN21 on page 128.

Program Information

- Seven 1.0-mL liquid serum specimens
- · Two shipments per year

	Blood 6	Gas/Critical (Car	e e		
Calibration	Verifica	tion/Lineari	ty	LN13	, LN13C	

Analyte	Program Code		Program Code	
	LN13	LN13 Target Ranges	LN13C	LN13C Target Ranges
pCO ₂	I	12-91 mm Hg		12-91 mm Hg
рН	I	6.83-7.82	I	6.83-7.82
pO ₂	I	18-490 mm Hg	I	18-490 mm Hg
Calcium, ionized			ı	0.15-3.30 mmol/L
Chloride			ı	62-148 mmol/L
Glucose			ı	10-465 mg/dL
Lactate			ı	0.2-18.0 mmol/L
Potassium			ı	0.5–10.7 mmol/L
Sodium			ı	83–172 mmol/L

Program Information

- LN13, LN13C Ten 2.5-mL ampules of aqueous specimens
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- · Two shipments per year

Hemoglobin A1c Accuracy Calibration Verification/Linearity LN15

Analyte	Program Code	
	LN15	LN15 Target Range
Hemoglobin A1c	I	5%-12%

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CAP-assigned target values are derived from Hemoglobin A1c measurements assayed by National Glycohemoglobin Standardization Program (NGSP) secondary reference laboratories.

Program Information

- Six 0.8-mL liquid human whole blood specimens
- · Two shipments per year

Homocysteine Calibration Verification/Linearity LN16 Analyte Program Code LN16 LN16 Target Range Homocysteine ■ 5-65 μmol/L

View your expedited linearity evaluations within two business days by logging into e-LAB Solutions Suite.

Program Information

- Six 1.0-mL liquid serum specimens
- Two shipments per year

Whole Blood Glucose Calibration Verification/Linearity LN17				
Analyte Program Code				
LN17 LN17 Target Range				
Whole blood glucose ■ 50-400 mg/dL				

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Program Information

- Five 2.0-mL liquid whole blood specimens
- Report up to 10 different ancillary testing sites or instruments.
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- Two shipments per year

Reticulocyte Calibration Verification/Linearity LN19, LN53				
Instrument/Method	Progra	am Code		
	LN19	LN53 NEW	Target Range	
Beckman Coulter Unicel DxH series (except DxH 500)	I		0.3%-28.0%	
Sysmex XE-2100, XE-2100C, XE-2100D, XE-2100DC, XE-2100L, XE-5000, XN-L series, XN-series (includes RL app), XR-series, XT-2000i, XT4000i		1	0.5%-25.0%	

View your expedited linearity evaluations for LN19 within two business days by logging into e-LAB Solutions Suite.

Program Information

- LN19, LN53 Five 2.5-mL liquid whole blood specimens with pierceable caps
- · Two shipments per year

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Urine Albumin Calibration Verification/Linearity LN20 Analyte Program Code LN20 LN20 Target Ranges Urine albumin ■ 10-350 mg/L Urine creatinine ■ 20-500 mg/dL Urine albumin:creatinine ratio ■

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The urine albumin:creatinine ratio results will be evaluated with a calculation verification comparison.

Program Information

- Six 5.0-mL urine specimens
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- · Two shipments per year

High-Sensitivity C-reactive Protein Calibration Verification/Linearity LN21					
Analyte Program Code					
LN21 LN21 Target Range					
High-sensitivity C-reactive protein ■ 0.5–18.0 mg/L					

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Program Information

- Six 1.0-mL liquid serum specimens
- For high-sensitivity methods only
- · Two shipments per year

Flow Cytometry Calibration Verification/Linearity LN22

Analyte	Program Code	
	LN22	LN22 Target Ranges
CD3+	ı	50%-70% positive
CD3+ T lymphocytes absolute	I	350–4,000 cells/μL
CD3+/CD4+	I	1%-40% positive
CD3+/CD4+ T lymphocytes absolute	I	6–2,000 cells/μL
CD3+/CD8+	I	25%-40% positive
CD3+/CD8+ T lymphocytes absolute	ı	250–1,600 cells/μL

Program Information

- Seven 1.0-mL liquid whole blood specimens
- · Two shipments per year

Prostate-Specific Antigen Calibration Verification/Linearity LN23				
Analyte	Program Code			
	LN23	LN23 Target Range		
Prostate-specific antigen (PSA)	I	0.1-90.0 ng/mL		

Program Information

- Eight 1.0-mL liquid serum specimens
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- · Two shipments per year

Creatinine Accuracy Calibration Verification/Linearity LN24			
Analyte/Procedure	Program Code		
	LN24	LN24 Target Range	
Creatinine	I	0.6-4.0 mg/dL	
Estimated glomerular filtration rate (eGFR)	ı		

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eGFR results will be evaluated with a calculation verification comparison.

The CAP and the National Kidney Disease Education Program (NKDEP) have an initiative to harmonize clinically reported creatinine values. This initiative is analogous to what the federal health agencies and the clinical laboratory community did to improve the accuracy of cholesterol and glycohemoglobin testing.

B-type Natriuretic Peptides Calibration Verification/Linearity LN30 Analyte Program Code LN30 LN30 Target Ranges B-type natriuretic peptides (BNP) IN-5,000 pg/mL NT-proBNP IN-5,000 pg/mL

View your expedited linearity evaluations within two business days by logging into e-LAB Solutions Suite.

Immunosuppressive Drugs Calibration Verification/Linearity LN31					
Analyte Program Code					
LN31 LN31 Target Ranges					
Cyclosporine	I	60-1,200 ng/mL			
Tacrolimus ■ 1.5-30.0 ng/mL					

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Program Information

- Six 1.0-mL human serum specimens
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- · Two shipments per year

Program Information

- Six 1.0-mL liquid plasma specimens
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- Two shipments per year

Program Information

- Seven 2.0-mL liquid whole blood hemolysate specimens
- · Two shipments per year

Instrumentation Verification Tools

Ammonia Calibration Verification/Linearity LN32						
Analyte Program Code						
	LN32 LN32 Target Range					
Ammonia	I	13–900 μmol/L				

View your expedited linearity evaluations within two business days by logging into e-LAB Solutions Suite.

Program Information

- · Seven 2.0-mL aqueous specimens
- · Two shipments per year

Serum Myoglobin Calibration Verification/Linearity LN33						
Analyte Program Code						
	LN33 LN33 Target Range					
Myoglobin ■ 25–900 ng/mL						

View your expedited linearity evaluations within two business days by logging into e-LAB Solutions Suite.

Program Information

- Seven 1.0-mL liquid serum specimens
- · Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- · Two shipments per year

Tumor Markers Calibration Verification/Linearity LN34				
Analyte	Program Code			
	LN34	LN34 Target Ranges		
CA 125		1–1,000 U/mL		
CA 15-3	I	2-190 U/mL		
CA 19-9	I	10-900 U/mL		

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Program Information

- Seven 3.0-mL liquid serum specimens
- · Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- · Two shipments per year

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Coagulation Calibration Verification/Linearity LN35, LN36, LN37, LN51					
Analyte		Progra	m Code		
	LN35	LN36	LN37	LN51	Target Ranges
Antithrombin activity	I				10%-130%
Protein C activity					10%-100%
Heparin, low molecular weight					0.1-2.0 U/mL
Heparin, unfractionated					0.1-1.3 U/mL
von Willebrand factor antigen					5%-140%
Factor VIII clot-based				I	1-200 IU/dL
Factor VIII chromogenic					1-200 IU/dL

View your expedited linearity evaluations within two business days by logging into e-LAB Solutions Suite.

The LN35, LN36, and LN37 CVL programs meet the CAP Accreditation Checklist requirements HEM.37363, 37365, 37373, and 37375.

Program Information

- LN35, LN37, LN51 Six 1.0-mL frozen plasma specimens per mailing
- LN36 Twelve 1.0-mL frozen plasma specimens per mailing, which include six for low molecular weight heparin and six for unfractionated heparin
- Two shipments per year; ships on dry ice

Viral Load Calibration Verification/Linearity LN38, LN39, LN45, LN52					
Analyte	Program Code				
	LN38	LN39	LN45	LN52	Target Ranges
Cytomegalovirus (CMV) viral load					316.0-8.0M IU/mL
HIV viral load					50.0-5.0M IU/mL
Hepatitis C (HCV) viral load			ı		50.0-280.0M IU/mL

View your expedited linearity evaluations within two business days by logging into e-LAB Solutions Suite.

Hepatitis B (HBV) viral load

Program Information

- LN38 Six 1.5-mL liquid plasma specimens
- LN39 Six 2.5-mL liquid plasma specimens
- LN45 Seven 2.5-mL frozen DNA specimens
- LN52 Seven 2.5-mL frozen DNA specimens
- Two shipments per year; LN45 and LN52 ship on dry ice

Please note that the ranges listed are an estimate of the values recovered. Some instruments may recover lower or higher values than the ranges listed.

1.3 log-8.5 log IU/mL

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Vitamin D Calibration Verification/Linearity LN40 Analyte Program Code LN40 LN40 Target Range 25-OH vitamin D, total ■ 10-135 ng/mL View your expedited linearity evaluations within two business days by logging into

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Program Information

- Six 1.0-mL serum specimens
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- · Two shipments per year

Procalcitonin Calibration Verification/Linearity LN41						
Analyte Program Code						
	LN41 LN41 Target Rang					
Procalcitonin	ı	0.3-175.0 ng/mL				

View your expedited linearity evaluations within two business days by logging into e-LAB Solutions Suite.

Program Information

- Six 1.0-mL frozen serum specimens
- Two shipments per year; ships on dry ice

D-dimer Calibration Verification/Linearity LN42			
Analyte Program Code			
	LN42	LN42 Target Range	
D-dimer	I	220-5,500 ng/mL FEU	

View your expedited linearity evaluations within two business days by logging into e-LAB Solutions Suite.

Program Information

- Six 1.0-mL plasma specimens
- · Two shipments per year

Fibrinogen Calibration Verification/Linearity LN44				
Analyte				
	LN44 Target Range			
Fibrinogen ■ 80-900 mg/dL				

View your expedited linearity evaluations within two business days by logging into e-LAB Solutions Suite.

Program Information

- Six 1.0-mL frozen plasma specimens
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- Two shipments per year; ships on dry ice

C-peptide/Insulin Calibration Verification/Linearity LN46		
Analyte	Program Code	
	LN46	LN46 Target Ranges
C-peptide		0.2-35.0 ng/mL
Insulin		0.6-800.0 μIU/mL

View your expedited linearity evaluations within two business days by logging into e-LAB Solutions Suite.

Program Information

- Seven 2.0-mL frozen serum specimens
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- · Two shipments per year

High-Sensitivity Troponin T Calibration Verification/Linearity LN47				
Analyte	Program Code			
LN47 LN47 Target Range				
High-sensitivity troponin T	ı	10-9,000 ng/L		

View your expedited linearity evaluations within two business days by logging into e-LAB Solutions Suite.

Program Information

- Six 2.0-mL serum specimens
- Two shipments per year

High-Sensitivity Troponin I Calibration Verification/Linearity LN48			
Analyte Program Code			
	LN48	LN48 Target Range	
High-sensitivity troponin I	I	10-25,000 ng/L	

View your expedited linearity evaluations within two business days by logging into e-LAB Solutions Suite.

Program Information

- Six 2.0-mL serum specimens
- Two shipments per year

Cystatin C Calibration Verification/Linearity LN49		
Analyte/Procedure	Program Code	
	LN49	LN49 Target Range
Cystatin C		0.5 - 6.5 mg/L
Estimated glomerular filtration rate (eGFR)		

eGFR results will be evaluated with a calculation verification comparison.

View your expedited linearity evaluations within two business days by logging into e-LAB Solutions Suite.

Program Information

- Six 1.0-mL liquid serum specimens
- · Two shipments per year

Thyroid Panel Calibration Verification/Linearity LN50		
Analyte	Program Code	
	LN50	LN50 Target Ranges
Triiodothyronine (T3), free	I	1.0-18.0 pg/mL
Triiodothyronine (T3), total	I	0.4-7.0 ng/mL
Thyroxine (T4), free	I	0.7-7.0 ng/dL
Thyroxine (T4), total	I	1.0−27.0 µg/dL
Thryoid-stimulating hormone (TSH)	I	0.1–120.0 μIU/mL

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Program Information

- · Eighteen 2.0-mL serum specimens
- · Two shipments per year

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Instrumentation I	
Challenges	Program Code
	I
Gravimetric pipette check	I
Microtiter plate linearity	I
Refractometer check	I
Spectrophotometer (stray light check)	
Fluorescent intensity check – fluorescent microscopes	
pH meter check	I

WARNING: The Instrumentation (I) program specimens may contain corrosive or toxic substances, environmental hazards, or irritants.

Program I	nformation
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- Designed to assess instruments not routinely challenged during the proficiency testing process
- Includes appropriate materials to assess important functional parameters, including accuracy and linearity
- · One shipment per year

Serum Carryover SCO		
Analyte	Program Code	
	SCO	
Creatinine	I	
Human chorionic gonadotropin (hCG)	I	
Lactate dehydrogenase (LD)	I	
Phenytoin	1	

Urine Toxicology Carryover UTCOAnalyteProgram CodeUTCOUTCOBenzoylecgonineIDelta-9-THC-COOHIOpiatesIAmphetamineI

Program Information

- One 10.0-mL liquid serum specimen (low level) and one 5.0-mL liquid serum specimen (high level)
- Designed to screen for instrument sample probe carryover
- · One shipment per year

Program Information

- Two 40.0-mL urine specimens (low and high levels)
- Designed to screen for instrument sample probe carryover
- · One shipment per year

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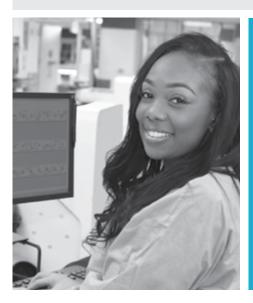


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12 Hematology and Clinical Microscopy



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Hematology and Clinical Microscopy

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Hematology

Analytes/procedures in **bold** type are regulated for proficiency testing by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS).

Hematology—Basic HE		
Analyte/Procedure	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment
	HE	
Hematocrit		5
Hemoglobin	I	5
MCV, MCH, MCHC	I	5
MPV	I	5
Platelet count	1	5
RDW	I	5
Red blood cell (RBC) count	I	5
White blood cell (WBC) count	1	5

Program Information

- Five 3.0-mL whole blood specimens
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- · Three shipments per year



Hematology Automated Differential Series FH1-FH4, FH9-FH10, FH13, FH16-FH17

Analyte/Procedure	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment
	FH1-FH4, FH9-FH10, FH13, FH16-FH17	
Hematocrit	I	5
Hemoglobin	ı	5
Immature granulocyte (IG)	I	5 (FH9 and FH17)
Immature platelet fraction (IPF)/ reticulated platelet (RP)	1	5 (FH9 only)
Large unstained cell (LUC)	I	5 (FH4 only)
MCV, MCH, MCHC	I	5
MPV	I	5
Nucleated red blood cell count (nRBC)	1	5 (FH3, FH9, FH13, FH16, and FH17)
Platelet count	I	5
RDW	I	5
Red blood cell (RBC) count	I	5
White blood cell (WBC) count	I	5
WBC differential	ı	5

For multiple instrument reporting options, see the Quality Cross Check programs, FH3Q, FH9Q, and FH13Q, on page 140.

Program Information

- FH1-4, FH10, FH16-17

 Five 2.5-mL whole blood specimens in vials with pierceable caps
- FH9, FH13 Five 2.0-mL whole blood specimens in vials with pierceable caps
- For method compatibility, see instrument matrix on page 139.
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- · Three shipments per year



Hematology Automated Differential Series, Instrument Matrix

Instrument	FH and FHQ Series								
	FH1	FH2	FH3/ FH3Q	FH4	FH9/ FH9Q	FH10	FH13/ FH13Q	FH16/ FH3Q	FH17
Abbott Cell-Dyn® 1200, 1400, 1600, 1700, Emerald™	1								
Horiba ABX 9000+, 9018+, 9020+	ı								
Sysmex K-series, K-1000/KCP-1, KX-21/21N, pocH-100i, XP-series, XQ-320	•								
CDS/Medonic M-series		ı							
Beckman Coulter® AcT, diff/diff 2™ MD 2/8/10/16, ONYX™, S880, S-plus V, ST, STKR, T-series									
Drew Scientific DC-18, I-1800, DREW3, EXCELL 10/16/18, I-1800									
Horiba ABX Micros		ı							
Mindray BC-2800, 3000/3200 series		ı							
Siemens ADVIA® 360									
Abbott Cell-Dyn 3000, 3500, 3700, 4000, Emerald 22/AL, Ruby™, Sapphire™			•						
Biosystems HA3/HA5									
Drew Scientific EXCELL 22, 2280									
HumaCount5D									
Nihon Kohden MEK 9100									
Orphee Mythic 18, 22 AL, 22 OT, 60									
Siemens ADVIA 560									
Siemens ADVIA 120, 120 w/SP1, 2120				ı					
Abbott Alinity hq, Sysmex XE-2100, XE-2100C, XE-2100D, XE-2100DC, XE-2100D/L (Blood Center), XE-2100L, XE-5000, XN-series (includes RL App), XN-L series, XR-series, XS-500i, XS-800i, XS-1000i, XS-1000i-AL, XS-1000iC, XT-1800i, XT-2000i, XT-4000i, Zybio EXZ 6000 series					•				
Beckman Coulter AcT 5diff (AL, CP, OV)						I			
DIRUI BF series						I			
Horiba ABX Pentra 60, 80, 120, Pentra DF Nexus						I			
Beckman Coulter LH 750, LH 755, LH 780, LH 785, UniCel DxH series (except DxH 500 series)							•		
Beckman Coulter DxH 500 series								ı	
Horiba Yumizen H500/550, H1500/2500									
Mindray BC-700, BC-720, BC-760, BC-780, BC-6000, BC-6000Plus, BC-6100, BC-6100Plus, BC-6200, BC-6200Plus, BC-6600, BC-6600Plus, BC-6700, BC-6800, BC-6800Plus, BC-7500, BC-7500 CRP									ı

Quality Cross Check—Hematology FH3Q, FH9Q, FH13Q					
Analyte/Procedure	Program Code Challenges per Shipment				
	FH3Q	FH9Q	FH13Q		
Hematocrit				3	
Hemoglobin				3	
Immature granulocyte (IG)				3	
Immature platelet fraction (IPF)%				3	
MCV, MCH, MCHC				3	
MPV	ı	•		3	
Nucleated red blood cell (nRBC) count	•			3	
Platelet count				3	
RDW	ı	•		3	
Red blood cell (RBC) count	1	•	•	3	
White blood cell (WBC) differential	ı	•		3	
WBC count	ı	•	I	3	

These programs do not meet regulatory requirements for proficiency testing; see the FH Series on page 138. For additional information about the Quality Cross Check program, see page 36.

Program Information

- FH3Q, FH9Q, FH13Q -Three 2.5-mL whole blood specimens in vials with pierceable caps
- Report up to three instruments.
- For method compatibility, see instrument matrix on page 139.
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- · Two shipments per year

Blood Cell Identification, Photographs BCP							
Procedure	Program Code Challenges per Shipment						
	ВСР						
Blood cell identification		5					
Educational challenges		5					

Program Information

- Ten images, each available as photographs and online images
- · Three shipments per year



Blood Cell Identification, Virtual BCPV						
Procedure Program Code Challenges per Shipment						
BCPV						
Blood cell identification	I	5				
Educational challenges	5					

Program Information

- Ten online images
- Three shipments per year



Assessment of Consistency of Peripheral Blood Morphologic Observations QPC10/QPC25

Introduction

The widespread use of automated white blood cell (WBC) differential counts and computer-generated whole slide imaging has decreased the time that the medical laboratory scientist/technologist staff dedicate to morphological assessment of blood cells. However, these staff must maintain their morphological skills. Laboratories have an annual requirement to do a morphologic comparison of their technical staff's peripheral blood smear results, assess their competency on peripheral blood smears, and provide appropriate education.

Objectives

This study will help assess the effectiveness of educational and practical experience policies and procedures dedicated to the laboratory's efforts in maintaining technologist skills in the performance of accurate WBC differential counts and other peripheral blood smear morphological assessments. The evaluation provided will assist in the construction of individual educational programs for the technical staff and show areas that need focused review and improvement. The study will help management meet applicable CLIA, CAP Laboratory Accreditation Program, and The Joint Commission laboratory requirements for consistency of reporting morphology among staff and personnel competency requirements (testing previously analyzed specimens).*

Data Collection

A series of online, whole slide images of Wright or Wright-Giemsa-stained peripheral blood smears using DigitalScope® technology will be available to each participating institution to assess technologists' performance on WBC differential counts and morphology assessment. Each technologist will receive their own kit. Technologists will provide information about their continuing education and professional background. Information will be collected from each site regarding their institution's minimum continuing education requirements for their technologists in hematology and relevant procedures and policies related to peripheral blood smear assessment.

Performance Indicators

- Individual technologist score based on a standardized competency assessment method to determine a technologist's ability to identify various WBC types, red blood cell morphology, and platelet morphology in normal and abnormal cases
- Overall laboratory score based on the facility's individual technologist performance(s)

Your Reports - What to Expect

- · A participant summary explaining the grading criteria for each case and how to read the reports
- An institution report with your facility's score summary with comparison to other institutions and a technologist score summary by case for each participant
- · An individual report for each participant listing their responses and score for each case
- A data analysis and critique report with analysis of the institution and participant scores, author commentary about each
 case, and links to annotated slides

Program Information

To meet your staff comparative morphology and technical competency assessment requirements:

- Result forms for up to 10 technologists (QPC10)
- Result forms for up to 25 technologists (QPC25)
- Multiple orders may be purchased to accommodate the quantity of technologist result forms needed.

Preliminary study reports are provided at institution and technologist levels.

*Participation in this study helps laboratories meet applicable requirements:

- CLIA personnel requirements (Subpart M, 42 CFR §493.1)
- CAP Laboratory Accreditation Program Checklist statements: HEM.34400, consistency of morphologic observation among personnel
 performing blood cell microscopy at least annually; GEN.55500, element 5, Competency Assessment of Testing Personnel; GEN.55525,
 Performance Assessment of Supervisors/Consultants; DRA.11425, functions or responsibilities are properly performed
 by a qualified individual
- The Joint Commission Standards HR.01.05.03, 01.06.01 (EPs 3, 18,19), HR.01.07.01, Pl.03.01.01(EPs 3-5), and LD.04.05.01, 04.05.03 (EPs 1-6) regarding in-service training, continuing education, competency, and evaluation of staff members.

This is a one-time study conducted in the third quarter.

Blood Parasite BP				
Procedure	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment		
	ВР			
Blood parasite identification (thin/thick film sets*)	1	5		

^{*}This program will include corresponding thick films when available.

- · Five Giemsa-stained blood film sets, photographs, and/or online images
- · Percent parasitemia reporting is provided when appropriate for educational purposes.
- · A variety of blood parasites, including Plasmodium, Babesia, Trypanosoma, and filarial worms
- Three shipments per year

Bone Marrow Cell Differential BMD						
Procedure Program Code Challenges per Shipme						
BMD						
Bone marrow differential	I	1				
Bone marrow cell identification	ı	5				

Additional Information

- Examine an online whole slide image that includes a manual 500-count bone marrow differential and annotated cells for identification.
- Recognize and integrate problem-solving skills through the use of interpretive questions found throughout the discussion.
- Evaluate cell morphology and identify specific cells in bone marrow.
- · See system requirements on page 12.

Program Information

- · One online bone marrow aspirate whole slide image that includes five annotated cells for identification
- Powered by DigitalScope® technology
- Two online activities per year; your CAP shipping contact will be notified via email when the activity is available.



Erythrocyte Sedimentation Rate ECD ECD1 ECD2 ECD2

ESK, ESK I, ESKZ, ESKS					
Instrument/Method	Program Code				Challenges per Shipment
	ESR ESR1 ESR2 ESR3			ESR3	
All methods except the ALCOR, Alifax®, Sedimat 15®, and Sedimat 15 Plus					3
Sedimat 15, Sedimat 15 Plus					3
Alifax					3
Mindray BC 700 series, Mindray BC 6800 Plus, Mindray BC 7600/7800/7900, and Mindray BP 200n series					3
ALCOR iSED®, miniiSED®					3

Program Information

- ESR, ESR1 Three 6.0-mL whole blood specimens
- ESR2 Three 3.0-mL latex bead specimens
- ESR3 Three 3.5-mL whole blood specimens
- · Two shipments per year

Fetal Red Cell Detection HBF			
Procedure	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment	
	HBF		
Kleihauer-Betke and flow cytometry	1	2	
Rosette fetal screen	I	2	
Acid elution whole slide image	I	1	

- Two 1.2-mL liquid whole blood specimens
- Not designed for F-cell quantitation
- Two online whole slide images per year with optional grids for cell counting
- Powered by DigitalScope technology
- Two shipments per year

Reticulocyte Series RT, RT2, RT3, RT4					
Instrument/Method	Program Code			Challenges per Shipment	
	RT	RT2	RT3	RT4	
Abbott Alinity hq, Abbott Cell-Dyn 4000, Sapphire, Siemens ADVIA 120/2120, and all other automated and manual methods	ı				3
Abbott Cell-Dyn 3500, 3700, Ruby					3
Beckman Coulter LH 500, LH 700 series, UniCel DxH series					3
Mindray BC-760 CS, Sysmex XE-2100, XE-2100C, XE-2100D, XE-2100DC, XE-2100L, XE-5000, XN-L series, XN-series (includes RL App), XR-series, XT-2000i, XT-4000i				•	3
Pierceable caps					3

For specific program testing components, see reticulocyte matrix below.

Reticulocyte, Matrix

Program Code	Reticulocyte count, percent	Absolute reticulocyte count	Immature reticulocyte fraction (IRF)	Reticulocyte hemoglobin concentration (CHr)	Reticulocyte hemoglobin (RET-He)
RT/RTQ	I	ı	ı	I	
RT2	I	ı			
RT3/RT3Q		ı	ı		
RT4/RT4Q		ı			

- RT, RT2 Three 1.0-mL stabilized red blood cell (RBC) specimens
- RT3, RT4 Three 3.0-mL stabilized RBC specimens
- Two shipments per year

Quality Cross Check—Reticulocyte RTQ, RT3Q, RT4Q				
Instrument/Method Program Lode			Challenges per Shipment	
	RTQ	RT3Q	RT4Q	
Abbott Alinity hq, Abbott Cell-Dyn 4000, Sapphire, Siemens ADVIA 120/2120, and all other automated and manual methods	•			3
Beckman Coulter, LH 500, LH 700 series, UniCel DxH series		•		3
Mindray BC 760 CS, Sysmex XE-2100, XE-2100C, XE-2100D, XE-2100DC, XE-2100L, XE-5000, XN-L series, XN-series (includes RL App), XR-series, XT-2000i, XT-4000i			ı	3

These programs do not meet regulatory requirements for proficiency testing; see the RT Series on page 143. For additional information about the Quality Cross Check program, see page 36.

Program Information

- RTQ Three 1.0-mL stabilized red blood cell (RBC) specimens
- RT3Q, RT4Q Three 3.0-mL stabilized RBC specimens
- · Includes percentage and absolute result reporting
- · Report up to three instruments.
- Two shipments per year

Reticulocyte Calibration Verification/Linearity LN19, LN53				
Instrument/Method	Progr	ram Code		
	LN19	LN53 NEW	Target Range	
Beckman Coulter Unicel DxH series (except DxH 500)	I		0.3%-28.0%	
Sysmex XE-2100, XE-2100C, XE-2100D, XE-2100DC, XE-2100L, XE-5000, XN-L series, XN-series (includes RL app), XR-series, XT-2000i, XT4000i		•	0.5%-25.0%	

View your expedited linearity evaluations for LN19 within two business days by logging into e-LAB Solutions Suite.

Hemoglobinopathy HG			
Procedure	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment	
	HG		
Hemoglobin identification and quantification	ı	4	
Educational dry challenges		2	
Hemoglobin A2 quantitation		4	
Hemoglobin F quantitation		1	
Sickling test, qualitative		4	

Program Information

- LN19, LN53 Five 2.5-mL liquid whole blood specimens with pierceable caps
- Two shipments per year

- Four 0.5-mL stabilized red blood cell specimens
- · Two educational dry challenges (case histories, electrophoresis patterns, and clinical interpretation questions)
- Two shipments per year

Rapid Total White Blood Cell Count RWBC			
Procedure	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment	
	RWBC		
Rapid total white blood cell (WBC) count	ı	5	

Sickle Cell Screening SCS					
Procedure	Program Code Challenges per Shipment				
	scs				
Sickling test, qualitative	1	3			

Transfusion-Related Cell Count TRC			
Procedure	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment	
	TRC		
Platelet count (platelet-rich plasma)	I	5	
White blood cell (WBC) count	I	4	
Dry challenge	I	2	

WBC counts must be performed using a Nageotte chamber, by fluorescence microscopy, or by flow cytometry.

Waived Combination HCC			
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment	
	HCC		
Hemoglobin		2	
Whole blood glucose	ı	2	

Program Information

- Five 2.0-mL whole blood specimens
- For use with the HemoCue WBC instrument
- Three shipments per year

Program Information

- Three 1.0-mL whole blood specimens
- Two shipments per year

Program Information

- Five 1.2-mL suspensions of platelet-rich plasma
- Two 1.0-mL vials leukocytereduced platelet material
- Two 1.0-mL vials leukocytereduced red blood cells
- Three shipments per year

- Two 1.5-mL whole blood specimens; two shipments per year
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- To identify instrumentspecific programs, refer to the whole blood chemistry compatibility matrix on page 65.

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Waived Hemoglobin HCC1				
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipmen				
HCC1				
Hemoglobin	1	2		

- Two 1.0-mL whole blood specimens; two shipments per year
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- To identify instrumentspecific programs, refer to the whole blood chemistry compatibility matrix on page 65.

Waived Combination HCC2				
Analyte	Challenges per Shipment			
	HCC2			
Hematocrit	I	2		
Hemoglobin	I	2		
Urinalysis/urine human chorionic gonadotropin (hCG)	ı	2		
Whole blood glucose	1	3		

Program Information

- Total of four shipments per year
- · Hematocrit, hemoglobin, and urinalysis/urine hCG testing - Two 3.0-mL whole blood specimens and two 10.0-mL urine specimens; two shipments per year: A and C
- Whole blood glucose testing - Three 2.0-mL whole blood specimens; two shipments per year: B and D
- · Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- · To identify instrumentspecific programs, refer to the whole blood chemistry compatibility matrix on page 65.

Waived Hematocrit, Hemoglobin, and Urinalysis/Urine hCG HCC3					
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Ship					
	HCC3				
Hematocrit ■ 2					
Hemoglobin ■ 2					
Urinalysis/urine human chorionic gonadotropin (hCG)	ı	2			

- Two 3.0-mL whole blood specimens; two 10.0-mL urine specimens; two shipments per year
- · Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered

Waived Whole Blood Glucose HCC4				
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment		
	HCC4			
Whole blood glucose		3		

- Three 2.0-mL whole blood specimens; two shipments per year
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- To identify instrumentspecific programs, refer to the whole blood chemistry compatibility matrix on page 65.

Virtual Peripheral Blood Smear VPBS				
Procedure	Challenges per Shipment			
	VPBS			
White blood cell (WBC) differential	I	3		
Platelet estimate	I	3		
Red blood cell (RBC) morphology		3		
Blood cell identification		15		

To meet CMS and CAP-accredited laboratory regulatory requirements for these analytes, see programs BCP or BCPV on page 140.

Additional Information

- Examine online whole slide images that include a manual 100 WBC differential count and annotated cells for identification.
- Evaluate and identify RBC morphology and identify specific WBCs in peripheral blood.
- Recognize and integrate problem-solving skills through the use of interpretive questions found throughout the discussion.
- See system requirements on page 12.

- Three online peripheral blood whole slide images that include 15 annotated cells for identification
- Powered by DigitalScope technology
- Two online activities per year; your CAP shipping contact will be notified <u>via email</u> when the activity is available.



Expanded Virtual Peripheral Blood Smear EHE1						
Procedure Program Code Challenges per Shipme						
	EHE1					
White blood cell (WBC) differential	■ 2					
Platelet estimate	I 2					
Red blood cell (RBC) morphology	1 2					
Blood cell identification	I	10				

To meet CMS and CAP-accredited laboratory regulatory requirements for these analytes, see programs BCP or BCPV on page 140.

Additional Information

- More challenging and/or complex testing than the Virtual Peripheral Blood Smear (VPBS) program
- Examine online whole slide images that include a manual 100 WBC differential count and annotated cells for identification.
- · Comprehensive case studies
- Recognize and integrate problem-solving skills through the use of interpretive questions found throughout the discussion.
- · Evaluate and identify RBC morphology and identify specific WBCs in peripheral
- See system requirements on page 12.

Program Information

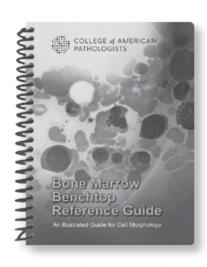
- · Two online peripheral blood whole slide images that include 10 annotated cells for identification
- · Powered by DigitalScope technology
- Two online activities per year; your CAP shipping contact will be notified via email when the activity is available.

Bone Marrow Benchtop Reference Guide

With more than 60 different identifications and a detailed description for each cell morphology, this illustrated guide is an affordable, convenient way to identify various cell types quickly and confidently. Plus, its rugged construction makes it well-suited for heavy use at the benchtop.

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Hematopathology Online Education HPATH/HPATH1				
Program Code Challenges per Shipmen				
	HPATH/HPATH1			
Hematopathology online case review	I	5		

Additional Information

HPATH/HPATH1 prepares pathologists and pathology trainees with an interest in hematopathology to succeed by providing ongoing diagnostic learning and self-assessment.

The program includes 10 challenge cases written by expert hematopathologists per year. For each case, the learner will:

- Review virtual whole slide image(s) in the context of a clinical scenario and relevant laboratory data.
- Select and interpret appropriate ancillary studies (IHC, flow cytometry, FISH, cytogenetics, molecular studies, etc) with real-time feedback.
- Simulate a real-world diagnostic workup to arrive at the appropriate diagnosis.
- Apply knowledge to answer three CME questions.

Cases span the breadth of benign and neoplastic hematopathology. Discussions incorporate current best practices in the workup, diagnosis, and subclassification of hematolymphoid diseases.

Neoplastic entities are discussed in the context of both the International Consensus Classification (ICC) and the fifth edition of the World Health Organization (WHO) classification.

See system requirements on page 12.

- HPATH Five diagnostic challenges per activity (two activities per year), with online whole slide images.
 Reporting with CME credit is available for one participant.
- HPATH1 Reporting option with CME credit for each additional participant (within the same institution); must order in conjunction with program HPATH.
- Earn a maximum of 12.5 CME credits (AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™) per participant.
- This activity meets the ABPath CC requirements for Improvement in Health and Health Care (IHHC).
- Powered by DigitalScope technology
- Two online activities per year; your CAP shipping contact will be notified <u>via email</u> when the activity is available.



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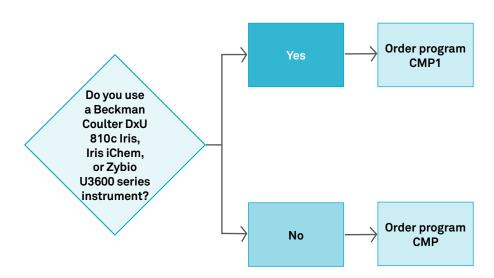
Clinical Microscopy

Analytes/procedures in **bold** type are regulated for proficiency testing by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS).

Urinalysis and Clinical Microscopy			CMP, CMP1
Analyte/Procedure	Progra	m Code	Challenges per Shipment
	СМР	CMP1	
Bilirubin	ı	ı	3
Blood or hemoglobin	ı	ı	3
Body fluid photographs	ı	ı	3
Glucose	ı	ı	3
Human chorionic gonadotropin (hCG) urine, qualitative	ı		3
Ketones	ı	ı	3
Leukocyte esterase	ı	ı	3
Nitrite	ı	ı	3
Osmolality	ı	ı	3
рН	ı	ı	3
Protein, qualitative	ı	ı	3
Reducing substances	ı	ı	3
Specific gravity	ı	ı	3
Urine sediment photographs	ı	ı	3
Urobilinogen	1	•	3

For multiple instrument reporting options, see the Quality Cross Check program, CMQ, on page 151.

- CMP Three 10.0-mL liquid urine specimens; for use with all instruments except Beckman Coulter DxU 810c Iris and Iris iChem; six images, each available as photographs and online images
- CMP1 Three 10.0-mL liquid urine specimens; for use with Beckman Coulter DxU 810c Iris, Iris iChem, and Zybio U3600 Series instruments only, urinalysis; six images, each available as photographs and online images
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- · Two shipments per year



Quality Cross Check—Urinalysis CMQ				
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment		
	СМQ			
Bilirubin	ı	3		
Blood or hemoglobin	ı	3		
Glucose	I	3		
Human chorionic gonadotropin (hCG) urine, qualitative	ı	3		
Ketones	ı	3		
Leukocyte esterase	I	3		
Nitrite	ı	3		
Osmolality	ı	3		
рН	I	3		
Protein, qualitative	ı	3		
Reducing substances	ı	3		
Specific gravity	ı	3		
Urobilinogen	1	3		

This program does not meet regulatory requirements for proficiency testing; see programs CMP and CMP1 on page 150. For additional information about the Quality Cross Check program, see page 36.

Clinical Microscopy Miscellaneous Photopage CMMP Procedure **Program Code** Challenges per Shipment **CMMP** 1 Fern test (vaginal) 1 KOH preparation (skin or vaginal) ı 1 Nasal smear Pinworm preparation 1 Spermatozoa 1 Stool for leukocytes 1 3 Urine sediment photographs Vaginal wet preparation photographs (for clue cells, epithelial cells, 1 trichomonas, or yeast)

Program Information

- Three 10.0-mL liquid urine specimens for use with all instruments
- Report up to three instruments.
- Two shipments per year

- Ten images, each available as photographs and online images
- Two shipments per year

Amniotic Fluid Leakage AFL					
Procedure	Program Code Challenges per Shipment				
AFL					
pH interpretation	interpretation ■				

- Three 2.0-mL liquid specimens
- For use with nitrazine paper and the Amniotest™
- Two shipments per year

Automated Body Fluid Series ABF1, ABF2, ABF3				
Procedure	Program Code Challenges per Shipment			
	ABF1	ABF2	ABF3	
Red blood cell (RBC) fluid count	ı		•	2
Total nucleated cell/White blood cell (WBC) fluid count	ı		ı	2

For method compatibility, see automated body fluid instrument matrix below.

Program Information

- ABF1-3 Two 3.0-mL simulated body fluid specimens
- Two shipments per year

Automated Body Fluid, Instrument Matrix

Instrument		ABF Series	
	ABF1	ABF2	ABF3
Advanced Instruments GloCyte, Siemens ADVIA 120/2120 series	•		
Beckman Coulter LH 700 series, Mindray BC-760 CS, Unicel DxH series			
Mindray BC series (BC-700/720/760/780/760CS/6000/6200/6800/6800Plus/7600/7800/7900)		I	
Sysmex XE-2100, XE-2100C, XE-2100D, XE-2100DC, XE-2100L, XE-5000, XN-series, XN-L series, XT-1800i, XT-2000i, XT-4000i		•	
Beckman Coulter iQ200/DxU Iris series			

Virtual Body Fluid VBF					
Procedure Program Code Challenges per Shipment					
VBF					
Body fluid cell differential	1 2				
Body fluid cell identification					

Additional Information

- Examine online whole slide images that include a manual differential count and annotated cells for identification.
- Evaluate cell morphology and identify specific cells in a body fluid.
- See system requirements on page 12.

- Two online whole slide body fluid images that include 10 annotated cells for identification
- Powered by DigitalScope technology
- Two online activities per year; your CAP shipping contact will be notified <u>via email</u> when the activity is available.

Assessment of Consistency of Body Fluid Morphologic Observations QPB10/QPB25

Introduction

Laboratories receive a variety of body fluids for evaluation that technologists review. Technical staff must maintain their identification skills of these specimens, and laboratories are required to provide education and assess consistency of reporting morphology among staff and competency of body fluid cell identification on an annual basis.

Objectives

This study will assess the effectiveness of educational and practical experience policies and procedures dedicated to the laboratory's efforts in maintaining technologist skills in the performance of accurate body fluid cell counts and identification of other body fluid features. Results of this study will assist individuals, the laboratory director, and the manager with areas to focus on for improvement and education.

The study will help management meet applicable CLIA, CAP Laboratory Accreditation Program, and The Joint Commission laboratory requirements for consistency of reporting morphology among staff and personnel competency requirements (testing previously analyzed specimens).*

Data Collection

Technologists will access a series of online, whole slide images to assess their ability to perform cell differentials on Wright-stained body fluids and to identify miscellaneous cells and inclusions in cytocentrifuged preparations using their own kit and result form. Participants will provide additional information about their competency assessment programs, continuing education, and professional background. Information will be collected from each site regarding their institution's minimum continuing education programs and requirements for their technologists in who review body fluids, and relevant procedures and policies related to body fluid review assessment.

Information will be collected from each site regarding their institution's minimum continuing education requirements for their technologists in hematology and relevant procedures and policies related to body fluid slide review.

Performance Indicators

- Individual technologist score based on a standardized competency assessment method to determine a technologist's ability to identify various white blood cell types, microorganisms, and other cells and inclusions present in normal and abnormal cases
- Overall laboratory score based on the facility's individual technologist performance(s)

Your Reports - What to Expect

- · A participant summary explaining the grading criteria for each case and how to read the reports
- An institution report with your facility's score summary with comparison to other institutions and a technologist score summary by case for each participant
- · An individual report for each participant listing their responses and score for each case
- A data analysis and critique with analysis of the institution and participant scores, author commentary about each case, and links to annotated slides

Program Information

To meet your technical staff morphology and competency assessment requirements:

- Result forms for up to 10 technologists (QPB10)
- Result forms for up to 25 technologists (QPB25)
- Multiple orders may be purchased to accommodate the quantity of technologist result forms needed.

*Participation in this study helps laboratories meet applicable requirements:

- CLIA personnel requirements (Subpart M, 42 CFR §493.1)
- CAP Laboratory Accreditation Program Checklist statements: HEM.35566, consistency of morphologic observation among personnel performing body fluid cell differentials at least annually; GEN.55500, Competency Assessment of Testing Personnel (element 5); GEN.55525, Performance Assessment of Supervisors/Consultants; DRA.11425, functions or responsibilities are properly performed by a qualified individual
- The Joint Commission Standards HR.01.05.03, 01.06.01 (EPs 3, 18,19), HR.01.07.01, Pl.03.01.01(EPs 3-5), and LD.04.05.01, 04.05.03 (EPs 1-6) regarding in-service training, continuing education, competency, and evaluation of staff members

This is a one-time study conducted in the second quarter.

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Automated Urine Microscopy UAA, UAA1			
Analyte	Program Code Challenges per Shipment		
	UAA	UAA1	
Casts, quantitative/qualitative	ı	•	2
Crystals, quantitative/qualitative	ı		2
Epithelial cells, quantitative/ qualitative		•	2
Red blood cells (RBCs), quantitative/qualitative	ı	•	2
White blood cells (WBCs), quantitative/qualitative	ı	•	2

For method compatibility, see automated urine microscopy instrument matrix below.

Order program Yes UAA Do you use an AVE 722, a Beckman Coulter iQ200/DxU Iris series microscopic analyzer, a DIRUI FUS-200 system, a Roche cobas u701, or a Zybio U3600 series instrument? Order program No UAA1

Automated Urine Microscopy, Instrument Matrix

Instrument	trument UAA, UAA1	
	UAA	UAA1
AVE 722		
Beckman Coulter iQ200/DxU Iris series		
DIRUI FUS-200		
Roche cobas u701		
Zybio U3600 series		
77 Elektronika		
ARKRAY Aution Hybrid		I
Siemens Atellica UAS 800		I
Sysmex UF 50, 100, 500i, 1000i, 3000/4000/5000, Sysmex UX 2000		ı

- UAA Two 10.0-mL liquid urine specimens for use with AVE 722, Beckman Coulter Iris, DIRUI, Roche, and Zybio instruments
- UAA1 Two 12.0-mL liquid urine specimens for use with Sysmex instruments
- · Two shipments per year

Crystals BCR, BFC, URC				
Procedure	Pr	ogram Co	de	Challenges per Shipment
	BCR	BFC	URC	
Bile crystal identification				2
Body fluid crystal identification				2
Urine crystal identification			ı	2

Crystals BCR, BFC, URC				
Procedure	Pr	ogram Co	de	Challenges per Shipment
	BCR	BFC	URC	
Bile crystal identification	I			2
Body fluid crystal identification				2
Urine crystal identification				2

Dipstick Confirmatory DSC Program Code Challenges per Shipment Analyte DSC 2 Bilirubin 2 Protein

Fecal Fat FCFS				
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipmen				
FCFS				
Fecal fat, qualitative 2				

Fetal Hemoglobin APT				
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipn				
	APT			
Fetal hemoglobin (gastric fluid or stool)	I	2		

Gastric Occult Blood GOCB				
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipmer				
GOCB				
Gastric occult blood	I	3		
Gastric pH	I	3		

Program Information

- BCR Two photographs
- BFC Two 1.5-mL simulated body fluid specimens (eg, synovial fluid)
- URC Two 1.5-mL urine specimens
- · Two shipments per year

Program Information

- Two 12.0-mL liquid urine specimens
- For use with methods to confirm positive bilirubin and protein dipstick results
- · Two shipments per year

Program Information

- Two 10.0-g simulated fecal fat specimens
- For microscopic detection of neutral fats (triglycerides) and/or split fats (total free fatty acids)
- · Two shipments per year

Program Information

- Two 1.2-mL simulated body fluid specimens
- Two shipments per year

- Three 2.0-mL simulated gastric fluid specimens
- · Two shipments per year

Glucose-6-Phosphate Dehydrogenase G6PDS			
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipmen			
	G6PDS		
G6PD, qualitative and quantitative	I	2	

Hemocytometer Fluid Count HFC				
Procedure	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment		
	HFC			
Cytopreparation differential	1	3		
Red blood cell (RBC) fluid count	I	3		
Total nucleated cell/White blood	_	0		

This program has limited stability. Laboratories outside the US or Canada should consider purchase of HFCI, which has longer stability.

Program Information

- Two 0.5-mL lyophilized hemolysate specimens
- · Two shipments per year

Program Information

Program Information

5-part differential · Powered by DigitalScope

• Designed for laboratories

that have experienced

· Two shipments per year

significant shipping and

receiving issues and need longer program stability

outside the US or Canada

technology

• Three 2.0-mL simulated body fluid specimens; two online whole slide images for 2- and

- Three 1.0-mL simulated body fluid specimens
- · Two shipments per year

Hemocytometer Fluid Count, International HFCI			
Procedure	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment	
	HFCI		
Body fluid differential	I	2	
Red blood cell (RBC) fluid count	I	3	
Total nucleated cell/White blood cell (WBC) fluid count	ı	3	

Additional Information

cell (WBC) fluid count

- This program meets the CAP's Laboratory Accreditation Program requirements.
- Examine online whole slide images that include a manual differential count.
- See system requirements on page 12.

Hemocytometer Fluid Count, International HFCI				
Procedure Program Code Challenges per Shipme				
	HFCI			
Body fluid differential	I	2		
Red blood cell (RBC) fluid count	1	3		
Total nucleated cell/White blood cell (WBC) fluid count	1	3		

- Three 2.0-mL simulated amniotic fluid specimens
- For use with LBC methods performed on all hematology analyzers
- · Two shipments per year

Lamellar Body Count LBC				
Procedure	Challenges per Shipment			
	LBC			
amellar body count				

Occult Blood OCB			
Analyte	Program Code Challenges per Shipment		
	ОСВ		
Occult blood		3	

For multiple instrument reporting options, see the Quality Cross Check program, OCBQ, below.

Program Information

- Three 2.0-mL simulated fecal specimens
- Two shipments per year

Quality Cross Check—Occult Blood OCBQ			
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Sh			
	OCBQ		
Occult blood		3	

This program does not meet regulatory requirements for proficiency testing; see program OCB, above. For additional information about the Quality Cross Check program, see page 36.

Program Information

- Three 2.0-mL simulated fecal specimens
- · Report up to three instruments.
- Two shipments per year

	Fetal Membranes/Preterm Labor ROM1				
	Procedure Program Code Challenges per Shipme				
ROM1					
	Fetal membranes/preterm labor ■ 3				

Fetal Membranes/Preterm Labor ROM1			
Procedure Program Code Challenges per Shipi			
	ROM1		
Fetal membranes/preterm labor		3	

Program Information

- Three 0.5-mL simulated vaginal specimens for methods such as Actim PROM, AmniSure, Clinical Innovations, and PartoSure
- Two shipments per year

Special Clinical Microscopy SCM1, SCM2			
Analyte/Procedure Program Code Challenges per Shipmen			
	SCM1	SCM2	
Urine hemosiderin, Prussian blue			3
Urine eosinophils, Wright stain			3

- SCM1, SCM2 Three images, each available as photographs and online images
- · Two shipments per year

Ticks, Mites, and Other Arthropods TMO					
Procedure Program Code Challenges per Shipmen					
ТМО					
Tick, mite, and arthropod identification ■ 3					

- Three images, each available as photographs and online images
- Two shipments per year



Urine hCG UHCG			
Procedure Program Code Challenges per Shipmen			
	UHCG		
Urine human chorionic gonadotropin (hCG), qualitative	I	5	

Program Information

- Five 1.0-mL urine specimens
- Three shipments per year

Urine Albumin and Creatinine, Semiquant UMC			
Analyte/Procedure	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment	
	UMC		
Creatinine, semiquantitative	1	2	
Urine albumin (microalbumin): creatinine ratio	1	2	
Urine albumin (microalbumin), semiquantitative/qualitative	1	2	

For quantitative reporting, refer to program U, page 68.

Urine Albumin and Creatinine, Semiquant UMC			
Program Code	Challenges per Shipment		
UMC			
1	2		
1	2		
I	2		
	Program Code		

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Worm Identification WID			
Procedure	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment	
	WID		
Worm identification	ı	3	

Program Information

- Two 3.0-mL liquid urine specimens
- For use with dipstick and semiquantitative methods only
- · Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- Two shipments per year

n Information

- e images, each available notographs and online images
- Two shipments per year

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Semen Analysis SC, SC1, PV, PV1, SM, SV							
Procedure			Progra	m Code			Challenges per Shipment
	SC	SC1	PV	PV1	SM	sv	
Sperm count and presence/ absence (manual methods)	ı						2
Sperm count (automated methods)							2
Postvasectomy sperm count and presence/absence (manual methods)			ı				2
Postvasectomy sperm count (automated methods)				•			2
Sperm morphology							2
Sperm viability							2

Program Information

- SC Two 0.3-mL stabilized sperm specimens
- SC1 Two 1.0-mL stabilized sperm specimens
- PV Two 0.3-mL stabilized sperm specimens with counts appropriate for postvasectomy testing
- PV1 Two 1.0-mL stabilized sperm specimens with counts appropriate for postvasectomy testing
- SM Two prepared slides for staining
- SV Two eosin-nigrosinstained slides
- · Two shipments per year



Sperm Count, Motility, Morphology, and Viability SMCD, SM1CD, SM2CD

Procedure		Challenges per Shipment		
	SMCD	SM1CD	SM2CD	
Sperm count				2
Sperm motility/forward progression				2
Sperm classification		ı		10
Sperm morphology				2
Sperm viability			I	2

- SMCD Online video clips of sperm available for hemocytometer, Makler, and disposable chambers
- SM1CD, SM2CD Two online challenges that may be viewed as whole slide images powered by DigitalScope® technology
- Two online activites per year; your CAP shipping contact will be notified <u>via email</u> when the activity is available.



Embryology EMB						
Procedure	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment				
	EMB					
Embryo transfer and quality assessment (three- and five-day-old embryos)	ı	4				

- Two online sets of five video clips
- Two online activites per year; your CAP shipping contact will be notified via email when the activity is available.



Sex Hormones Y/YY					
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment			
	Y/YY				
11-deoxycortisol	I	5			
17-hydroxyprogesterone	ı	5			
Androstenedione	ı	5			
DHEA sulfate	I	5			
Estradiol	ı	5			
Estriol, unconjugated (uE3)	ı	5			
Follicle-stimulating hormone (FSH)	I	5			
Growth hormone (GH)	ı	5			
IGF-1 (somatomedin C)		5			
Luteinizing hormone (LH)	I	5			
Progesterone	I	5			
Prolactin		5			
Sex hormone-binding globulin (SHBG)	I	5			
Testosterone	1	5			
Testosterone, free (measured)		5			

Program Information

- Y Five 5.0-mL liquid serum specimens in duplicate
- YY Five 5.0-mL liquid serum specimens in triplicate
- · Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- Three shipments per year

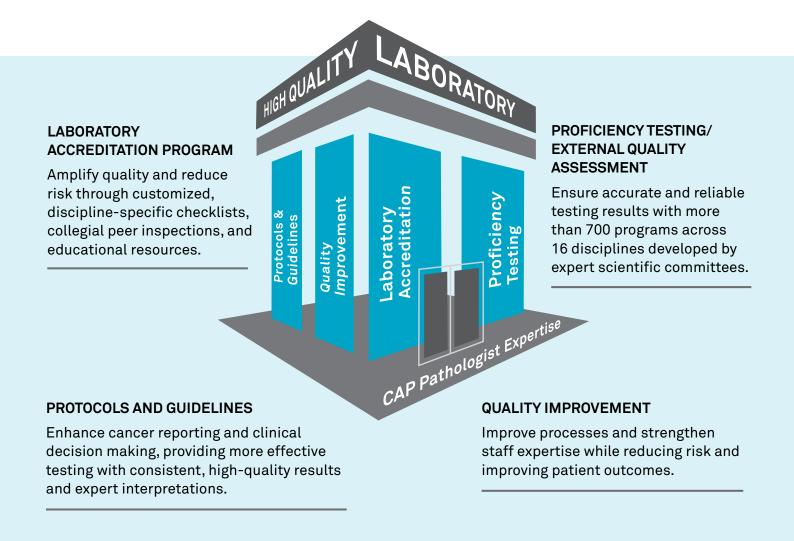


Antimüllerian Hormone AMH Analyte **Program Code** Challenges per Shipment AMH 3 Antimüllerian hormone

- Three 1.0-mL lyophilized serum specimens
- Two shipments per year

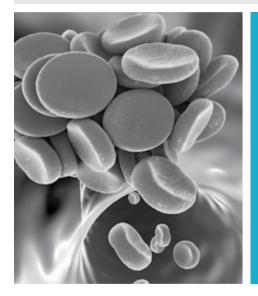
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14 Coagulation



Provide for patient care and safety.

The CAP continues to support laboratory quality initiatives through the development, maintenance, and enhancement of effective PT/EQA programs for coagulation.

All Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) regulated analytes are listed in **bold** type.

Program Changes

Fibrin(ogen) degradation products, serum, has been removed from CGL, CGDF, CGLQ, CGM..... 164, 172

Discontinued Programs

Activated Clotting Time (CT)

Coagulation

Analytes/procedures in **bold** type are regulated for proficiency testing by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS).

Coagulation—Limited CGB, CGL, CGDF						
Analyte/Procedure	Program Code Challenge Shipme					
	CGB	CGL	CGDF			
Activated partial thromboplastin time	I			5		
Fibrinogen		ı		5		
International normalized ratio (INR)*				5		
Prothrombin time	I			5		
D-dimer			•	2		
Fibrin(ogen) degradation products, plasma			•	1		
Fibrin monomer		ı		2		

^{*}Participants reporting INR results will receive a special evaluation to assess the INR calculation. For multiple instrument reporting options, see the Quality Cross Check program, CGLQ, below.

Program Information

- CGB Five 1.0-mL lyophilized plasma specimens
- CGL Seven 1.0-mL lyophilized plasma specimens
- CGDF Two 1.0-mL lyophilized plasma specimens
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- · Three shipments per year



Quality Cross Check-	—Coagulation	CGLQ
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment
	CGLQ	
Activated partial thromboplastin time	ı	3
Fibrinogen	ı	3
Prothrombin time	ı	3
D-dimer	ı	2
Fibrin(ogen) degradation products, plasma	ı	1

This program does not meet regulatory requirements for proficiency testing; see program CGL, above. For additional information about the Quality Cross Check program, see page 36.

- Three 1.0-mL lyophilized plasma specimens in triplicate and two 1.0-mL lyophilized plasma specimens
- Report up to three instruments.
- · Two shipments per year

Coagulation—Extended CGE/CGEX					
Analyte	Program Code Challenges per Shipment				
	CGE/CGEX				
See analyte listing below		2			

Coagulation Analyte Listing (Quantitative Results)

50:50 mixing study, PT and aPTT Plasminogen activator inhibitor
Activated partial thromboplastin time Plasminogen activity/antigen

Activated protein C resistance Prekallikrein
Alpha-2-antiplasmin Protein C
Antithrombin activity/antigen Protein S

Dilute prothrombin time

Factors II, V, VII, VIII, IX, X, XI, XII, and XIII

Fibrinogen antigen

Prothrombin time

Reptilase time

Thrombin time

Heparin-induced thrombocytopenia (HIT)

Program	Info	rn	natio	or	1
	_		_		

- CGE Two 1.0-mL lyophilized plasma specimens (three vials each)
- CGEX Two 1.0-mL lyophilized plasma specimens (five vials each)
- Two shipments per year

Expanded Coagulation Factors ECF				
Analyte/Procedure	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment		
	ECF			
Factor II	•	3		
Factor V		3		
Factor VII		3		
Factor VIII clot based		3		
Factor VIII chromogenic	I	3		
Factor IX		3		
Factor IX chromogenic		3		
Factor X clot based	1	3		
Factor X chromogenic	I	3		
Factor XI		3		
Factor XII	1	3		
Factor XIII (activity and antigen)	1	3		
Fibrinogen antigen	1	3		
Reptilase time	I	3		
Thrombin time	ı	3		

- Three 1.0-mL lyophilized plasma specimens (three vials each)
- Two shipments per year

Coagulation Special Testing Series CGS1, CGS2, CGS3, CGS4, CGS5, CGS7 Module/Analyte Challenges per Shipment **Program Code** CGS1 CGS2 CGS3 CGS4 CGS5 CGS7 Activated partial thromboplastin 2 2 3 time* International normalized ratio 2 3 (INR)* 3 Prothrombin time* 2 Lupus Anticoagulant and Mixing Studies Module Dilute prothrombin time 2 Dilute Russell's viper venom time 2 Lupus anticoagulant sensitive 2 aPTT (confirmation and screen) 50:50 mixing studies, PT and aPTT Thrombophilia Module 2 Activated protein C resistance Antithrombin (activity, antigen) 2 2 Protein C (activity, antigen) Protein S (activity, free antigen, 2 total antigen) von Willebrand Factor Antigen Module Factor VIII assay 2 von Willebrand factor (antigen, 2 activity, multimers) Factor VIII inhibitor 2 **Heparin Module** Heparin activities using methodologies including Anti-Xa 3 (unfractionated, low molecular weight, and hybrid curve) Thrombin time Heparin-Induced Thrombocytopenia Module Appropriate with methods such as Immucor Lifecodes PF4 IgG 2 and Immucor Lifecodes PF4 Enhanced® assays **ADAMTS13 Module** ADAMTS13 (activity, inhibitor screen, titer, and anti-3 ADAMTS13 IgG)

- CGS1, CGS2, CGS3 Two 2.0-mL lyophilized plasma specimens
- CGS4 Three 1.0-mL lyophilized plasma specimens
- CGS5 Two 60.0-µL serum specimens
- CGS7 Three 1.0-mL lyophilized plasma specimens in duplicate
- Two shipments per year

^{*}Not appropriate for meeting regulatory requirements; see CGL on page 164.

D-dimer Calibration Verification/Linearity LN42						
Analyte	Program Code					
LN42 LN42 Target Range						
D-dimer	I	220-5,500 ng/mL FEU				

View your expedited linearity evaluations within two business days by logging into e-LAB Solutions Suite.

Program Information

- Six 1.0-mL plasma specimens
- Two shipments per year

Fibrinogen Calibration Verification/Linearity LN44						
Analyte Program Code						
LN44 LN44 Target Range						
Fibrinogen	I	80-900 mg/dL				

View your expedited linearity evaluations within two business days by logging into e-LAB Solutions Suite.

Program Information

- Six 1.0-mL frozen plasma specimens
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- Two shipments per year; ships on dry ice

Coagulation Calibration Verification/Linearity LN35, LN36, LN37, LN51

Analyte		Progra	m Code		
	LN35	LN36	LN37	LN51	Target Ranges
Antithrombin activity	ı				10%-130%
Protein C activity	ı				10%-100%
Heparin, low molecular weight					0.1-2.0 U/mL
Heparin, unfractionated					0.1-1.3 U/mL
von Willebrand factor antigen					5%-140%
Factor VIII clot-based					1-200 IU/dL
Factor VIII chromogenic					1-200 IU/dL

View your expedited linearity evaluations within two business days by logging into e-LAB Solutions Suite.

The LN35, LN36, and LN37 CVL programs meet the CAP Accreditation Checklist requirements HEM.37363, 37365, 37373, and 37375.

- LN35, LN37, LN51 Six 1.0-mL frozen plasma specimens per mailing
- LN36 Twelve 1.0-mL frozen plasma specimens per mailing, which include six for low molecular weight heparin and six for unfractionated heparin
- Two shipments per year; ships on dry ice

Apixaban, Dabigatran, Fondaparinux, Rivaroxaban Anticoagulant Monitoring APXBN, DBGN, FNPX, RVBN

Analyte		Program Code			
	APXBN	DBGN	FNPX	RVBN	
Activated partial thromboplastin time*		1			3
Prothrombin time*		I		•	3
Thrombin time		I			3
Apixaban					3
Dabigatran		I			3
Fondaparinux					3
Rivaroxaban					3

^{*}To meet CMS and CAP-accredited laboratory regulatory requirements for these analytes; see CGL on page 164.

Program Information

- APXBN, DBGN, FNPX, RVBN - Three 1.0-mL lyophilized plasma specimens
- Two shipments per year

Activated Clotting Time Series CT1, CT2, CT3, CT5							
Instrument/Cartridge		Program Code Challenges p Shipment					
	CT1	CT2	СТЗ	CT5			
IL GEM Hemochron 100/ACT+					3		
IL GEM Hemochron 100/ACT-LR		ı			3		
IL Hemochron Signature Elite/ Hemochron Jr./ACT+					3		
IL Hemochron Signature Elite/ Hemochron Jr./ACT-LR					3		
i-STAT Celite® and Kaolin ACT					3		
Medtronic Hemotec ACT/ACTII/ACT Plus® HR-ACT	1				3		
Medtronic Hemotec ACT/ACTII/ACT Plus LR-ACT			3				
Medtronic Hemotec ACT/ACTII/ACT Plus R-ACT	•						
Medtronic Hepcon HMS Plus					3		

For multiple instrument reporting options, see the Quality Cross Check programs, CT1Q, CT2Q, CT3Q, and CT5Q, on page 169.

- CT1 Three 1.7-mL lyophilized whole blood specimens with corresponding diluents
- CT2 Three 0.5-mL lyophilized whole blood/ diluent ampules
- CT3 Three 0.5-mL lyophilized whole blood/ diluent ampules
- CT5 Three 1.7-mL lyophilized whole blood specimens with corresponding diluents
- Two shipments per year

Quality Cross Check— Activated Clotting Time Series CT1Q, CT2Q, CT3Q, CT5Q

Instrument/Cartridge	Program Code				Challenges per Shipment
	CT1Q	CT2Q	CT3Q	CT5Q	
IL GEM Hemochron 100/ACT+					3
IL GEM Hemochron 100/ACT-LR					3
IL Hemochron Signature Elite/ Hemochron Jr./ACT+					3
IL Hemochron Signature Elite/ Hemochron Jr./ACT-LR					3
i-STAT Celite® and Kaolin ACT					3
Medtronic Hemotec ACT/ACTII/ACT Plus® HR-ACT					3
Medtronic Hemotec ACT/ACTII/ACT Plus LR-ACT					3
Medtronic Hemotec ACT/ACTII/ACT Plus R-ACT					3
Medtronic Hepcon HMS Plus	I				3

These programs do not meet regulatory requirements for proficiency testing; see programs CT1, CT3, and CT5 on page 168. For additional information about the Quality Cross Check program, see page 36.

Platelet Function PF, PF1						
Instrument/Method	Progra	m Code	Challenges per Shipment			
	PF	PF1				
Platelet aggregation			2			
PFA-100, PFA-200			2			
Helena Plateletworks®			2			

These programs require the draw of a normal donor sample.

Program Information

- CT1Q Three 1.7-mL lyophilized whole blood specimens in triplicate with corresponding diluents
- CT2Q Three 0.5-mL lyophilized whole blood/ diluent ampules in triplicate
- CT3Q Three 0.5-mL lyophilized whole blood/ diluent ampules in triplicate
- CT5Q Three 1.7-mL lyophilized whole blood specimens in triplicate with corresponding diluents
- · Report up to three instruments.
- Two shipments per year

- PF, PF1 Five 3.2% sodium citrate vacuum tubes; two 10.0-mL plastic tubes
- · Two shipments per year

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Viscoelastic Studies VES					
Instrument	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment			
	VES				
TEG® 5000, TEG 6s, ROTEM® delta	I	2			

Program Information

- Two 1.0-mL lyophilized plasma specimens
- Two shipments per year

Viscoelastic Testing—Whole Blood VES1				
Instrument	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment		
	VES1			
Hemosonics Quantra®, ROTEM sigma, ROTEM delta	1	2		

This program requires the draw of a normal donor sample.

Program Information

- Four 3.2% sodium citrate vacuum tubes; two 4.0-mL pierceable cap tubes
- · Two shipments per year

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Drug-Specific Platelet Aggregation PIA/PIAX						
Procedure	Program Code Challenges per Shipment					
	PIA	PIAX				
Aspirin assay			3			
PRU test			3			

- PIA Three lyophilized specimens with diluents
- PIAX All program PIA specimens in duplicate
- For use with the Accumetrics VerifyNow® System
- · Kit includes sufficient material to perform one assay; multiple assay reporting requires the purchase of PIAX.
- · Two shipments per year

Whole Blood Coagulation WP3, WP4, WP6, WP9, WP10					
Analyte	Challenges per Shipment				
		Р	rogram Coo	le	
	WP3 WP4 WP6 WP9 WP10*				WP10*
International normalized ratio (INR)) 5 5 5 3				
Prothrombin time	5	5	5	5	_

^{*}To meet CMS and CAP-accredited laboratory regulatory requirements for these analytes, see CGL on page 164.

For method compatibility, see whole blood coagulation instrument matrix below.

Whole Blood Coagulation, Instrument Matrix

Instrument		Pro	gram C	ode	
	WP3	WP4	WP6	WP9	WP10
CoaguSense™					
IL GEM Hemochron Jr. Signature/Signature+, Signature Elite and Jr. II – citrated cuvette					
IL GEM Hemochron Jr. Signature/Signature+, Signature Elite and Jr. II – noncitrated cuvette					
i-STAT/i-STAT PTPlus					
Roche CoaguChek XS Plus, XS Pro, and CoaguChek Pro II					
Roche CoaguChek XS System					
Siemens Xprecia Stride					

- WP3 Five 1.0-mL lyophilized plasma specimens with corresponding diluents
- WP4, WP6 Five 0.5-mL unitized lyophilized blood specimens
- WP9 Five 0.3-mL lyophilized plasma specimens
- Three shipments per year
- WP10 Three 0.3-mL lyophilized plasma specimens with corresponding diluents; two shipments per year

Platelet Mapping PLTM						
Procedure	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment				
	PLTM					
AA % aggregation/inhibition	I	2				
ADP % aggregation/inhibition	I	2				

This program requires the draw of a normal donor sample.

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Program Information

- One 3.2% sodium citrate and two heparin vacuum tubes; two 3.5-mL plastic tubes; one vial of 0.2M CaCl₂
- For use with the Haemonetics Platelet Mapping® assay
- Two shipments per year

Coagulation—Limited, Validated Material

Validated Material	Program Code	Corresponding Program	Page
Coagulation	CGM	CGL	164

Program Information

 Seven 1.0-mL lyophilized plasma specimens; three shipments per year

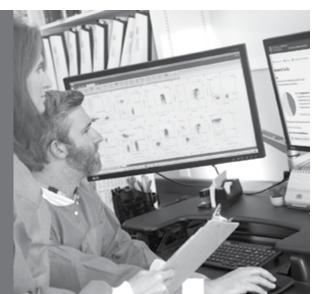
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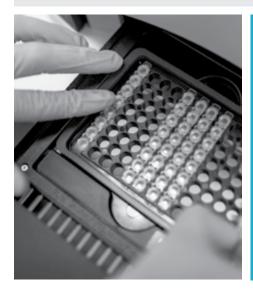
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15 Microbiology



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Dengue Virus Serology (DENS)	

Program Changes

Shiga Toxin (ST) and Stool Pathogen (SP) mailing frequency has increased to three mailings ... 187, 188

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Microbiology

- Participants must report a minimum of five specimens, three times per year, to meet CLIA requirements for each of the subspecialties
 of microbiology (Bacteriology, Mycobacteriology*, Mycology, Parasitology, and Virology) for regulated testing.
 *Mycobacteriology requires five specimens, two times per year.
- · CLIA regulated tests are bolded.
- If any of the tests performed become waived by the FDA mid-year, your laboratory is responsible for maintaining five challenges per test event for the remaining non-waived tests in that subspecialty.

Guide to Molecular Microbiology Testing

Use this flowchart as a guide for ordering the appropriate Molecular Microbiology programs for your laboratory's testing menu. Participants must report five specimens for each mailing to meet CLIA requirements for the subspecialties of microbiology. See the following pages for more detailed information about each program.

Do you perform molecular testing on *Chlamydia* or GC only?

Do you perform nucleic acid amplification other than GC?

Do you perform viral load testing only?

Do you perform molecular multiplexing?

↓ YES

YES

↓ YES

↓ YES

Select from the following:

■ HC6, HC6X, HC7 Chlamydia/GC Nucleic Acid Amplification (page 189) Select from the following:

■ ID1, ID1T, ID2, ID5, IDN, IDO Nucleic Acid Amplification (pages 200, 203–204, 207)

■D1

Group A Streptococcus Culture/Molecular (page 177)

■ MRS2M, MRS5M MRSA Screen, Molecular (page 186)

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• CDF5
C. difficile Detection
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MGEN

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■TVAG, TVG5

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■ HV2 HIV Viral Load (page 205)

■ HCV2, HBVL, HBVL5 Hepatitis Viral Load

(page 205)

■VLS, VLS2 Viral Load (page 205) Select from the following:

■ID3

Nucleic Acid Amplification, Respiratory Limited (page 203)

•IDM5, IDME

Meningitis/Encephalitis

Panel (page 209)

■ IDPN
Infectious Disease
Pneumonia Panel

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■IDR Infectious Disease Respiratory Panel

■ GIP, GIP5, GIPN
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■ BCM

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■MVP

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■STIM

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Bacteriology

Analytes/procedures in **bold** type are regulated for proficiency testing by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS).

Guide for Ordering Regulated Bacteriology Programs

Procedure	Program Code					
	D	D2	RMC	D3	MC4	D1
Bacterial identification	I			I	•	
Gram stain and morphology	I	I		I		
Antimicrobial susceptibility testing	I	I				
Bacterial antigen/toxin detection						

Participants must report five specimens for each mailing to meet CLIA requirements for the subspecialty of bacteriology. See the following pages for more detailed information about each program.

Bacteriology D				
Procedure	Program Code	Challen	ges per S	hipment
	D	Α	В	С
Antimicrobial susceptibility testing	I	2	2	2
Bacterial identification	I	5	5	5
Gram stain and morphology	I	1	1	1
C. difficile antigen/toxin	I	1	1	1
Group A Streptococcus antigen	I		1	1
Spinal fluid antigen panel	I	1	1	

Program Information

- Five swab specimens with diluents in duplicate for culture
- Culture sources may include wounds, blood, respiratory, urines, stools, and anaerobes on a rotational basis.
- Specimens for bacterial antigen/toxin detection from the following:

One swab for Group A Streptococcus

One 1.0-mL lyophilized specimen for spinal fluid meningitis testing

One 0.5-mL lyophilized specimen for *Clostridioides* (*Clostridium*) *difficile*, for use with rapid or molecular testing methods

· Three shipments per year







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Expanded Bacteriology DEX				
Procedure	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment		
	DEX			
Bacterial identification	I	2		

Additional Information

Expanded Bacteriology (DEX) is an educational opportunity that provides:

- Culture and susceptibility testing challenges for microbiology laboratories that perform complete identification and susceptibility of bacterial isolates including less common or problematic bacteria
- More exposure to emerging bacterial pathogens and novel resistance mechanisms
- Ability to recognize and identify organisms that exhibit multiple drug-resistance patterns
- Recovery and identification of mixed pathogens such as yeast and bacteria (aerobic and anaerobic) in cultures containing multiple organisms

Program Information

- Two swab specimens in duplicate with diluents to perform bacterial identification and susceptibility (when directed)
- · Three shipments per year



Microbiology Bench Tools Competency MBT			
Procedure	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment	
	MBT		
Bacterial identification	I	6	
Antimicrobial susceptibility testing	I	2	

Additional Information

Microbiology Bench Tools Competency (MBT) is a supplemental module for competency assessment and an educational resource for microbiology laboratories. The module:

- Provides organisms that challenge the basic elements of testing at the microbiology bench, including direct observation, monitoring, recording, and reporting of test results
- Can be used for both competency and educational purposes, including teaching and training pathology residents, new employees, and medical and MT/MLT students
- · Provides identification and susceptibility results for supervisor use

This is not a proficiency testing program and participants will not return results to the CAP.

Program Information

- Six swab specimens with diluents for bacterial identification and susceptibility
- Culture sources will vary with each shipment.
- Results will be provided with the kit to assess personnel competency.
- · Two shipments per year





Group A Streptococcus Culture/Molecular D1			
Procedure	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment	
	D1		
Bacterial identification		5	
Culture source	Throat		
Microbiologic level	Presence or absence of Group A Streptococcus determination		

- Five swab specimens with diluents in duplicate
- Throat swabs compatible with molecular- and culturebased methods
- Three shipments per year





GC and Urine Cultures D2, D3			
Procedure	Prograi	Challenges per Shipment	
	D2	D3	
Antimicrobial susceptibility testing			2
Bacterial identification		•	5
Gram stain and morphology		•	1
Culture source	Urine	Cervical	
Microbiologic level	Organisms identified to the extent of your laboratory's protocol	Presence or absence of Neisseria gonorrhoeae determination	

Program Information

- D2 Five loop specimens with diluents in duplicate, with two susceptibility challenges and one Gram stain and morphology challenge
- D3 Five loop specimens with diluents in duplicate, and one Gram stain and morphology challenge
- Three shipments per year



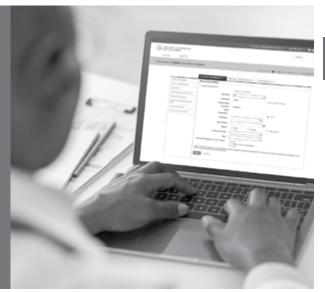


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Routine Microbiology Combination RMC			
Procedure	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment	
	RMC		
Antimicrobial susceptibility testing	I	2	
GC culture	I	2	
Gram stain and morphology		2	
Group A Streptococcus antigen detection*	I	1	
Throat culture/molecular	I	3	
Urine culture		3	

^{*}If your laboratory uses a waived method for Group A Streptococcus, these results will not count toward the required five challenges for the subspecialty of bacteriology.

- Five loop specimens with diluents in duplicate, three swab specimens with diluents in duplicate, and one swab specimen for bacterial antigen detection
- Urine culture will have two susceptibility challenges.
- Throat swabs compatible with molecular- and culturebased methods
- Three shipments per year





Urine Colony Count	MC3, MC4	
Procedure	Challenges p	oer Shipment
	Program Code	
	мсз	MC4
Urine colony count/urine culture identification	2	5
Group A Streptococcus antigen detection*		3
Throat culture/molecular		3

^{*}If your laboratory uses a waived method for Group A *Streptococcus*, these results will not count toward the required five challenges for the subspecialty of bacteriology.

Program Information

- MC3 Two urine specimens with diluents
- MC4 Five urine specimens with diluents, three swab specimens with diluents in duplicate, and three swab specimens for bacterial antigen detection
- Throat swabs compatible with molecular- and culturebased methods
- Three shipments per year





Gram Stain D5			
Procedure	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment	
	D5		
Gram stain and morphology		5	

Program Information

- Five air-dried, methanolfixed, unstained glass slides
- · Three shipments per year





Assessment of Consistency of Gram Stain Morphologic Observations QPD10/QPD25

Introduction

Gram stain is a commonly performed bacterial stain in clinical microbiology laboratories. It is often the starting point guiding microbiological workup and initial clinical diagnosis and therapy. It is important for medical laboratory scientist/technologist staff who read Gram stains to provide an accurate interpretation based on reaction type and microscopic morphology, in order to provide presumptive identifications and quantification of bacteria and fungi in clinical specimens.

Objectives

This study will help assess the effectiveness of educational and practical experience policies and procedures dedicated to the laboratory's efforts in maintaining technologist skills in the morphological assessment of Gram stains. Participation in this study will help management assess the technologist's ability to evaluate Gram stains using online, whole slide images. These cases provide a standardized review and evaluation for each technologist. The study will help management meet applicable CLIA, CAP Laboratory Accreditation Program, and The Joint Commission laboratory requirements for morphology consistency of reporting among staff and personnel competency requirements (testing previously analyzed specimens).*

Data Collection

A series of online, whole slide images of Gram-stained smears using DigitalScope technology will be provided to each participating institution to assess technologists' ability to detect various microorganisms. Technologists will provide information about their work experience related to Gram stains, continuing education, and professional background. Information will be collected from each laboratory site about their continuing education requirements in microbiology and relevant laboratory procedures and policies related to Gram stain assessment. Each technologist will receive their own kit and result form.

Performance Indicators

- Individual technologist score for each Gram stain case, and overall based on a standardized competency assessment method
- Overall laboratory score based on the facility's individual technologist performance(s)

Your Reports - What to Expect

- · A participant summary explaining the grading criteria for each case and how to read the reports
- An institution report with your facility's score summary with comparison to other institutions and a technologist score summary by case for each participant
- An individual report for each participant listing their responses and score for each case
- A data analysis and critique report with analysis of the institution and participant scores, author commentary about each case, and links to annotated slides

Program Information

To meet your staff comparative morphology and technical competency assessment requirements:

- Result forms for up to 10 technologists (QPD10)
- Result forms for up to 25 technologists (QPD25)
- Multiple orders may be purchased to accommodate the quantity of technologist result forms needed.

Preliminary study reports are provided at institution and technologist levels.

*Participation in this study helps laboratories meet:

- CLIA personnel requirements (Subpart M, 42 CFR §493.1)
- CAP Laboratory Accreditation Program Microbiology Checklist statements: MIC.11060, Culture Result Reporting, personnel performing
 Gram stains for this purpose are subject to competency assessment; MIC.11350, Morphologic Observation Evaluation, the laboratory
 evaluates consistency of morphologic observation among personnel performing microscopic analysis (eg, stains, wet preparations) from
 direct specimens and cultured organisms at least annually. The laboratory director or designee must determine acceptability criteria
 for agreement.
- CAP Laboratory Accreditation Program Checklist items: GEN.55500, element 5, Competency Assessment of Testing Personnel; GEN.55525, Performance Assessment of Supervisors/Consultants; DRA.11425, functions or responsibilities are properly performed by a qualified individual.
- The Joint Commission Standards HR.01.05.03, 01.06.01 (EPs 3, 18,19), HR.01.07.01, Pl.03.01.01(EPs 3-5), and LD.04.05.01, 04.05.03 (EPs 1-6) regarding in-service training, continuing education, competency, and evaluation of staff members

This is a one-time study conducted in the fourth quarter.

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Virtual Gram Stain Competency VGS1, VGS2			
Procedure	Program Code Challenges per Shipment		
	VGS1	VGS2	
Virtual gram stain basic			3
Virtual gram stain advanced			3

Additional Information

- Virtual Gram Stain Basic Competency (VGS1) is for general and new laboratory technologists/technicians. Participants will assess the quality of specimens and stains and will report artifacts and detailed gram-positive and gram-negative morphology. Challenges will include specimens such as CSF, body fluids, and positive blood cultures.
- Virtual Gram Stain Advanced Competency (VGS2) is for experienced laboratory technologists/technicians and microbiologists. Participants will receive challenging images of sputum, body fluids, and other specimens to assess the quality, quantity, and typical morphology of both gram-positive and gram-negative organisms appropriate for the site.
- See system requirements on page 12.

Group A Streptococcus antigen detection

Program Information

- VGS1, VGS2 Three online whole slide images
- Results included in the kit to assess personnel competency
- Powered by DigitalScope® technology
- · Two shipments per year

Rapid Group A Strep Antigen Detection D6		
Procedure	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment
	D6	
Group A Streptococcus antigen detection*	I	5

^{*}If your laboratory uses a waived method for Group A Streptococcus, these results will not count toward the required five challenges for the subspecialty of bacteriology.

Program Information

- · Five swab specimens
- Not compatible with molecular- and culturebased methods
- · Three shipments per year



Rapid Group A Strep Antigen Detection, Waived D9 Procedure Program Code Challenges per Shipment D9

- Two swab specimens
- Not compatible with molecular- and culturebased methods
- · Two shipments per year

Group B Strep Detection D8		
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment
	D8	
Group B Streptococcus	ı	5

- Five swab specimens with diluents
- Program includes A549 cells to meet sample adequacy control requirement.
- Compatible with molecularand culture-based methods
- Three shipments per year





Bacterial Antigen Detection LBAS, SBAS			
Procedure	Progra	m Code	Challenges per Shipment
	LBAS	SBAS	
Legionella pneumophila antigen detection			2
Streptococcus pneumoniae antigen detection			2

Program Information

- LBAS, SBAS Two 0.5-mL liquid simulated clinical specimens
- Two shipments per year

Blood Culture BCS		
Procedure	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment
	BCS	
Blood culture bacterial and fungal detection and identification	ı	2

Program Information

- Two specimens with diluents for inoculation of blood culture bottles
- Two shipments per year





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Blood Culture, Staphylococcus aureus BCS1			
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipmer			
	BCS1		
Staphylococcus aureus/MRSA	I	3	

Program Information

- Three specimens with diluents for inoculation of blood culture bottles
- Compatible with molecular methods for detection of S. aureus/MRSA from positive blood culture bottles
- Two shipments per year



Bacterial Blood Culture, Molecular BCM				
Procedure Program Code Challenges per Shipme				
	ВСМ			
Blood culture bacterial identification		5		

Additional Information

- This program is for the identification of gram-positive and gram-negative organisms, including common resistance mechanisms isolated from blood culture bottles.
- This program is not for the inoculation of blood culture bottles.

Program Information

- Five 1.0-mL simulated blood culture fluid specimens
- For laboratories using molecular multiplex panels
- · Three shipments per year

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Blood Culture Contamination QT2

Despite advances in blood culture practices and technology, false-positive blood culture results due to contaminants continue to be a critical problem. Blood culture contamination rate, the primary indicator of preanalytic performance in microbiology, is associated with increased length of hospital stay, additional expense, and inappropriate antibiotic usage. The results of this study may contribute to report findings to hospital/system antibiotic stewardship programs.

The CAP and other accrediting organizations require you to monitor and evaluate key indicators of quality for improvement opportunities. Use this monitor to help meet CAP Laboratory Accreditation Program Checklist statements MIC.22630 and MIC.22635: "The laboratory must determine and regularly review the number of contaminated cultures. Tracking the contamination rate and providing feedback to units and persons drawing cultures is one method that has been shown to reduce contamination rates." This will also help laboratories meet The Joint Commission Standard QSA 04.07.01 EP 3.

Objective

This study will determine the rate of blood culture contamination using standardized criteria for classifying contaminants.

Data Collection

On a monthly basis, participants will tabulate the total number of blood cultures processed and the total number of contaminated blood cultures. Blood cultures from neonatal patients are tabulated separately. For the purposes of this study, participants will consider a blood culture to be contaminated if they find one or more of the following organisms in only one of a series of blood culture specimens: Aerococcus spp., Bacillus spp. (excluding Bacillus anthracis) and related genera, Corynebacterium spp. and related Coryneform genera, Cutibacterium spp. or Propionibacterium spp., Micrococcus spp. and related genera; Rothia mucilaginosa, Coagulase-negative staphylococci, and Streptococcus spp. (viridans group only). Participants have the option to monitor institution-specific subgroups (for example, a specific department or patient population).

Performance Indicators

- Neonatal contamination rate (%)
- Other contamination rate (%)
- Overall contamination rate (%)

Look in e-LAB Solutions Suite for your input forms approximately two weeks before the start of the next quarter.

Bordetella pertussis/parapertussis, Molecular BOR		
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment
	BOR	
Bordetella pertussis		3
Bordetella parapertussis	•	3

- Three swab specimens
- Designed for molecular techniques
- Two shipments per year

Carbapenemase Detection CRE		
Procedure	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment
	CRE	
Resistance mechanism detection		3

- Three swab specimens containing live organisms
- Designed for molecular and phenotypic testing methods
- Challenge isolates may include Enterobacterales, Pseudomonas, or Acinetobacter.
- Two shipments per year



Carbapenem-Resistant Organisms CRO		
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment
	CRO	
KPC	I	3
IMP	1	3
NDM	1	3
OXA-48	I	3
VIM	ı	3

Program Information

- Three 130-µL specimens
- Designed for molecular techniques
- Compatible with Cepheid GeneXpert
- Two shipments per year

Campylobacter CAMP		
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment
	CAMP	
Campylobacter	I	2

Program Information

- Two swabs with diluents in duplicate
- For use with rapid antigen, culture-based testing, and molecular methods
- Two shipments per year





C. difficile, 2 Challenge CDF2			
Analyte	Program Code Challenges per Shipment		
	CDF2		
Clostridioides (Clostridium) difficile antigen/toxin	ı	2	

- Two 0.5-mL lyophilized specimens, for use with rapid or molecular testing methods
- · Two shipments per year

C. difficile, 5 Challenge CDF5					
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipi					
	CDF5				
Clostridioides (Clostridium) difficile antigen/toxin	ı	5			

Program Information

- Five 0.5-mL lyophilized specimens, for use with rapid or molecular testing methods
- · Three shipments per year

C. trachomatis Antigen Detection HC3					
Procedure	Program Code Challenges per Shipment				
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C. trachomatis antigen detection (EIA)*	I	5			

^{*}HC3 will not meet regulatory requirements.

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- Five 2.0-mL liquid specimens for Chlamydia antigen testing by EIA
- · Three shipments per year

Fecal Lactoferrin FLAC				
Analyte	Program Code Challenges per Shipmen			
	FLAC			
Fecal lactoferrin		3		

Program Information

- Three 0.5-mL simulated stool specimens
- For use with rapid methods
- Two shipments per year

Helicobacter pylori Antigen, Stool HPS					
Analyte	nalyte Program Code Challenges per Shipme				
	HPS				
Helicobacter pylori antigen	1	2			

Program Information

- Two 0.5-mL fecal suspensions
- Two shipments per year





Methicillin-Resistant <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> Screen, 2 Challenge MRS					
Procedure Program Code Challenges per Shipment					
	MRS				
MRSA/MSSA detection	detection 2				

- Two swab specimens with diluents
- For laboratories performing culture-based testing only or using culture and molecular testing
- Two shipments per year



MRSA Screen, Molecular, 2 Challenge MRS2M				
Procedure Program Code Challenges per Shipment				
	MRS2M			
MRSA/MSSA/SA detection	I	2		

Program Information

- Two swab specimens (in duplicate)
- For use with molecular methods that detect mecA
- Two shipments per year

Methicillin-Resistant <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> Screen, 5 Challenge MRS5						
Procedure Program Code Challenges per Shipment						
	MRS5					
MRSA/MSSA detection ■ 5						

Program Information

- Five swab specimens with diluents
- For laboratories performing culture-based testing only or using culture and molecular testing
- Three shipments per year



MRSA Screen, Molecular, 5 Challenge MRS5M					
Procedure	Program Code Challenges per Shipment				
	MRS5M				
MRSA/MSSA/SA detection ■ 5					

Program Information

- Five swab specimens (in duplicate)
- For use with molecular methods that detect mecA
- Three shipments per year



Laboratory Preparedness Exercise LPX					
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipment					
	LPX				
Bacterial identification		3			

The Laboratory Preparedness Exercise (LPX) was developed as a collaborative effort between the CAP, the CDC, and the Association of Public Health Laboratories (APHL). Laboratories will be sent live organisms that either exhibit characteristics of bioterrorism agents or demonstrate epidemiologic importance, and will be respond following Laboratory Response Network Sentinel Laboratory Guide bioterrorism agent is suspected. All agents provided are excluded from the agent list. These may include strains of Bacillus anthracis, Yersinia pestis, F tularensis, and Brucella abortus that have been modified and are safe for te laboratory that contains a certified Class II Biological Safety Cabinet and is handling Category A and B agents.

Rapid Urease RUR

Program Code

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Challenges per Shipment

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Program Information

- · Three swab specimens with diluents
- Not available to customers outside the US due to US export law restrictions
- Two shipments per year







Program Information

- Three simulated gastric biopsy specimens
- · For use with rapid urease tests.
- Two shipments per year

Stool Pathogen SP, SPN, SP1				
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipment				Challenges per Shipment
	SP	SPN	SP1	
Adenovirus 40/41**	I			2
C. difficile antigen/toxin**	I			2
Rotavirus**	I			2
Shiga toxin*	I			2
Norovirus				1

^{*}Add-on to other Bacteriology subspecialty program(s).

Program Information

- SP Two 1.0-mL liquid specimens; for use with rapid or molecular testing methods: not available to customers outside the US due to US export law restrictions
- SPN Two 1.0-mL liquid specimens; for use with rapid or molecular testing methods; intended for laboratories outside the US
- SP1 One 1.0-mL liquid specimen compatible with molecular methods only
- · SPN and SP1 Two shipments per year
- · SP Three shipments per year



Analyte

Urease

^{**}To meet CMS and CAP-accredited laboratory regulatory requirements for these analytes, see program CDF5 on page 185, program D on page 175, and program GIP5 on page 212.

Shiga Toxin ST, STX					
Analyte/Procedure	Progra	m Code	Challenges per Shipment		
ST STX NEW					
Shiga toxin					

Add-on to other Bacteriology subspecialty program(s). Participation in ST/STX programs only will not meet CMS requirements.

Program Information

- ST Two 0.5-mL liquid specimens
- STX Two 1.25-mL liquid specimens (intended for Meridian Curian users and laboratories that require extra volume for shiga toxin testing)
- For use with direct shiga toxin testing only; not compatible with culture methods, cytotoxicity assays, or PCR
- Not available to customers outside the US due to US export law restrictions
- Three shipments per year

Bacterial Vaginosis BV			
Procedure	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment	
	BV		
Bacterial vaginosis detection	I	3	

Program Information

- Three 1.0-mL liquid specimens
- For Sekisui OSOM® BVBlue users
- · Two shipments per year

Vaginitis Screen VS, VS1			
Analyte	Progr	am Code	Challenges per Shipment
	VS*	VS1**	
Candida sp.	•		5
Gardnerella vaginalis	•		5
Trichomonas vaginalis ***		I	5

^{*}The biohazard warning applies to program VS.

Program Information

 VS - Five swabs for DNA probe technology; BD Affirm™ VP III probe detection method; three shipments per year



 VS1 - Five swabs for methods such as Sekisui OSOM Trichomonas Rapid Test, Trichomonas vaginalis; three shipments per year



^{**}Molecular users are encouraged to use *Trichomonas vaginalis*, Molecular (TVAG or TVG5), on page 195.

^{***}Trichomonas vaginalis is only reported to CMS for the VS program.

Mycoplasma genitalium, Molecular MGEN				
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipment				
MGEN				
Mycoplasma genitalium ■ 3				

Molecular Vaginal Panel MVP			
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment	
	MVP		
Candida species group	I	5	
Candida krusei	I	5	
Candida glabrata	I	5	
Trichomonas vaginalis ■ 5			
Bacterial vaginosis	I	5	

- Three 1.0-mL liquid specimens
- Designed for molecular techniques
- Two shipments per year

Program Information

- Five 1.0-mL liquid simulated vaginal specimens
- Designed for molecular methods such as BD MAX, Hologic, and Cepheid
- Three shipments per year

C. trachomatis and N. gonorrhoeae by NAA HC6, HC6X, HC7			
Procedure	Progran	n Code	Challenges per Shipment
	HC6*, HC6X* HC7		
Nucleic acid amplification (NAA)	ı		5
Nucleic acid amplification (NAA/DNA)			5

^{*}The biohazard warning applies to programs HC6 and HC6X.

Program Information

- HC6 Three swab specimens and two 1.0-mL liquid simulated urine specimens
- HC6X Three swab specimens and two 1.0-mL liquid simulated urine specimens in duplicate
- Three shipments per year



- HC7 Five 1.5-mL simulated body fluid specimens; designed for Cepheid users
- · Three shipments per year



Sexually Transmitted Infection Detection, Molecular STIM					
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipmer					
STIM					
Chlamydia trachomatis ■ 5					
Neisseria gonorrhoeae 🔹 5					
Mycoplasma genitalium ■ 5					
Trichomonas vaginalis					

- Five 2.0-mL simulated urogenital specimens
- Designed for molecular multiplex methods
- Three shipments per year

Vaginitis Screen, Virtual Gram Stain VS2			
Procedure Program Code Challenges per Shipme			
	VS2		
Interpretation of gram-stained vaginal smears	ı	3	

See system requirements on page 12.

Program Information

- Three online whole slide images
- Powered by DigitalScope technology
- Two activities per year; your CAP shipping contact will be notified via email when the activity is available.

Vancomycin-Resistant Enterococcus VRE			
Procedure	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment	
	VRE		
Vancomycin-resistant <i>Enterococcus</i> (VRE) detection	I	2	

Program Information

- Two swabs with diluents
- For use with molecular methods and culture-based testing
- Two shipments per year





Mycobacteriology

Analytes/procedures in bold type are regulated for proficiency testing by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS).

Mycobacteriology E				
Procedure Program Code Challenges per Shipme				
E				
Acid-fast smear	1	1		
Antimycobacterial susceptibility testing	ı	1 graded, 1 ungraded		
Mycobacterial identification* ■ 5				

^{*}This procedure requires identification of Mycobacterium tuberculosis.

Program Information

- Five simulated clinical isolates with diluents and one specimen for performing an acid-fast bacillus smear
- Identification may be performed by culture or molecular methods.
- · Two shipments per year



Mycobacteriolo	E1	
Procedure	Challenges per Shipment	
Acid-fast smear		5
Mycobacterial culture	5	

Program Information

- Five simulated specimens for acid-fast smears and/or for the determination of the presence or absence of acid-fast bacillus by culture
- · Two shipments per year



Molecular MTB Detection and Resistance MTR5, MTBR			
Procedure Challenges per Shipment			
Program Code			
MTR5 MTBR			
Mycobacterium tuberculosis detection*	5	3	
Rifampin resistance	5	3	

^{*}Mycobacterium tuberculosis detection is only reported to CMS for the MTR5 program.

Program Information

- MTR5 Five 1.25-mL simulated sputum specimens for use with molecular methods
- MTBR Three 1.25-mL simulated sputum specimens for use with molecular methods
- · Not suitable for culture
- Two shipments per year



Mycology

Analytes/procedures in **bold** type are regulated for proficiency testing by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS).

Mycology and Aerobic Actinomycetes F						
Procedure Program Code Challenges per Shipme						
	F					
Antifungal susceptibility testing	l susceptibility testing					
Cryptococcal antigen detection ■ 1						
Mold and yeast identification ■ 5						

Program Information

- Five loops for culture with diluents in duplicate and one 1.0-mL simulated cerebrospinal fluid specimen
- Identification of yeasts, molds, and aerobic actinomycetes may be performed by molecular- and culture-based methods.
- · Three shipments per year





Yeast F1					
Procedure	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment			
	F1				
Antifungal susceptibility testing	1	1			
Cryptococcal antigen detection	1	1			
Yeast identification	I	5			

Program Information

- Five loops for culture with diluents in duplicate and one 1.0-mL simulated cerebrospinal fluid specimen
- Identification of yeast may be performed by molecularand culture-based methods.
- · Three shipments per year



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Candida Culture F3				
Procedure	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment		
	F3			
Yeast identification	I	5		

- Five loops for culture with diluents in duplicate
- · For laboratories identifying Candida sp. only
- · Identification of Candida species may be performed by chromogenic agar, culture, molecular, and rapid methods.
- Three shipments per year



Yeast Blood Culture, Molecular YBC							
Procedure Program Code Challenges per Shipme							
YBC							
Blood culture yeast identification	5						

Additional Information

- · This program is for identification of fungal organisms such as yeast isolated from blood culture bottles.
- This program is not for the inoculation of blood culture bottles.

reast blood culture, molecular TBC						
Procedure	Program Code Challenges per Shipm					
	YBC					
Blood culture yeast identification	ı	5				

Cryptococcal Antigen Detection CRYP				
Procedure	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment		
	CRYP			
Cryptococcal antigen	ı	5		

Galactomannan FGAL						
Analyte	Program Code Challenges per Shipmen					
	FGAL					
Galactomannan - Aspergillus		3				

Program Information

- Five 1.0-mL simulated blood culture fluid specimens
- For laboratories using molecular multiplex panels
- Three shipments per year

Program Information

- Five 1.0-mL simulated cerebrospinal fluids
- Three shipments per year

Program Information

- Three liquid specimens
- · For use with methods such as Bio-Rad Platelia™
- · Two shipments per year



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Fungal Serology FSER						
Procedure	Program Code Challenges per Shipme					
FSER						
Serological detection of specific fungal antibodies	ı	3				

Program Information

- Three serum specimens
- For use with immunodiffusion methods
- Designed for the detection of IgG antibodies to Aspergillus, Blastomyces, Coccidioides, and Histoplasma
- Two shipments per year

Fungal Smear FSM						
Procedure Program Code Challenges per Shipme						
FSM						
KOH preparation/calcofluor white	lcofluor white					

Program Information

- · Three unstained slides
- Two shipments per year

India Ink IND				
Procedure	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment		
India ink	I	2		

Program Information

- Two liquid specimens
- · Two shipments per year

Pneumocystis jirovecii PCP1, PCP2, PCP4					
Procedure Program Code Challenges per Shipment					
	PCP1	PCP2	PCP4		
PCP – Calcofluor white stain				3	
PCP – DFA stain		ı		3	
PCP - GMS stain				3	

Program Information

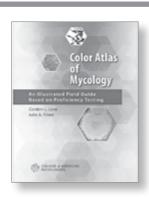
- PCP1, PCP2, PCP4 Three images, each available as photographs and online images for Pneumocystis jirovecii
- Two shipments per year

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Parasitology

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Parasitology P, P3, P4, P5					
Procedure	Procedure Challenges per Shipment				
	Program Code				
	Р	Р3	P4	P5	
Fecal suspension (wet mount)	2	5	2		
Fecal suspension (Giardia and Cryptosporidium immunoassays and/or modified acid-fast stain)	2	1	1	5	
Giemsa-stained blood smear	1				
Preserved slide (for permanent stain)	2		3		

Note: Fecal suspension (wet mount) and Fecal suspension (Giardia and Cyptosporidium immunoassays) in P3 will not meet CMS requirements.

Additional Information

- The proficiency testing materials used for the Parasitology programs contain formalin as a preservative.
- · Number of specimen types are indicated in chart.

Program Information

- P Five specimens consisting of thin and thick films for blood and tissue parasite identification, preserved slides for permanent stain, 0.75-mL fecal suspensions for direct wet mount examination, photographs, and/or online images; two 0.75-mL fecal suspensions for immunoassay and/or MAF
- P3 Five 0.75-mL fecal suspensions for direct wet mount examination, photographs, and/or online images; one 0.75-mL fecal suspension for immunoassay and/or MAF
- P4 Five specimens
 consisting of 0.75-mL
 fecal suspensions
 for direct wet mount
 examination, preserved
 slides for permanent stain,
 photographs, and/or online
 images; one 0.75-mL fecal
 suspension for immunoassay
 and/or MAF
- P5 Five 0.75-mL fecal suspensions for Giardia and Cryptosporidium immunoassays and/or modified acid-fast stain
- · Three shipments per year



Trichomonas vaginalis, Molecular TVAG, TVG5 Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipment TVAG TVG5 Trichomonas vaginalis 3 5

Note: Only analytes in TVG5 will meet CMS requirements for parasite identification.

- TVAG Three 1.5-mL liquid specimens; two shipments per year
- TVG5 Five 1.5-mL liquid specimens; three shipments per year

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Blood Parasite BP				
Procedure Program Code Challenges per Shi				
	ВР			
Blood parasite identification (thin/thick film sets*)	ı	5		

^{*}This program will include corresponding thick films when available.

Program Information

- Five Giemsa-stained blood film sets, photographs, and/or online images
- Percent parasitemia reporting is provided when appropriate for educational purposes.
- A variety of blood parasites, including Plasmodium, Babesia, Trypanosoma, and filarial worms
- Three shipments per year

Rapid Malaria RMAL, RML5			
Analyte Program Code			
	Challenges per Shipment		
	RMAL	RML5	
Rapid malaria detection	3	5	
Plasmodium falciparum only	3	5	

Note: Only analytes in program RML5 will meet CMS requirements for parasite antigen detection.

Program Information

- RMAL Three 0.5-mL antigen specimens; two shipments per year
- RML5 Five 0.5-mL liquid specimens; three shipments per year

Expanded Parasitology PEX					
Procedure Program Code Challenges per Shipme					
PEX					
Parasite identification	ı	3			

This program provides an educational opportunity to challenge laboratory professionals' competency using photo images in the identification of parasites.

Program Information

- Three images, each available as photographs and online images
- · Two shipments per year

Ticks, Mites, and Other Arthropods TMO				
Procedure Program Code Challenges per Shipme				
ТМО				
Tick, mite, and arthropod identification	ı	3		

- Three images, each available as photographs and online images
- · Two shipments per year



Worm Identification WID					
Procedure	ocedure Program Code Challenges per Shipn				
	WID				
Worm identification	3				

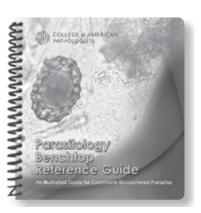
- Three images, each available as photographs and online images
- Two shipments per year

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Virology

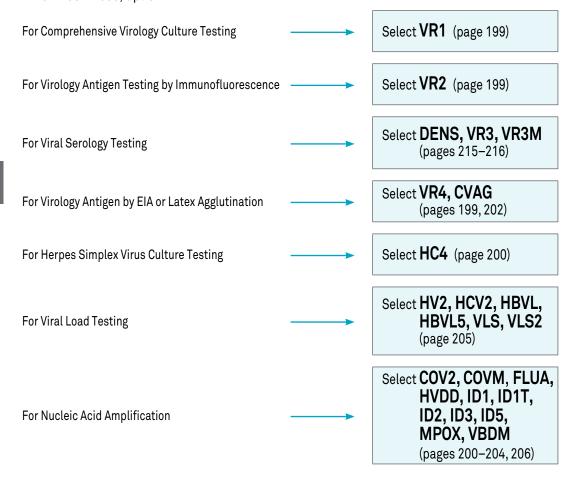
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Guide for Ordering Regulated Virology Programs

Program Code	Procedure	
Flogram Code	Viral Identification	Viral Antigen Detection
VR1	ı	
VR2		ı
VR4		ı
HC4	ı	
ID3	ı	
ID5	ı	
COVM	ı	
CVAG		I

Guide to Virology Testing

Use this flowchart as a guide for ordering the appropriate Virology programs for your laboratory's testing menu. For the subspecialty of virology, participants must test five specimens per mailing. If you have any questions, please call the Customer Contact Center at 800-323-4040 or +1-847-832-7000, Option 1.



Virology Culture VR1					
Procedure Program Code Challenges per Shipment					
VR1					
Chlamydia trachomatis culture	I	1			
Viral isolation/identification	I	5			

- Five 0.5-mL specimens for viral culture and one 0.5-mL specimen for Chlamydia trachomatis culture
- · Three shipments per year



Virology Antigen Detection (DFA) VR2				
Analyte/Procedure	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment		
	VR2	Α	В	С
Adenovirus antigen	I	1	1	
Cytomegalovirus (CMV) antigen	I	1	1	
Herpes simplex virus (HSV) antigen	1		1	1
Influenza A antigen	1	1		1
Influenza B antigen	I		1	
Parainfluenza antigen	1	1		1
Respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) antigen	I	1		1
Varicella-zoster (VZV) antigen	I		1	1
Educational challenge		1		

Program Information

- Five 5-well slide specimens
- Three shipments per year

Virology Antigen Detection (Non-DFA) VR4					
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipmen					
	VR4				
Adenovirus (not 40/41) antigen		5			
Influenza A antigen	•	5			
Influenza B antigen	1	5			
Respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) antigen	•	5			
Rotavirus antigen		5			

Program Information

- Five 1.5-mL specimens
- For use with enzyme immunoassay and/or latex agglutination methods
- Specimens not designed for molecular methods
- Three shipments per year



Herpes Simplex Virus HC4				
Procedure	Program Code Challenges per Shipmen			
	HC4			
Herpes simplex virus (HSV) culture	I	5		

- Five 0.5-mL lyophilized specimens
- Three shipments per year



Human Papillomavirus HPV			
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment	
	HPV		
Human papillomavirus (HPV)	I	2	

For laboratories using Digene, SurePath, and/or ThinPrep collection media, see page 313.

Program Information

- Two simulated cervical specimens contained in Digene transport media
- For Digene Hybrid Capture only
- Two shipments per year

Nucleic Acid Amplification, Viruses ID1, ID1T				
Analyte	Progra	m Code	Challenges per Shipment	
	ID1	ID1T		
Cytomegalovirus (CMV)			1	
Enterovirus			1	
Epstein-Barr virus (EBV)			1	
Herpes simplex virus (HSV)			1	
Human herpesvirus 6 (HHV-6)			1	
Human herpesvirus 8 (HHV-8)			1	
Parvovirus B19			1	
Varicella-zoster virus (VZV)			1	
BK virus		•	1	
JC virus			1	

Program Information

- ID1- Eight 1.0-mL liquid specimens
- ID1T Two 1.0-mL liquid specimens
- Two shipments per year

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Mpox Molecular MPOX		
Procedure Program Code C		Challenges per Shipment
	MPOX	
Monkeypox virus detection	I	3

This program is only available to customers within the US.

Program Information

- Three 1.0-mL simulated body fluid specimens that contain whole killed virus
- A549 cells included in each specimen
- For laboratories using molecular tests
- Two shipments per year

SARS-CoV-2 Molecular COV2			
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipmen			
COV2			
SARS-CoV-2	I	3	

To meet CMS and CAP-accredited laboratory regulatory requirements for these analytes, see program COVM on page 202. For multiple instrument reporting options, see the Quality Cross Check program, COV2Q, below.

Program Information

- Three 1.5-mL liquid simulated respiratory specimens
- Designed for molecular techniques
- Whole genome with sequence targets across all the assay platforms
- Qualitative reporting options available
- Two shipments per year

Quality Cross Check—SARS-CoV-2 Molecular COV2Q		
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment
	COV2Q	
SARS-CoV-2	I	3

This program does not meet regulatory requirements for proficiency testing; see program COV2, above. For additional information about the Quality Cross Check program, see page 36.

- Three 3.2-mL non-infectious liquid specimens that contain the whole SARS-CoV-2 genome
- Designed for molecular techniques
- Report up to three instruments.
- Two shipments per year

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SARS-CoV-2 Molecular, 5 Challenge COVM			
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipment			
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SARS-CoV-2		5	

For multiple instrument reporting options, see the Quality Cross Check program, COV2Q, on page 201.

Program Information

- Five 1.5-mL liquid simulated respiratory specimens
- Designed for molecular techniques
- Whole genome with sequence targets across all the assay platforms
- Qualitative reporting options available
- Three shipments per year

SARS-CoV-2 Antigen COVAG		
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment
COVAG		
SARS-CoV-2 antigen	I	3

To meet CMS and CAP-accredited laboratory regulatory requirements for these analytes, see program CVAG below. For multiple instrument reporting options, see the Quality Cross Check program, COVAQ, below.

Program Information

- Three 0.5-mL simulated respiratory specimens
- · Designed for antigen test
- Two shipments per year

SARS-CoV-2 Antigen, 5 Challenge CVAG				
Analyte	te Program Code Challenges per Shipment			
CVAG				
SARS-CoV-2 antigen	I	5		

For multiple instrument reporting options, see the Quality Cross Check program, COVAQ, below.

Program Information

- Five 0.5-mL simulated respiratory specimens
- Designed for antigen test
- · Three shipments per year

Quality Cross Check—SARS-CoV-2 Antigen COVAQ

Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment
	COVAQ	
SARS-CoV-2 antigen	I	3

This program does not meet regulatory requirements for proficiency testing; see program COVAG, above. For additional information about the Quality Cross Check program, see page 36.

- Three 0.5-mL simulated respiratory specimens in triplicate
- Report up to three instruments.
- · Two shipments per year

SARS-CoV-2 Serology COVS		
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment
	covs	
SARS-CoV-2 antibody (total, IgG, IgM, and IgA)	ı	3

- Three 0.5-mL serum specimens
- Appropriate for assays that detect antibodies to nucleocapsid, spike, combined antigen (nucleocapsid and spike), and the receptor binding domain of the spike protein
- Two shipments per year

Nucleic Acid Amplification, Respiratory ID2		
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipm		
	ID2	
Adenovirus		1
Coronavirus/Rhinovirus*		1
Human metapneumovirus (HMPV)	•	1
Influenza virus*	I	1
Parainfluenza virus		1
Respiratory syncytial virus (RSV)		1

- *Coronavirus/Rhinovirus and Influenza virus will be included in the following shipments:
 - Shipment A: Coronavirus and Influenza A (does not include SARS-CoV-2)
 - Shipment B: Rhinovirus and Influenza B

For H5N1 Influenza A Detection and Subtyping program, FLUA, see page 204.

Nucleic Acid Amplification, Respiratory Limited ID3		
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment
	ID3	
Influenza A virus		5
Influenza B virus		5
Respiratory syncytial virus (RSV)		5
SARS-CoV-2		5

Additional Information

- This program does not contain human genome material or sequences from human RNase P gene.
- For multiple instrument reporting options, see the Quality Cross Check program, ID3Q, on page 204.
- For H5N1 Influenza A Detection and Subtyping program, FLUA, see page 204.

Program Information

- Six 1.0-mL liquid specimens
- Two shipments per year

- Five 1.0-mL liquid specimens
- Designed for molecular multiplex panel users
- Three shipments per year

Quality Cross Check—Nucleic Acid Amplification, Respiratory Limited ID3Q **Analyte Program Code** Challenges per Shipment ID3Q Influenza A virus 3 Influenza B virus 3 Respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) 3 SARS-CoV-2 3

Additional Information

- This program does not contain human genome material or sequences from human RNase P gene.
- This program does not meet regulatory requirements for proficiency testing; see program ID3, on page 203. For additional information about the Quality Cross Check program, see page 36.

Program	Information

- · Three 1.0-mL liquid specimens
- Designed for molecular multiplex panel users
- · Report up to three instruments.
- · Two shipments per year

H5N1 Influenza A Detection and Subtyping FLUA		NEW
Analyte/Procedure	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment
	FLUA	
Influenza A detection	I	2
Influenza A subtyping		2

This program is only available to customers within the US.

HSV, VZV	—Molecular ID5	5
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment
	ID5	
Herpes simplex virus (HSV)	I	5
Varicella-zoster virus (VZV)	1	5

Program Information

- Two 1.5-mL liquid specimens
- Includes Avian Influenza A (H5N1) and other seasonal Influenza A strains
- · Two shipments per year

HSV, VZV—Molecular ID5			
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipmen	
	ID5		
Herpes simplex virus (HSV)		5	
Varicella-zoster virus (VZV)		5	

Program Information

- Five 1.0-mL liquid specimens
- · Designed for molecular techniques
- Three shipments per year

HIV-1/HIV-2 Qualitative Detection and Differentiation, Molecular HVDD			
Analyte/Procedure	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment	
	HVDD		
HIV-1 RNA virus detection		3	
HIV-2 RNA virus detection		3	

- · Three 1.5-mL liquid specimens
- Designed for molecular techniques that detect and differentiate between HIV-1 and HIV-2 virus
- Two shipments per year

HIV Viral Load HV2, HIVG			
Procedure	Progra	m Code	Challenges per Shipment
	HV2	HIVG	
HIV-RNA viral load			5
Human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) genotyping*			1

^{*}HIV genotyping is for laboratories reporting reverse transcriptase, protease, and/or integrase mutations.

- HV2 Five 2.5-mL liquid specimens
- HIVG One 1.0-mL liquid specimen
- Three shipments per year

Hepatitis Viral Load HCV2, HBVL, HBVL5				
Procedure	Ch	Challenges per Shipment		
	Program Code			
	HCV2 HBVL HBVL5			
HCV genotyping	1			
HCV, qualitative	1			
HCV viral load	5			
HBV viral load		3	5	

Procedure	Ch	Challenges per Shipment		
	Program Code			
	HCV2	HBVL	HBVL5	
HCV genotyping	1			
HCV, qualitative	1			
HCV viral load	5			
HBV viral load		3	5	

Viral Load VLS, VLS2

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Program Code

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Procedure

viral load

BK viral load

Adenovirus viral load

Cytomegalovirus (CMV) viral load

Epstein-Barr virus (EBV) viral load

Human herpesvirus 6 (HHV-6)

Challenges per Shipment

2

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Program Information

- HCV2 Five 1.5-mL liquid plasma specimens; three shipments per year
- HBVL Three 1.5-mL plasma specimens; two shipments per year
- HBVL5 Five 1.5-mL plasma specimens; three shipments per year

- VLS Six 1.0-mL liquid specimens; two shipments per year
- VLS2 Ten 2.0-mL liquid specimens; three shipments per year

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Viral Load Calibration Verification/Linearity LN38, LN39, LN45, LN52 Analyte **Program Code** LN38 LN39 LN45 LN52 **Target Ranges** Cytomegalovirus (CMV) ı 316.0-8.0M IU/mL viral load HIV viral load ı 50.0-5.0M IU/mL Hepatitis C (HCV) viral load 50.0-280.0M IU/mL Hepatitis B (HBV) viral load 1.3 log-8.5 log IU/mL

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Program Information

- LN38 Six 1.5-mL liquid plasma specimens
- LN39 Six 2.5-mL liquid plasma specimens
- LN45 Seven 2.5-mL frozen DNA specimens
- LN52 Seven 2.5-mL frozen DNA specimens
- Two shipments per year; LN45 and LN52 ship on dry ice

Vector-Borne Disease—Molecular VBDM			
Analyte	Program Code Challenges per Shipmen		
	VBDM		
Zika virus		3	

Program Information

- Three 1.5-mL liquid specimens
- Two shipments per year



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Multidiscipline Microbiology

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Guide for Ordering Regulated Molecular Multidiscipline Programs

Program Code	Procedure			
	Bacterial Identification	Viral Identification	Fungal Identification	Parasite Identification
IDR				
GIP5				
IDM5				
IDPN				
MVP				
STIM				
VS				

Nucleic Acid Amplification, Organisms IDO, IDN			
Analyte/Procedure	Program Code		Challenges per Shipment
	IDO	IDN	
Bordetella pertussis/parapertussis			1
Legionella pneumophila/Chlamydia pneumoniae*		•	1
MRSA		•	1
Molecular typing (bacterial isolates)		I	1
Mycobacterium tuberculosis			1
Mycoplasma pneumoniae		•	1
Vancomycin-resistant <i>Enterococcus</i> (VRE)			1

Program Information

- IDO Seven liquid or swab simulated clinical isolate specimens and two diluents
- IDN Six liquid or swab simulated clinical isolate specimens and two diluents; designed for international laboratories that cannot receive MTB
- · Two shipments per year



- *Legionella pneumophila/Chlamydia pneumoniae will be included in the following shipments:
 - Shipment A: Chlamydia pneumoniae
 - Shipment B: Legionella pneumophila

Joint Infection Panel JIP			
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment	
	JIP		
Anaerococcus prevotii/vaginalis	ı	5	
Bacteroides fragilis	ı	5	
Candida albicans	ı	5	
Citrobacter spp.	ı	5	
Cutibacterium avidum/granulosum	ı	5	
Enterobacter cloacae complex	1	5	
Enterococcus faecalis	1	5	
Enterococcus faecium	1	5	
Escherichia coli	ı	5	
Finegoldia magna	ı	5	
Haemophilus influenzae	ı	5	
Kingella kingae	ı	5	
Klebsiella aerogenes	ı	5	
Klebsiella pneumoniae group	1	5	
Morganella morganii	ı	5	
Neisseria gonorrhoeae	ı	5	
Parvimonas micra	1	5	
Peptoniphilus spp.	1	5	
Peptostreptococcus anaerobius	1	5	
Proteus spp.	1	5	
Pseudomonas aeruginosa	1	5	
Salmonella spp.	ı	5	
Serratia marcescens	1	5	
Staphylococcus aureus	1	5	
Staphylococcus lugdunensis	1	5	
Streptococcus agalactiae	1	5	
Streptococcus pneumoniae	1	5	
Streptococcus pyogenes	I	5	

- Five 0.5-mL liquid specimens
- Designed for molecular multiplex panel users
- Program challenges may contain the following antimicrobial resistance genes on a rotational basis: CTX-M, IMP, KPC, mecA/C and MREJ, NDM, OXA-48like, vanA/B, and VIM.
- Three shipments per year

Meningitis/Encephalitis Panel IDME, IDM5			
Analyte	Challenges	Challenges per Shipment	
	Progr	am Code	
	IDME	IDM5	
Escherichia coli K1	3	5	
Haemophilus influenzae	3	5	
Listeria monocytogenes	3	5	
Neisseria meningitidis	3	5	
Streptococcus agalactiae	3	5	
Streptococcus pneumoniae	3	5	
Cytomegalovirus (CMV)	3	5	
Enterovirus	3	5	
Herpes simplex virus 1 (HSV-1)	3	5	
Herpes simplex virus 2 (HSV-2)	3	5	
Human herpesvirus 6 (HHV-6)	3	5	
Human parechovirus (PeV)	3	5	
Varicella-zoster virus (VZV)	3	5	
Cryptococcus neoformans/gattii	3	5	

Note: IDM5 analytes will meet CMS requirements for bacteriology, fungal, and virology identification. For programs that include more than one subspecialty of microbiology, per CLIA, your laboratory is required to test five specimens, three times a year, for each subspecialty your laboratory performs.

- IDME Three 1.0-mL liquid specimens; two shipments per year
- IDM5 Five 1.0-mL liquid specimens; three shipments per year
- Designed for molecular multiplex panel users

Infectious Disease, Respiratory Panel IDR			
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment	
	IDR		
Adenovirus		5	
Bocavirus		5	
Bordetella (pertussis, parapertussis, bronchiseptica, holmesii)	ı	5	
Chlamydia pneumoniae		5	
Coronavirus		5	
Human metapneumovirus (HMPV)		5	
Influenza A		5	
Influenza B		5	
Legionella pneumophila		5	
Mycoplasma pneumoniae		5	
Parainfluenza		5	
Respiratory syncytial virus (RSV)		5	
Rhinovirus/Enterovirus		5	
SARS-CoV-2*		5	

 $^{{\}rm *SARS\text{-}CoV\text{-}2}$ specimens do not contain human genome material or sequences from the human RNase P gene.

Additional Information

- For programs that include more than one subspecialty of microbiology, per CLIA, your laboratory is required to test five specimens, three times a year, for each subspecialty your laboratory performs.
- For H5N1 Influenza A Detection and Subtyping program, FLUA, see page 204.

- Five 1.0-mL liquid specimens
- Designed for molecular multiplex panel users
- Three shipments per year



Infectious Disease, Pneumonia Panel IDPN			
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment	
	IDPN		
Acinetobacter calcoaceticus-baumannii complex	•	5	
Adenovirus	•	5	
Coronavirus*		5	
Chlamydia pneumoniae		5	
Enterobacter cloacae complex		5	
Escherichia coli		5	
Haemophilus influenzae	•	5	
Human metapneumovirus (HMPV)	•	5	
Rhinovirus/Enterovirus	•	5	
Influenza A		5	
Influenza B	•	5	
Klebsiella aerogenes	•	5	
Klebsiella oxytoca		5	
Klebsiella pneumoniae group	•	5	
Legionella pneumophila	•	5	
Moraxella catarrhalis	•	5	
Mycoplasma pneumoniae	•	5	
Parainfluenza virus	•	5	
Proteus spp.	•	5	
Pseudomonas aeruginosa	•	5	
Respiratory syncytial virus (RSV)	•	5	
Serratia marcescens	•	5	
Staphylococcus aureus	•	5	
Streptococcus agalactiae		5	
Streptococcus pneumoniae		5	
Streptococcus pyogenes	•	5	

^{*}Laboratories performing SARS-CoV-2 testing, see the COVM/COV2 program on pages 201–202. Includes antimicrobial resistance genes, as appropriate. For programs that include more than one subspecialty of microbiology, per CLIA, your laboratory is required to test five specimens, three times a year, for each subspecialty your laboratory performs.

- Five 1.0-mL liquid specimens
- Designed for molecular multiplex panel users
- · Three shipments per year

Gastrointestinal Panel GIP, GIP5		
Analyte	Challenges per Shipment	
	Program Code	
	GIP	GIP5
Adenovirus	3	5
Astrovirus	3	5
Campylobacter	3	5
Clostridioides (Clostridium) difficile, toxin A/B	3	5
Cryptosporidium	3	5
Cyclospora cayetanensis	3	5
Entamoeba histolytica	3	5
Enteroaggregative <i>E. coli</i> (EAEC)	3	5
Enteropathogenic E. coli (EPEC)	3	5
Enterotoxigenic E. coli (ETEC) LT/ST	3	5
Escherichia coli 0157	3	5
Giardia duodenalis (lamblia)	3	5
Norovirus GI/GII	3	5
Plesiomonas shigelloides	3	5
Rotavirus A	3	5
Salmonella	3	5
Sapovirus	3	5
Shiga-like toxin producing E. coli (STEC) stx1/stx2	3	5
Shigella/Enteroinvasive E. coli (EIEC)	3	5
Shigella	3	5
Vibrio cholerae/Vibrio group	3	5
Yersinia enterocolitica	3	5

Note: GIP5 analytes will meet CMS requirements for bacteriology, parasitology, and virology identification. For programs that include more than one subspecialty of microbiology, per CLIA, your laboratory is required to test five specimens, three times a year, for each subspecialty your laboratory performs.

- GIP Three 1.0-mL simulated stool specimens; two shipments per year
- GIP5 Five 1.0-mL simulated stool specimens; three shipments per year
- Designed for molecular multiplex panel users
- Not available to customers outside the US due to US export law restrictions

Gastrointestinal Panel, Global GIPN		
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment
	GIPN	
Adenovirus	I	5
Astrovirus	ı	5
Campylobacter	I	5
Clostridiodes (Clostridium) difficile toxin A/B	ı	5
Cryptosporidium	I	5
Cyclospora cayetanensis	I	5
Entamoeba histolytica	I	5
Enteroaggregative E. coli (EAEC)	I	5
Enteropathogenic E. coli (EPEC)	I	5
Enterotoxigenic E. coli (ETEC) LT/ST	I	5
Giardia duodenalis (lamblia)	I	5
Norovirus GI/GII	I	5
Plesiomonas shigelloides	I	5
Rotavirus A	ı	5
Salmonella	I	5
Sapovirus	I	5
Shigella/Enteroinvasive E. coli (EIEC)	ı	5
Shigella	I	5
Yersinia enterocolitica	I	5

To meet CMS and CAP-accredited laboratory regulatory requirements for these analytes, see program GIP5 on page 212.

- Five 1.0-mL simulated stool specimens
- Three shipments per year
- Intended for laboratories outside the US

Vaginitis Screen VS, VS1			
Analyte	Program Code		Challenges per Shipment
	VS*	VS1**	
Candida sp.			5
Gardnerella vaginalis			5
Trichomonas vaginalis ***		ı	5

^{*}The biohazard warning applies to program VS.

 VS - Five swabs for DNA probe technology; BD Affirm™ VP III probe detection method; three shipments per year



 VS1 - Five swabs for methods such as Sekisui OSOM Trichomonas Rapid Test, Trichomonas vaginalis; three shipments per year

Molecular Vaginal Panel MVP			
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment	
	MVP		
Candida species group	I	5	
Candida krusei	I	5	
Candida glabrata	I	5	
Trichomonas vaginalis	I	5	
Bacterial vaginosis	I	5	

Program Information

- Five 1.0-mL liquid simulated vaginal specimens
- Designed for molecular methods such as BD MAX, Hologic, and Cepheid
- Three shipments per year

Sexually Transmitted Infection Detection, Molecular STIM			
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment	
	STIM		
Chlamydia trachomatis	1	5	
Neisseria gonorrhoeae	1	5	
Mycoplasma genitalium	1	5	
Trichomonas vaginalis	1	5	

Program Information

- Five 2.0-mL simulated urogenital specimens
- Designed for molecular multiplex methods
- Three shipments per year



^{**}Molecular users are encouraged to use *Trichomonas vaginalis*, Molecular (TVAG or TVG5), on page 195.

^{***}Trichomonas vaginalis is only reported to CMS for the VS program.

Infectious Disease Serology

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Infectious Disease Serology VR3, VR3M					
Analyte	Progra	m Code	Challenges per Shipment		
	VR3	VR3M			
Cytomegalovirus (CMV) – IgG, IgM, and total antibodies	•		1		
Epstein-Barr virus (EBV) – VCA – IgG, IgM EBNA – IgG, IgM, and total antibodies EA – IgG	•		1		
Helicobacter pylori – IgG, IgA, and total antibodies	•		1		
Herpes simplex virus (HSV) – IgG antibody			1		
Mycoplasma pneumoniae — IgG, IgM, and total antibodies	ı		1		
Mumps – IgG			1		
Rubeola virus (English measles) – IgG antibody	ı		1		
Toxoplasma gondii — IgG, IgM, and total antibodies	ı		1		
Varicella-zoster virus (VZV) — IgG and total antibodies	ı		1		

Program Information

- VR3 Eight 0.5-mL lyophilized defibrinated plasma specimens
- VR3M One 0.5-mL lyophilized defibrinated plasma specimen
- Two shipments per year

Tick-Transmitted Diseases TTD				
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment		
	TTD			
Antibodies to tick-transmitted disease organisms	•	3		

- Three 0.4-mL liquid specimens
- Designed for the detection of antibodies to Borrelia burgdorferi, Babesia microti, and Anaplasma phagocytophilum
- Two shipments per year



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Dengue Virus	NEW	
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment
	DENS	
Dengue IgG		3
Dengue IgM	I	3

Program Information

- Three 0.75-mL liquid specimens
- Designed for the detection of antibodies to Dengue virus
- · Two shipments per year

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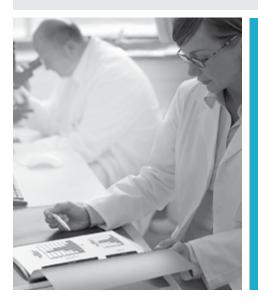
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Immunology

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Immunology ANA, ASO, CRP, HCG, IM, RF/RFX, RUB/RUBX, IL									
Analyte	Program Code Challenges per Shipment				Challenges per Shipment				
	ANA	AS0	CRP	HCG	IM	RF/ RFX	RUB/ RUBX	IL	
Antinuclear antibody (ANA)*	•							ı	5
Antistreptolysin 0 (AS0)*		ı						ı	5
C-reactive protein, qualitative/quantitative			ı					ı	2
Human chorionic gonadotropin (hCG), serum, qualitative/quantitative								•	5
Infectious mononucleosis	■ ■ 5								
Rheumatoid factor*	I 5								
Rubella (IgG)*							ı	I	5

^{*}These CLIA-required analytes may be reported as qualitative, titer, or quantitative. The quantitative results are not reported to CMS.

Program Information

- ANA, RUB Five 0.5-mL serum specimens
- ANA Three online educational pattern interpretation challenges per year
- ASO, HCG, RF Five 1.0-mL serum specimens
- CRP Two 0.5-mL serum specimens; not appropriate for high-sensitivity CRP (hsCRP) methods
- IM Five 0.6-mL serum specimens
- RFX All program RF specimens in duplicate
- RUBX All program RUB specimens in duplicate
- IL All immunology specimens except RFX and RUBX
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- Three shipments per year

Immunology, General IG/IGX						
Analyte	Program Code Challenges per Shipm					
	IG/IGX					
Alpha-1 antitrypsin	•	5				
Complement C3	•	5				
Complement C4		5				
Haptoglobin		5				
IgA	•	5				
IgE		5				
IgG		5				
IgM		5				
Total kappa/lambda ratio		5				

- IG Ten 1.0-mL serum specimens
- IGX All program IG specimens in duplicate
- Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- · Three shipments per year

Immunology, Special and <i>H. pylori</i> IgG Antibody S2, S4, S5				
Analyte		Program (Code	Challenges per Shipment
	S2 Special	S4 Special, Limited	S5 <i>H. pylori</i> IgG Antibody	
Anticentromere antibody	I			2
Anti-DNA antibody double-stranded	ı	ı		2
Antiglomerular basement membrane (GBM), IgG antibody	•			2
Antimitochondrial antibody	ı			2
Antineutrophil cytoplasmic antibody (ANCA, anti-MPO, anti-PR3)	•			2
Anti-RNP antibody	ı			2
Anti-Ro52 antibody	ı			2
Anti-Ro60 antibody	ı			2
Anti-Sm antibody	ı			2
Anti-Sm/RNP antibody	ı			2
Antismooth muscle antibody	ı			2
Anti-SSA antibody	ı			2
Anti-SSB antibody	•			2
Anti-SSA/SSB antibody	ı			2
Antithyroglobulin antibody	ı	•		2
Antithyroid peroxidase antibody/ Antithyroid microsomal antibody	•	•		2
Ceruloplasmin	ı	ı		2
Haptoglobin	I	•		2
Helicobacter pylori, IgG antibody	ı	•	I	2
IgD	ı	•		2
lgG	ı	•		2
IgG subclass proteins	ı	•		2
Prealbumin (transthyretin)	ı	•		2
Total kappa/lambda ratio	ı	•		2
Transferrin	•	ı		2

Program S2 is not appropriate for antimitochondrial antibody assays that are specific for the M2 antibody. Refer to program H on page 220.

Infectious Mononucleosis, Waived IMW						
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipment						
IMW						
Infectious mononucleosis, waived ■ 3						

Program Information

- S2 Twenty-two (0.5- to 1.0-mL) serum specimens
- S4 Eight (0.5- to 1.0-mL) serum specimens
- S5 Two 1.0-mL serum specimens
- · Two shipments per year

- Three 0.6-mL serum specimens
- Two shipments per year

Antichromatin antibody

Analyte

Analyte

Alpha-2-Macroglobulin A2MG					
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipmer					
A2MG					
Alpha-2-macroglobulin		3			

Alpha-2-macroglobulin Antichromatin Antibody ACA Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipment

ACA

3

Challenges per Shipment

Challenges per Shipment

2

2

Antifilamentous Actin IgG Antibody FCN Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipment FCN Antifilamentous actin (f-actin) IgG antibody 3

Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipment AHT Antihistone antibody Antimitochondrial M2 Antibody H

Antihistone Antibody AHT

	Н			
Antimitochondrial M2 antibody (AMA-M2)	ı	2		
Autoimmune Gastritis Markers APC				

Program Code

Program Code

APC

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Program Information

- Three 0.5-mL serum specimens
- · Two shipments per year

Program Information

- Three 0.5-mL serum specimens
- · Two shipments per year

Program Information

- Three 0.5-mL serum specimens
- Two shipments per year

Program Information

- Three 0.5-mL serum specimens
- Two shipments per year

Program Information

- Two 1.0-mL serum specimens
- Two shipments per year

Program Information

- Two 1.0-mL serum specimens
- · Two shipments per year

Antiparietal cell antibody

Anti-intrinsic factor antibody

Antiphospholipid Antibody ACL				
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment		
	ACL			
Anticardiolipin antibody (polyclonal, lgG, lgM, and lgA)	•	3		
Beta-2-glycoprotein I (polyclonal, lgG, lgM, and lgA)		3		

- Three 0.5-mL lyophilized serum specimens
- Two shipments per year

Antiphosphatidylserine Antibody APS					
Analyte Program Code Challenges per S					
	APS				
Anticardiolipin antibody (polyclonal, IgG, IgM, and IgA)	1	3			
Antiphosphatidylserine antibody (IgG, IgM, and IgA)	1	3			
Beta-2-glycoprotein I (polyclonal, IgG, IgM, and IgA)	1	3			
Antiphosphatidylserine/prothrombin antibody (aPS/PT)	1	3			

Program Information

- Three 0.5-mL lyophilized serum specimens
- Two shipments per year

Antiribosomal P Antibody ARP			
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipme			
ARP			
Antiribosomal P antibody		3	

Anti-Saccharomyces cerevisiae Antibody ASC Analyte **Program Code** Challenges per Shipment ASC Anti-Saccharomyces cerevisiae antibody 2 ı (lgG and lgA)

Program Information

- Three 0.5-mL serum specimens
- Two shipments per year

- Two 1.0-mL serum specimens
- · Two shipments per year

Celiac Serology CES/CESX			
Analyte	Program Code		Challenges per Shipment
	CES	CESX	
Antiendomysial antibody (IgA and IgG)	ı	I	3
Antiendomysial antibody screen (IgA and IgG)	ı	I	3
Antigliadin antibody (IgA and IgG)	ı	I	3
Antideamidated gliadin peptide (DGP) antibody (IgA and IgG)	1		3
Anti-DGP antibody screen (IgA and IgG)	ı	I	3
Antitissue transglutaminase (tTG) antibody (IgA and IgG)	1		3
Anti-DGP and anti-tTG antibody screen (IgA and IgG)	ı		3

- CES Three 0.3-mL serum specimens
- CESX All program CES specimens in triplicate
- Two shipments per year

Cyclic Citrullinated Peptide Antibody (Anti-CCP) CCP		
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment
	ССР	
Anti-CCP	•	2
Rheumatoid factor isotypes (IgA, IgM, and IgG)		2

Cyclic Citrullinated Peptide Antibody (Anti-CCP) CCP		
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment
	CCP	
Anti-CCP		2
Rheumatoid factor isotypes (IgA, IgM, and IgG)	ı	2

Cytokines	CTKN	
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment
	CTKN	
Interleukin (IL)-1 beta	•	3
IL-2	I	3
IL-6	I	3
IL-8	•	3
IL-10	I	3
Tumor necrosis factor (TNF)-alpha		3
Vascular endothelial growth factor (VEGF)	I	3

Program Information

- Two 1.0-mL serum specimens
- Two shipments per year

- Fifteen 2.0-mL lyophilized serum specimens
- Two shipments per year

Diagnostic Allergy SE			
Analyte/Procedure	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment	
	SE		
IgE, multiallergen screen, qualitative		5	
IgE, total		5	
Specific allergens		25	

- Five 2.0-mL serum specimens
- Includes common allergens from North America as well as less-frequently tested allergens
- Three shipments per year

High-Sensitivity C-reactive Protein HSCRP				
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipmen				
HSCRP				
High-sensitivity C-reactive protein		5		

Program Information

- Five 0.5-mL liquid serum specimens
- Three shipments per year

Liver-Kidney Microsomal Antibody (Anti-LKM) LKM		
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shi		
	LKM	
Anti-LKM		2

Program Information

• Two 0.3-mL serum specimens

Program Information • Two 1.0-mL lyophilized serum specimens and one lyophilized mitogen control

· Two shipments per year

· Two shipments per year

<i>M. tuberculosi</i> s-Stimulated Infection Detection QF			
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipme			
	QF		
M. tuberculosis		2	

This program is appropriate for the Autobio AutoLumo series, BioMerieux Vidas TB IGRA, QIAGEN QuantiFERON®-TB Gold and Gold Plus, DiaSorin Liaison QuantiFERON-TB Gold Plus, and SD Biosensor Standard methods.

M. tuberculosis-Stimulated intection Detection QF		
nalyte Program Code Challenges per Shipmen		
	QF	
l. tuberculosis	ı	2

Program Information

- Two 1.0-mL serum
- · Two shipments per year

Rheumatic Disease Special Serologies RDS Analyte **Program Code** Challenges per Shipment **RDS** 1 Anti-Jo-1 (antihistidyl t-RNA synthetase) ı 1 Anti-Scl-70 (anti-DNA topoisomerase) ı

- specimens

SARS-CoV-2 Serology COVS		
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment
	covs	
SARS-CoV-2 antibody (total, IgG, IgM, and IgA)		3

- Three 0.5-mL serum specimens
- Appropriate for assays that detect antibodies to nucleocapsid, spike, combined antigen (nucleocapsid and spike), and the receptor binding domain of the spike protein
- Two shipments per year

Dengue Virus Serology DENS			
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment	
	DENS		
Dengue IgG		3	
Dengue IgM		3	

Program Information

- Three 0.75-mL liquid specimens
- Designed for the detection of antibodies to Dengue virus
- Two shipments per year

Syphilis Serology G				
Analyte	Program Code Challenges per Shipment			
	G			
Syphilis 5				

Use with VDRL, RPR, MHA-TP/TP-PA/PK-TP/TPHA, EIA, CMIA, multiplex flow immunoassay, TP-LIA IgG, FTA-ABS, and USR methods. Laboratories performing syphilis serology on CSF specimens may also use this program.

Program Information

- Five 1.5-mL serum specimens
- Three shipments per year

Thyroid Stimulating Hormone (TSH) Receptor Binding Antibody TSHR					
Analyte	alyte Program Code Challenges per Shipmer				
TSHR					
TSH receptor binding antibody		3			

This program is not appropriate for use with TSI assays, which specifically detect thyroid stimulating antibodies.

Total Hemolytic Complement CH50				
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipme				
CH50				
Total hemolytic complement, 50% lysis		2		

Program Information

NIEW

- Three 0.5-mL serum specimens
- · Two shipments per year

- Two 0.5-mL lyophilized serum specimens
- Two shipments per year

Viscosity V			
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Ship			
Viscosity	I	2	

Viscosity V				
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipme				
	V			
Viscosity		2		
•				

Serum Free Light Chains SFLC				
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipm				
	SFLC			
Kappa serum free light chain		3		
Lambda serum free light chain		3		
Kappa/lambda serum free light chain ratio and ratio interpretation		3		

- Two 10.0-mL serum specimens
- · Two shipments per year

Program Information

- Three 1.0-mL serum specimens
- · Two shipments per year

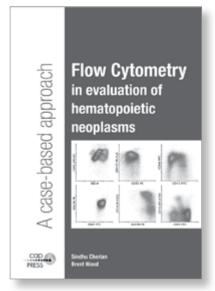
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Flow Cytometry

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Flow Cytometry FL, FL1, FL2				
Procedure	Pr	Program Code Challenges per Shipment		
	FL	FL1	FL2	
DNA content and cell cycle analysis	ı		I	3
Lymphocyte immunophenotyping	ı			3

These programs are not appropriate for hematology analyzers with monoclonal antibody analysis.

Program Information

- FL1 Three 1.5-mL whole blood specimens
- FL2 Three 1.1-mL specimens; two fixed cell line specimens and one calibrator for DNA content and cell cycle analysis
- FL All program FL1 and FL2 specimens
- · Three shipments per year

Flow Cytometry—Immunophenotypic Characterization of Leukemia/Lymphoma FL3				
Procedure Program Code Challenges per Shipmen				
FL3				
Leukemia/lymphoma	I	2		

Additional Information

- Program FL3 is suitable for laboratories that perform technical and interpretive components of leukemia/lymphoma specimens or laboratories that perform the technical component only. This program satisfies proficiency testing requirements for laboratories performing general analysis of leukemia/lymphoma specimens.
- Laboratories that provide only interpretation (without technical component) should order program FL5 (see page 227).
- This program has stability of two days or less. The CAP cannot guarantee
 performance or offer credits for orders placed for shipment outside of the US and
 Canada.

- Two 1.1-mL specimens containing a cell line/whole blood mixture simulating leukemia/lymphoma with clinical histories and pertinent laboratory data
- · Two shipments per year



Flow Cytometry, CD34+ FL4				
Analyte	e Program Code Challenges per Shipmen			
	FL4			
CD34+	ı	2		

- Two 1.5-mL stabilized human CD34+ specimens
- Two shipments per year

Flow Cytometry, Interpretation Only FL5		
Procedure Program Code Challenges per Shipm		
	FL5	
Flow cytometry, interpretation only of leukemia/lymphoma	1	3

- Program FL5 is suitable for laboratories that provide only interpretation of flow data with technical component performed at an outside laboratory.
- This program may be ordered by laboratories that perform both technical and interpretation components and are interested in obtaining additional interpretive material.

Program Information

- Three online cases
 consisting of gated dot
 plots, clinical histories, and
 pertinent laboratory data;
 online images of tissue
 sections, bone marrow, and/
 or peripheral blood smears
 as clinically relevant and/or
 available
- Two online activities per year; your CAP shipping contact will be notified <u>via email</u> when the activity is available.



Flow Cytometry—Post-immunotherapy Analysis FL6		
Procedure	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment
	FL6	
Post-immunotherapy flow cytometry analysis	ı	3

Additional Information

- Program FL6 is appropriate for laboratories that perform flow cytometry analysis on specimens from patients treated with immunotherapy regimens that cause immunophenotypic changes to normal and/or neoplastic cells. These include anti-CD20 (rituximab), anti-CD19 (CAR T19), and anti-CD38 therapies (daratumumab), among others.
- Participation in this program alone does not satisfy proficiency testing requirements for laboratories performing more general analysis of leukemia/ lymphoma specimens.

- Three online cases consisting of gated dot plots, clinical histories, and pertinent laboratory data
- Two online activities per year; your CAP shipping contact will be notified <u>via email</u> when the activity is available.

Hematopathology Onlin	e Education H	IPATH/HPATH1
Program	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment
	HPATH/HPATH1	
Hematopathology online case review	I	5

HPATH/HPATH1 prepares pathologists and pathology trainees with an interest in hematopathology to succeed by providing ongoing diagnostic learning and self-assessment.

The program includes 10 challenge cases written by expert hematopathologists per year. For each case, the learner will:

- Review virtual whole slide image(s) in the context of a clinical scenario and relevant laboratory data.
- Select and interpret appropriate ancillary studies (IHC, flow cytometry, FISH, cytogenetics, molecular studies, etc) with real-time feedback.
- Simulate a real-world diagnostic workup to arrive at the appropriate diagnosis.
- Apply knowledge to answer three CME questions.

Cases span the breadth of benign and neoplastic hematopathology. Discussions incorporate current best practices in the workup, diagnosis, and subclassification of hematolymphoid diseases.

Neoplastic entities are discussed in the context of both the International Consensus Classification (ICC) and the fifth edition of the World Health Organization (WHO) classification.

See system requirements on page 12.

- HPATH Five diagnostic challenges per activity (two activities per year), with online whole slide images. Reporting with CME credit is available for one participant.
- HPATH1 Reporting option with CME credit for each additional participant (within the same institution); must order in conjunction with program HPATH.
- Earn a maximum of 12.5 CME credits (AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™) per participant.
- This activity meets the ABPath CC requirements for Improvement in Health and Health Care (IHHC).
- Powered by DigitalScope® technology
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Flow Cytometry—B-ALL Measurable Residual Disease BALL							
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipment							
	BALL						
B-ALL measurable residual disease	se I 3						

- Program BALL is intended for laboratories that perform measurable residual disease (MRD) testing (rare event analysis) for B lymphoblastic leukemia/ lymphoma. The cases presented will be a mixture of Children's Oncology Group (COG) approved B-ALL MRD method and laboratory-developed assays.
- Participation in this program alone does not satisfy PT requirements for laboratories performing more general analysis of leukemia/lymphoma specimens.
- This program has stability of two days or less. The CAP cannot guarantee
 performance or offer credits for orders placed for shipment outside of the US and
 Canada.

Program Information

- Two 1.1-mL specimens containing a cell line/whole blood mixture simulating B lymphoblastic leukemia/ lymphoma measurable residual disease
- One online case consisting of gated dot plots
- · Two shipments per year

Flow Cytometry—Mature B-cell Leukemia/Lymphoma Measurable Residual Disease FL8

Procedure	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment
	FL8	
Mature B-cell leukemia/lymphoma measurable residual disease	ı	3

Additional Information

- Program FL8 is intended for laboratories that perform measurable residual disease (MRD) testing (rare event analysis) for mature B-cell leukemia/lymphoma.
- Participation in this program alone does not satisfy PT requirements for laboratories performing more general analysis of leukemia/lymphoma specimens.
- This program has stability of two days or less. The CAP cannot guarantee
 performance or offer credits for orders placed for shipment outside of the US and
 Canada.

- Two 1.1-mL specimens containing a cell line/whole blood mixture simulating mature B-cell leukemia/ lymphoma measurable residual disease
- One online case consisting of gated dot plots
- · Two shipments per year

Flow Cytometry—Plasma Cell Myeloma Measurable Residual Disease FL9						
Procedure Program Code Challenges per Shipment						
	FL9					
Plasma cell myeloma measurable residual disease	1	3				

- Program FL9 is intended for laboratories that perform measurable residual disease (MRD) testing (rare event analysis) for plasma cell myeloma.
- Participation in this program alone does not satisfy PT requirements for laboratories performing more general analysis of leukemia/lymphoma specimens.
- This program has stability of two days or less. The CAP cannot guarantee
 performance or offer credits for orders placed for shipment outside of the US and
 Canada.

Program Information

- Two 4.5-mL specimens containing a cell line/whole blood mixture simulating plasma cell myeloma measurable residual disease
- One online case consisting of gated dot plots
- Two shipments per year

Flow Cytometry—Plasma Cell Neoplasms PCNEO						
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment				
	PCNEO					
Plasma cell neoplasms	1	3				

Additional Information

- Program PCNEO is intended to supplement the FL3 program for laboratories
 performing both technical and interpretive components of leukemia/lymphoma
 analysis with specialized testing for plasma cells, including intracellular light chain
 (kappa/lambda) testing.
- Participation in this program alone does not satisfy PT requirements for laboratories performing more general analysis of leukemia/lymphoma specimens.
- This program has stability of two days or less. The CAP cannot guarantee
 performance or offer credits for orders placed for shipment outside of the US and
 Canada.

- One 1.1-mL specimen containing a cell line/whole blood mixture, simulating a plasma cell neoplasm with clinical history and pertinent laboratory data
- Two online cases consisting of gated dot plots, clinical histories, and pertinent laboratory data
- Two shipments per year



Flow Cytometry—Immunophenotypic Characterization of Paroxysmal Nocturnal Hemoglobinuria PNH							
Analyte	Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipment						
	PNH						
PNH red blood cell (RBC) analysis	I	2					

PNH white blood cell (WBC) analysis

- The PNH program complies with the recommendations from the *Guidelines for the Diagnosis and Monitoring of Paroxysmal Nocturnal Hemoglobinuria and Related Disorders by Flow Cytometry* for RBC and WBC analysis. Due to the unique nature of these human donor-based materials, the shipping dates are subject to change. If this should occur, the CAP will provide notification prior to the originally scheduled shipping date.
- This program is appropriate for high-sensitivity testing (≤ 0.01% PNH type clone in red cells and/or granulocytes).

Fetal Red Cell Detection HBF					
Procedure Program Code Challenges per St					
	HBF				
Kleihauer-Betke and flow cytometry	I	2			
Rosette fetal screen	I	2			
Acid elution whole slide image	I	1			

Additional Information

- Programs RFAV1 and RFAV3 do not meet the regulatory requirements for proficiency testing.
- These programs meet CAP Accreditation Checklist item FLO.23737, which requires semiannual testing of rare flow antigens.
- These programs have stability of two days or less. The CAP cannot guarantee
 performance or offer credits for orders placed for shipment outside of the US and
 Canada.

Program Information

- Two 0.5-mL whole blood specimens for RBC and WBC analysis
- Two shipments per year

Program Information

- Two 1.2-mL liquid whole blood specimens
- Not designed for F-cell quantitation
- Two online whole slide images per year with optional grids for cell counting
- Powered by DigitalScope technology
- Two shipments per year

- RFAV1 One 1.1-mL cell line specimen
- RFAV3 One 1.1-mL cell line specimen
- · Two shipments per year

ZAP-70/CD49d Analysis by Flow Cytometry ZAP70						
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipme						
	ZAP70					
Zeta-chain-associated protein kinase 70	ı	3				
CD49d	I	3				

- This program tests for intracellular ZAP-70 staining of a cell line. It allows for assessment of the laboratory's staining techniques and the antibody clone used for ZAP-70 detection.
- CD49d is an important prognostic marker for CLL by flow cytometry. This program allows assessment of the laboratory's ability to detect CD49d.
- Laboratories may perform testing on ZAP-70, CD49d, or both.
- This program has stability of two days or less. The CAP cannot guarantee
 performance or offer credits for orders placed for shipment outside of the US and
 Canada.

Program Information

- Three 1.1-mL cell line specimens
- Two shipments per year

Color Atlas of Flow Cytometry

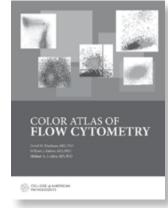
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- B lymphoblastic leukemia and immature B cells
- Tlymphoblastic leukemia and immature T cells
- Myeloid neoplasms
- Mature B-cell neoplasms

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Transfusion Medicine

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Transfusion Medicine J, JXM, J1, JE1					
Procedure		Prograi	Challenges per Shipment		
	J	JXM	J1	JE1	
ABO group		ı			5
ABO subgroup			ı		5
Rh typing		ı			5
Antibody detection		•			5
Antibody identification					5
Compatibility testing		ı			5
Red blood cell (RBC) antigen typing	•				1
Electronic crossmatch					3
Educational challenge				ı	1

Program JXM assists laboratories in monitoring the performance of their electronic crossmatching systems.

- J Five 3.0-mL 3% red blood cell (RBC) suspensions; five 3.0-mL corresponding serum specimens; one 3.0-mL donor RBC suspension
- JXM Five 3.0-mL 3% RBC suspensions; five 3.0mL corresponding serum specimens; one 3.0-mL donor RBC suspension; three simulated, ISBT 128 labeled donor unit challenges and three corresponding RBC suspensions
- J1 Five 3.0-mL 3% RBC suspensions; five 3.0mL corresponding serum specimens
- JE1 One educational challenge, which may consist of a dry challenge and/or wet specimen for ABO grouping, ABO subgrouping, Rh typing, antibody detection, antibody identification, compatibility testing, and/or antigen typing
- Must order JE1 in conjunction with J or JXM programs.
- · Three shipments per year



Transfusion Medicine—Automated JAT, JATXM, JATE1					
Procedure	Program Code Challenges per Shipme				
	JAT	JATXM	JATE1		
ABO group		I		5	
ABO subgroup	I	•		5	
Rh typing		•		5	
Antibody detection	I	ı		5	
Antibody identification	I	•		5	
Compatibility testing		•		5	
Electronic crossmatch		I		3	
Educational challenge			I	1	

Program JATXM assists laboratories in monitoring the performance of their electronic crossmatching systems.

Program Information

- JAT Five bar-coded 4.0-mL 13%-17% whole blood specimens and one 2.0-mL 23%-27% red blood cell (RBC) suspension for compatibility testing
- JATXM Five bar-coded 4.0-mL 13%-17% whole blood specimens and one 2.0-mL 23%-27% RBC suspension for compatibility testing; three simulated, ISBT 128 labeled donor unit challenges and three corresponding RBC suspensions
- JATE1 One educational challenge, which may consist of a dry challenge and/or wet specimen for ABO grouping, ABO subgrouping, Rh typing, antibody detection, antibody identification, and/or compatibility testing
- Must order JATE1 in conjunction with JAT or JATXM programs.
- Three shipments per year



Quality Cross Check—Transfusion Medicine JATQ				
Procedure	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment		
	JATQ			
ABO grouping	I	3		
Antibody detection		3		
Rh typing		3		

This program does not meet regulatory requirements for proficiency testing; see program JAT above. For additional information about the Quality Cross Check program, see page 36.

- Three 6.0-mL 13%-17% whole blood specimens
- May be used with automated and manual procedures
- Two shipments per year

In-Date Blood Product Wastage QT4

Blood for transfusion is a precious resource. At a minimum, wastage of blood that is not out-of-date represents a financial loss to the health care system. More ominously, systemic wastage of blood may reflect an environment of care that is out of control and may pose risks to patient safety.

Enrollment in this program assists laboratories in meeting regulatory requirements as follows:

- CAP Laboratory Accreditation Program Checklist statements TRM.40875, which requires the transfusion service medical director to monitor and audit transfusion practices to ensure the appropriate use of blood; TRM.30800, Disposition Records; and TRM.32275, Component Records, regarding recording the use of each blood or component product from receipt to final disposition.
- The Joint Commission Standards QSA.05.02.01, adequate blood and blood components; QSA.05.03.03, requirements for policies and procedures for returning unused blood products to blood transfusion services; and QSA.05.22.01, records of blood product disposition.
- AABB Standards for Blood Banks and Transfusion Services assessment 8.2, which requires transfusing facilities to have a peer-review program that monitors transfusion practices for blood components.

This study will compare the rates of blood product wastage (ie, units discarded in-date) in participating hospitals and track rates of improvement over time.

Data Collection

On a monthly basis, participants will use blood bank records to obtain information on the total number of units transfused for each type of blood component. Participants will track the number and type of blood units that are wasted in-date and the circumstances of wastage. This monitor includes the following types of blood components: whole blood (allogeneic), red blood cells (allogeneic), frozen plasma, platelet concentrates, single donor platelets, and cryoprecipitate.

Performance Indicators

- Overall blood wastage rate (%)
- Wastage rates by blood component type (%)

Performance Breakdown

• Breakdown of circumstances of wastage (%)

Look in e-LAB Solutions Suite for your input forms approximately two weeks before the start of the next quarter.

ABO Subgroup Typing ABOSG				
Procedure Program Code Challenges per Shipmer				
	ABOSG			
ABO subgroup typing	I	3		
Rh typing				

Program Information

• Three 2.0-mL 3% red blood cell suspensions; three 2.0-mL corresponding serum specimens · Two shipments per year

- Three 2.0-mL whole blood specimens
- · Two shipments per year

Red Blood Cell Antigen Genotyping RAG				
Procedure	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment		
	RAG			
Red blood cell (RBC) blood group genotyping for phenotype prediction	ı	3		

Weak RHD Gen	otyping WRHG	INEW
Procedure	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment
	WRHG	
RHD genotyping		3

weak RHD Gen	iotyping WRHG	
Procedure	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment
	WRHG	
RHD genotyping	I	3
Due to the use of donor-based materia	als, enrollment in this pro	ogram mav be limited.

Red Blood Cell Antigen Typing RBCAT					
Procedure Program Code Challenges per Shipmer					
RBCAT					
Red blood cell (RBC) antigen typing		2			

Program RBCAT is for donor centers and transfusion laboratories performing non-automated/manual RBC phenotyping for the management of patients with complex serology (ie, alloimmunization, sickle cell disease, warm autoimmune hemolytic anemia). Challenges will include antigens such as Rh, Kell, Duffy, and Kidd blood group system.

Red Blood Typing—Auto	NEW	
Procedure	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment
	ARCT	
Red blood cell (RBC) antigen typing	I	2

Program ARCT is for donor centers and transfusion laboratories performing automated red cell phenotyping for the management of patients with complex serology (ie, alloimmunization, sickle cell disease, warm autoimmune hemolytic anemia). Challenges will include antigens such as Rh, Kell, Duffy, and Kidd blood group system. Due to the use of donor-based materials, enrollment in this program may be limited.

Program Information

- Three 2.0-mL whole blood specimens
- · Two shipments per year

Program Information

- Two 2.0-mL 2%-4% RBC suspensions
- · Two shipments per year

- Two 2.0-mL red blood cell suspensions
- · Two shipments per year

Antibod	y Titer	ABT,	ABT1	, ABT2	, ABT3
Procedure		Progra	m Code		Challenges per Shipment
	ABT	ABT1	ABT2	ABT3	
Anti-A titer	ı	I			1
Anti-B titer				ı	1
Anti-D titer			•		1

- ABT One 2.0-mL specimen for anti-A titer with one corresponding titer cell (3%-4% red blood cell [RBC] suspension); one 2.0-mL specimen for anti-D titer with one corresponding titer cell (3%-4% RBC suspension)
- ABT1 One 2.0-mL specimen for anti-A titer with one corresponding titer cell (3%-4% RBC suspension)
- ABT2 One 2.0-mL specimen for anti-D titer with one corresponding titer cell (3%-4% RBC suspension)
- ABT3 One 2.0-mL specimen for anti-B titer with one corresponding titer cell (3%–4% RBC suspension)
- · Two shipments per year

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Antibody Titer—Automated AABT, AABT1, AABT2, AABT3					
Procedure	Program Code Challenges per Shipment			.	
	AABT	AABT1	AABT2		
Anti-A titer					1
Anti-B titer					1
Anti-D titer ■ 1					

- AABT One 2.0-mL specimen for anti-A titer; one 2.0-mL specimen for anti-D titer
- AABT1 One 2.0-mL specimen for anti-A titer
- AABT2 One 2.0-mL specimen for anti-D titer
- AABT3 One 2.0-mL specimen for anti-B titer
- Two shipments per year

Transfusion-Related Cell Count TRC				
Procedure Program Code Challenges per Shipment				
	TRC			
Platelet count (platelet-rich plasma)	I	5		
White blood cell (WBC) count	I	4		
Dry challenge	I	2		

WBC counts must be performed using a Nageotte chamber, by fluorescence microscopy, or by flow cytometry.

Direct Antiglobulin Testing DAT					
Procedure Program Code Challenges per Shipment					
DAT					
Direct antiglobulin testing	ct antiglobulin testing				

Direct Antiglobulin Testing—Automated ADAT				
Procedure Program Code Challenges positions Shipment				
	ADAT			
Direct antiglobulin testing ■ 3				

Program Information

- Five 1.2-mL suspensions of platelet-rich plasma
- Two 1.0-mL vials leukocytereduced platelet material
- Two 1.0-mL vials leukocytereduced red blood cells
- Three shipments per year

Program Information

- Three 2.0-mL 3% red blood cell suspensions
- For use with manual method
- Two shipments per year

- Three 4.0-mL 15% red blood cell suspensions
- For use with automated method
- Two shipments per year

Eluate Survey ELU					
Procedure Program Code Challenges per Shipme					
	ELU				
Antibody elution ■ 2					

Fetal Red Cell Detection HBF			
Procedure	Challenges per Shipment		
	HBF		
Kleihauer-Betke and flow cytometry		2	
Rosette fetal screen	I	2	
Acid elution whole slide image	ı	1	

Procedure Program Code Challenges per Shipment PS Antibody detection I 3 Platelet crossmatch I 3 Platelet antibody identification I 3

A low concentration of sodium azide may be present in the specimens and may affect lymphocytotoxicity methods.

Program Information

- Two 2.0-mL 50% red blood cell suspensions
- Two shipments per year

Program Information

- Two 1.2-mL liquid whole blood specimens
- Not designed for F-cell quantitation
- Two online whole slide images per year with optional grids for cell counting
- Powered by DigitalScope® technology
- · Two shipments per year

- Three 3.0-mL serum specimens
- For use with solid-phase red cell adherence, flow cytometry, and EIA/ELISA methods
- Two shipments per year

Transfusion Medicine Comprehensive—Competency Assessment TMCA			
Procedure Program Code Challenges per Shipme			
	TMCA		
ABO grouping	1	2	
Antibody detection	ı	2	
Antibody identification	ı	2	
Compatibility testing	I	2	
Rh typing	I	2	

To meet CMS and CAP-accredited laboratory regulatory requirements for these analytes, see program J on page 234.

Program Information

- Two 3.0-mL 3% red blood cell (RBC) suspensions
- Two 3.0-mL corresponding serum specimens
- One 3.0-mL donor 3% RBC suspension
- Three shipments per year; order shipments individually or for an entire year.

Direct Antiglobulin Test—Competency Assessment TMCAD				
Procedure Program Code Challenges per Shipment				
TMCAD				
Direct antiglobulin testing ■ 2				

Eluate Competency Assessment TMCAE				
Procedure	Challenges per Shipment			
TMCAE				
Antibody elution	I	2		

Fetal Red Cell Quantitation—Competency Assessment TMCAF					
Procedure Program Code Challenges per Shipmen					
	TMCAF				
Kleihauer-Betke, flow cytometry		2			
Rosette fetal screen	I	2			
Acid elution whole slide image	I	1			

Program Information

- Two 2.0-mL 3% red blood cell suspensions
- Two shipments per year; order shipments individually or for an entire year.

Program Information

- Two 2.0-mL 50% red blood cell suspensions
- Two shipments per year; order shipments individually or for an entire year.

- Two 1.2-mL whole blood specimens
- Two online whole slide images per year with optional grids for cell counting
- Powered by DigitalScope technology
- Two shipments per year; order shipments individually or for an entire year.

Cord Blood and Stem Cell Processing CBT, SCP			
Analyte Program Code		m Code	Challenges per Shipment
	СВТ	SCP	
Absolute CD3			2
Absolute CD34			2
Bacterial culture			2
%CD3+			2
%CD34+			2
%CD45+		•	2
CFU-GM	1	ı	2
Total CFC			2
Fungal culture		•	2
Hematocrit			2
Hemoglobin			2
Mononuclear cell count			2
Nucleated red cells	1		2
Number of CD34 positive events			2
Number of CD45 positive events		1	2
Total nucleated cells	1	1	2
Viability	1		2
White blood cell (WBC) count	ı		2

- Because these materials are human donor-based, the ship date is subject to change. If this should occur, notification will be provided prior to the scheduled date. In some instances, the program may ship in two installments.
- Due to material stability, no replacements will be available.
- These programs have stability of two days or less. The CAP cannot guarantee
 performance or offer credits for orders placed for shipment outside of the
 US and Canada.
- See International Shipping information section in the Ordering Information Supplement regarding additional dangerous goods shipping fees.

Program Information

- CBT Two 2.5-mL cord blood specimens; designed for assays required for the production of umbilical cord blood stem cell programs
- SCP Two 3.0-mL peripheral blood specimens; designed for laboratories that process and assess the suitability of stem cells
- · Two shipments per year





Refer to the Ordering Information provided for information regarding additional dangerous goods and related fees.

Bacterial Detection in Platelets BDP, BDP5			
Procedure	Program Code Challenges per Shipment		
	BDP	BDP5	
Bacterial culture and detection systems			2
Bacterial culture and detection systems			5

- The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) requires proficiency testing for bacterial detection/identification. Please select the appropriate program for your laboratory based on the information below.
- Program BDP is designed for donor centers/laboratories that are associated with a CMS-certified microbiology laboratory with the same CLIA number, and which are participating in an approved proficiency testing program for bacterial detection.
- Program BDP5 is designed for donor centers/laboratories that are performing bacterial detection for the purposes of platelet unit screening and which are not associated with a CMS-certified microbiology laboratory with the same CLIA number.
- See International Shipping information section in the Ordering Information Supplement regarding additional dangerous goods shipping fees.

Bacterial Detection in Platelets, Rapid BDPV5

Procedure Program Code Challenges per Shipmer				
CMS certified rapid immunoassay	BDPV5	5		

Additional Information

- The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) requires proficiency testing for bacterial detection in platelets.
- Program BDPV5 is designed for donor centers/laboratories that are performing bacterial detection for the purposes of platelet unit screening, and which are not associated with a CMS-certified microbiology laboratory with the same CLIA number.
- See International Shipping information section in the Ordering Information Supplement regarding additional dangerous goods shipping fees.

Program Information

- BDP Two lyophilized pellet specimens with diluents; two shipments per year
- BDP5 Five lyophilized pellet specimens with diluents; three shipments per year



Program Information

- Five frozen specimens; three shipments per year
- · For use with methods such as Verax Biomedical





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Expanded Transfusion Medicine Exercises ETME1				
Procedure Program Code Challenges per Shipmen				
ETME1				
Expanded challenges 2				

Program ETME1 is an educational opportunity that offers:

- · More challenging and/or complex antibody identification
- · Comprehensive case studies in transfusion medicine
- Simulated collaboration with other professionals, both those within and outside your institution
- A method for determining your laboratory's ability to recognize and integrate problem solving skills in transfusion medicine

The wet challenge may consist of specimens for ABO grouping, Rh typing, antibody detection, antibody identification, antigen typing, direct antiglobulin testing, and/or antibody elution.

Program Information

- One dry challenge and one wet challenge consisting of a serum specimen(s) and/or red blood cell suspensions
- Two shipments per year

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Viral Markers

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Viral Markers—Series 1 VM1			
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment	
	VM1		
Anti-HAV (total: IgM and IgG)	I	5	
Anti-HAV (IgG)	ı	5	
Anti-HBc (total: IgM and IgG)	ı	5	
Anti-HBs	ı	5	
Anti-HBs, quantitative	ı	5	
Anti-HCV	ı	5	
Anti-HIV-1	ı	5	
Anti-HIV-1/2	1	5	
Anti-HIV-2	ı	5	
HBsAg	ı	5	

Program Information

- Five 3.5-mL plasma specimens
- Three shipments per year

Additional Information

- Do not use program VM1 with rapid anti-HCV, anti-HIV-1, or anti-HIV-1/2 kits. See page 246 for programs appropriate for rapid methods.
- Anti-HIV-1/2, HIV-1 p24 antigen combination assay users should enroll in the VM6 program. Program VM1 is not appropriate for this assay.

Viral Markers—Series 2 VM2				
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Ship				
	VM2			
Anti-HBe	I	5		
HBeAg	I.	I 5		

Viral Markers—Series 3 VM3				
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipm				
	VM3			
Anti-CMV		3		
Anti-HTLV-I/II		3		
HIV-1 p24 antigen	■ 3			

Program Information

- Five 3.5-mL plasma specimens
- · Three shipments per year

- Three 3.5-mL plasma specimens
- Two shipments per year

Viral Markers—Series 4 VM4			
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment	
	VM4		
Anti-Trypanosoma cruzi (Chagas disease)	I	2	

Program Information • Two 1.0-mL plasma specimens

• Two shipments per year

- Five 1.5-mL plasma specimens
- Three shipments per year

Viral Markers—Series 5 VM5			
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment	
	VM5		
Anti-HAV (IgM)		5	
Anti-HBc (IgM)	■ 5		

Viral Markers—Series 6 VM6/VM6X			
Analyte	Progra	m Code	Challenges per Shipment
	VM6	VM6X	
Anti-HIV-1/2			5
HIV-1 p24 antigen			5

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Analyte		Prograi	m Code	Challenges per Shipment
		VM6	VM6X	
Anti-HIV-1/2		I	I	5
HIV-1 p24 anti	igen	I	I	5

Anti-HIV 1/2 AHIV, AHIVW			
Analyte/Procedure	Progra	m Code	Challenges per Shipment
	AHIV	AHIVW	
Anti-HIV-1, Anti-HIV-2, Anti-HIV-1/2			5
Anti-HIV-1, Anti-HIV-1/2, waived methods only			2

HIV-1/HIV-2 Qualitative Detection and Differentiation, Molecular HVDD				
Analyte/Procedure	Program Code Challenges per Shipmer			
	HVDD			
HIV-1 RNA virus detection	1	3		
HIV-2 RNA virus detection	NA virus detection 3			

Program Information

- VM6 Five 0.5-mL plasma specimens
- VM6X All program VM6 specimens in duplicate
- Three shipments per year

Program Information

- AHIV Five 0.5-mL plasma specimens; three shipments per year
- AHIVW Two 0.5-mL plasma specimens; two shipments per year

- Three 1.5-mL liquid specimens
- Designed for molecular techniques that detect and differentiate between HIV-1 and HIV-2 virus
- Two shipments per year

Anti-HCV, Rapid Methods, Waived RHCVW			
Analyte/Procedure	Challenges per Shipment		
	RHCVW		
Anti-HCV, waived methods only	•	3	

Nucleic Acid Testing NAT					
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment			
	NAT				
Hepatitis B (HBV)	I	5			
Hepatitis C (HCV)	ı	5			
HIV	1	5			
West Nile virus		■ 5			

Nucleic Acid Testing, Babesia NAT1 Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipment NAT1 Babesia 2

Vector-Borne Disease—Molecular VBDM			
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment	
	VBDM		
Zika virus	1	3	

Program Information

- Three 0.5-mL plasma specimens
- Two shipments per year

Program Information

- Five 6.0-mL plasma specimens
- Designed for blood donor centers performing nucleic acid testing on donor units
- Compatible with HIV, HCV, and HBV multiplex assays
- Three shipments per year

Program Information

- Two 3.0-mL whole blood specimens
- Two shipments per year

- Three 1.5-mL liquid specimens
- Two shipments per year



Parentage Testing

Parentage/Relationship	Test—Filter P	aper PARF
Analyte/Procedure	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment
	PARF	
DNA testing (PCR)	I	4
Calculation challenge (dry challenge)		1

Program Information

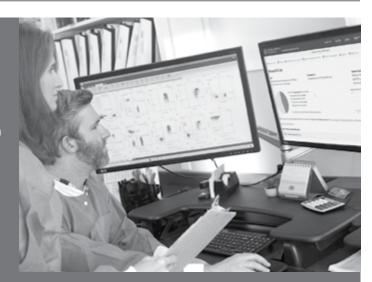
- DNA testing (PCR) Four samples per mailing: two shipments of mother and child specimens on blood-stained filter paper with buccal swabs for two potential fathers; one shipment with all four specimens on blood-stained filter paper
- Reporting for short tandem repeats (STRs), X-STRs, Y-STRs, as well as the conclusions provided
- Three shipments per year

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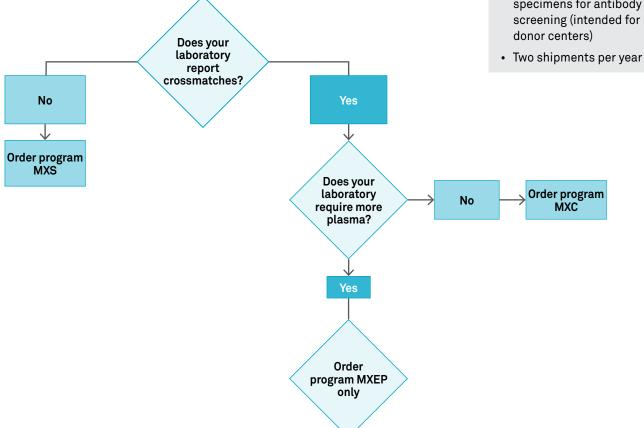
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HLA Crossmatching, Antibody Screen, and Antibody Identification (Class I/Class II) MXC, MXEP, MXS

Procedure	Program Code			Challenges per Shipment
	MXC	MXEP	MXS	
Antibody screen (Class I/Class II)				5
Antibody identification (Class I/Class II)	ı	•		5
Crossmatching (T-cell/B-cell)	ı	ı		10

- MXC Five 0.4-mL plasma specimens; two (approximately 7-8 x 106 cells) purified blood lymphocyte specimens
- MXEP Five 0.4-mL plasma specimens in duplicate (0.8-mL total plasma); two (approximately 7–8 x 106 cells) purified blood lymphocyte specimens (intended for laboratories that require extra plasma volume for antibody identification)
- MXS Five 0.4-mL plasma specimens for antibody screening (intended for blood



Class I & II HLA Molecular Typing DML					
Procedure	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment			
	DML				
Molecular HLA-A, -B, and -C typing (Class I)	I	5			
Molecular HLA-DR, -DQ, and -DP typing (Class II)	ı	5			
Molecular typing for ABO NEW	I	5			

Program Information

- Five 2.0-mL whole blood specimens in CPD or CPD-A
- Serologic equivalents reporting available
- Two shipments per year

HLA-B27 Typing B27						
Procedure Program Code Challenges per Shipment						
	B27					
HLA-B27 typing	■ 5					

Program Information

- Five 2.0-mL whole blood specimens in CPD or CPD-A
- Two shipments per year

Monitoring Engraftment ME					
Procedure Program Code Challenges per Shipment					
	ME				
Stem cell monitoring engraftment	I	5			

- Seven 0.5-mL whole blood specimens
- Designed for laboratories supporting stem cell transplant and laboratories monitoring chimerism after organ transplantation
- Two shipments per year

Antibody Titer ABT, ABT1, ABT2, ABT3						
Procedure		Program Code Challenges per Shipme				
		ABT	ABT1	ABT2	ABT3	
Anti-A titer			ı			1
Anti-B titer						1
Anti-D titer						1

Program Information

- ABT One 2.0-mL specimen for anti-A titer with one corresponding titer cell (3%-4% red blood cell [RBC] suspension); one 2.0-mL specimen for anti-D titer with one corresponding titer cell (3%-4% RBC suspension)
- ABT1 One 2.0-mL specimen for anti-A titer with one corresponding titer cell (3%-4% RBC suspension)
- ABT2 One 2.0-mL specimen for anti-D titer with one corresponding titer cell (3%-4% RBC suspension)
- ABT3 One 2.0-mL specimen for anti-B titer with one corresponding titer cell (3%-4% RBC suspension)
- Two shipments per year

Antibody Titer—Automated AABT, AABT1, AABT2, AABT3						
Procedure	Program Code Challenges per Shipmer					
	AABT	AABT1	AABT2	AABT3		
Anti-A titer		I			1	
Anti-B titer					1	
Anti-D titer			•		1	

- AABT One 2.0-mL specimen for anti-A titer; one 2.0-mL specimen for anti-D titer
- AABT1 One 2.0-mL specimen for anti-A titer
- AABT2 One 2.0-mL specimen for anti-D titer
- AABT3 One 2.0-mL specimen for anti-B titer
- Two shipments per year

Program Information • DADR1, DADR2 - Three 0.1-mL specimens, each containing 200 µg/mL of human DNA in media · Two shipments per year

HLA Disease Asso	ciation—D	rug Risk	DADR1, DADR2
Analyte	Progran	n Code	Challenges per Shipment
	DADR1	DADR2	
HLA-A*02:01 NEW			3
HLA-A*31:01			3
HLA-B*13:01			3
HLA-B*15:02			3
HLA-B*57:01			3
HLA-B*58:01			3
HLA-A*29:01			3
HLA-A*29:02		I	3
HLA-DQA1*04:01			3
HLA-DQA1*05:01			3
HLA-DQB1*03:02			3
HLA-DQB1*06:02			3
HLA-DRB1*03:01			3
HLA-DRB1*03:02			3
HLA-DRB1*04:02			3
HLA-DRB1*04:03			3
HLA-DRB1*04:06			3
HLA-DRB1*08:02			3
HLA-DRB1*08:04			3
HLA-DRB1*14:04		I	3
HLA-DRB1*14:05			3
HLA-DRB1*14:08			3
HLA-DRB1*15:01		ı	3
HLA-DRB1*15:02		ı	3
HLA-DQA1*02		ı	3
HLA-DQA1*03		ı	3
HLA-DQA1*05		I	3
HLA-DQB1*02:01		ı	3
HLA-DQB1*02:02		I	3

Additional Information

These programs will challenge the laboratory to accurately identify the presence or absence of alleles associated with a variety of disease states (listed below) and/or the adverse reactions to specific drugs.

DADR1

- · Carbamazepine-induced Stevens-Johnson syndrome
- · Allopurinol Stevens-Johnson syndrome
- · Hypersensitivity to abacavir
- · Dapsone hypersensitivity

DADR2

- · Celiac disease
- Narcolepsy
- · Pemphigus vulgaris
- · Psoriasis

- · Antiglomerular basement membrane disease
- Birdshot retinochoroidopathy
- · Idiopathic myopathy

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CAP/ACMG Cytogenetics CY, CYBK				
Analyte/Procedure	Program Code Challenges per Ship			
	CY	СҮВК		
Karyotype abnormality		ı	6	
Karyotype nomenclature			6	

Each challenge includes a case history and images of metaphase cells that are representative of each case. Each mailing will include three constitutional and three neoplastic challenges.

Program Information

- CY Online images of metaphase cells delivered two times a year; your CAP shipping contact will be notified via email when the activity is available.
- CYBK Prints of metaphase cells; two shipments per year



CAP/ACMG Fluorescence In Situ Hybridization CYF, CYI					
Disease/Procedure	Progra	m Code	Challenges per Shipmen		
	CYF	CYI			
Constitutional and Hematologic Disorders					
FISH for constitutional disorder - slides	ı		1		
FISH for constitutional disorder - dry challenge	ı		2		
FISH for hematologic disorder - slides	ı		1		
FISH for hematologic disorder - dry challenge	ı		2		
Urothelial Carcinoma					
FISH for urothelial carcinoma			2		

Program Information

- CYF Four slides and four dry challenges
- CYI Two 250-µL cell samples suspended in ethanol from two different specimens; participants use FISH to detect chromosome abnormalities.
- · Two shipments per year



Additional Information

• CYF 2026-A:

Constitutional disorder (two slides): CEPX Hematologic disorder (two slides): CCND1

• CYF 2026-B:

Constitutional disorder (two slides): 15q11.2 (Prader-Willi/Angelman syndrome critical region)

Hematologic disorder (two slides): CEP 7/7q

- CYF is prepared from cell suspension samples. For FISH in paraffin-embedded tissues, see page 257.
- These programs are only for laboratories that perform both hybridization and interpretation under the same CLIA number.

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CAP/ACMG Fluorescence In Situ Hybridization for Paraffin-Embedded Tissue CYH, CYJ, CYK, CYL, CYALK

Analyte/Procedure		Program Code				Challenges per Shipment	
	СҮН	CYJ	СҮК	CYL	CYALK	Α	В
Breast Cancer							
ERBB2 (HER2) amplification	I					10	10
Interpretive challenges for <i>ERBB2</i> (<i>HER2</i>) amplification	•					3	3
Brain/Glioma Tissue							
1p/19q		ı				1	1
Solid Tumor							
MDM2 rearrangement						1	
SS18 (SYT) rearrangement							1
Lymphoma Tissue							
BCL2 rearrangement						1	
MYC rearrangement				I			1
Lung Cancer							
ALK rearrangement						1	
ALK rearrangement dry challenge					I		1
Additional Information							

Program Information

- CYH Two unstained, fivecore tissue microarray slides equivalent to 10 paraffinembedded breast tissue specimens; two H&E stained tissue microarray slides are also provided.
- CYJ Four unstained slides and one H&E stained slide
- CYK Two unstained slides and one H&E stained slide
- CYL Two unstained slides and one H&E stained slide
- CYALK Two unstained slides and one H&E stained slide are provided for the A mailing; the B mailing will include an ALK dry challenge.
- · Two shipments per year



Additional Information

- All CYJ, CYK, and CYL specimens will be 4.0-micron tissue sections mounted on positively charged glass slides.
- These programs are for laboratories that perform both hybridization and interpretation under the same CLIA number. For interpretation only ERBB2 (HER2) amplification by FISH for breast cancer, see program CYHI, below.

CAP/ACMG ERBB2 (HER2) Amplification by FISH, Interpretation Only CYHI Analyte/Procedure Program Code Challenges per Shi CYHI

Analyte/Procedure Program Code Challenges per Shipment CYHI ERBB2 (HER2) amplification in breast cancer, interpretation only 3

Additional Information

- ERBB2 (HER2) Amplification by FISH, Interpretation Only is not considered proficiency testing. This exercise may be used to meet the requirements for alternative assessment.
- This program is for laboratories that perform <u>interpretation only</u> for *ERBB2 (HER2)* FISH for breast cancer.
- For laboratories that perform both hybridization and interpretation for *ERBB2* (*HER2*) FISH for breast cancer under the same CLIA number, see program CYH, above.

- Three online interpretation challenges; your CAP shipping contact will be notified via email when the activity is available.
- Two shipments per year



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CAP/ACMG Constitutional Microarray CYCGH					
Procedure Program Code Challenges per Shipmen					
	CYCGH				
Cytogenomic microarray analysis for constitutional abnormalities		2			

Additional Information

- Participants will identify and characterize gains or losses and the cytogenetic location of abnormalities detected.
- This program is not appropriate for low-resolution arrays that are designed to detect only aneuploidy.

CAP/ACMG Oncology Microarray CYCMA				
Procedure	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment		
	CYCMA			
Cytogenomic microarray analysis for oncologic abnormalities	ı	1		

Participants will identify and characterize gains or losses and the cytogenetic location of abnormalities detected.

Program Information

- Two 2.0-µg DNA specimens
- Two shipments per year



Program Information

- One 2.0-µg DNA specimen
- Two shipments per year



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Optical Genome Mapping OGM					
Analyte/Procedure	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment			
	ОСМ				
Optical genome mapping*	I	2			

^{*}All challenges are hematologic. Each will include a case history and may be accompanied by an image(s).

- · Four dry challenges
- Two shipments per year; your CAP shipping contact will be notified via email when the activity is available.

Biochemical and Molecular Genetics

Analytes/procedures in **bold** type are regulated for proficiency testing by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS).

CAP/ACMG Biochemical Genetics BGL, BGL1						
Analyte/Procedure	Progra	m Code	Challenges per Shipment			
	BGL	BGL1				
Acylcarnitines, qualitative and quantitative	•		1			
Amino acids, qualitative and quantitative	1		1			
Carnitine, qualitative and quantitative			3			
Glycosaminoglycans (mucopolysaccharides), qualitative and quantitative			1			
Organic acids, qualitative and quantitative	ı		1			
Educational challenge			1			

Program Information

• BGL -

Acylcarnitines: One 0.1-mL plasma specimen

Amino acids: One 1.0-mL plasma or 2.0-mL urine specimen

Glycosaminoglycans (mucopolysaccharides): One 2.0-mL urine specimen

Organic acids: One 7.5-mL urine specimen

Educational challenge: Will consist of any one of the BGL analytes

- BGL1 Three 0.3-mL serum specimens
- · Two shipments per year



Sample Exchange Registry for Alternative Assessment

When no formal proficiency testing is yet available, join the CAP's Sample Exchange Registry. After at least three laboratories are identified as testing for the same rare analyte, the CAP can anonymously deliver a sample from each laboratory to another participating facility, all of whom then report their results to us. We send each participant a custom result report, including an anonymous participant summary covering all the laboratories that took part.



Learn more at cap.org

CAP/ACMG Amino Acid Quantitation for Inherited Metabolic Disorders BGL2

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Analyte/Procedure	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment			
	BGL2				
Alanine	I	3			
Alloisoleucine	I	3			
Arginine	I	3			
Aspartic acid	I	3			
Citrulline	I	3			
Cystine	I	3			
Glutamic acid	I	3			
Glutamine	I	3			
Glycine	I	3			
Histidine	I	3			
Homocystine	I	3			
Hydroxyproline	I	3			
Isoleucine	I	3			
Leucine	I	3			
Lysine	I	3			
Methionine	I	3			
Ornithine	I	3			
Phenylalanine	I	3			
Proline	I	3			
Serine	I	3			
Taurine	I	3			
Threonine	I	3			
Tryptophan	ı	3			
Tyrosine	I	3			
Valine	ı	3			

- Three 1.0-mL liquid specimens
- Two shipments per year



CAP/ACMG Acylcarnitine Quantitation for Inherited Metabolic Disorders BGL4 Analyte/Procedure **Program Code** Challenges per Shipment BGL4 3 Acetylcarnitine 3 Propionylcarnitine 3 Butyrylcarnitine Isovalerylcarnitine 3 Glutarylcarnitine 3 Hexanoylcarnitine 3 Octanoylcarnitine 3 Dodecanoylcarnitine 3 Hexadecanoylcarnitine

Program Information

- Three 1.0-mL liquid specimens
- Two shipments per year



CAP/ACMG Alpha-1 Antitrypsin Genotyping AAT					
Analyte/Procedure Program Code Challenges per Ship					
	AAT				
Alpha-1 antitrypsin (SERPINA1) genotyping		3			

This program will test for the M, S, and Z alleles.

3-OH-hexadecanoylcarnitine

Octadecanoylcarnitine

CAP/ACMG Apolipoprotein E Genotyping APOE							
Analyte/Procedure	/Procedure Program Code Challenges per Shipment						
	APOE						
Apolipoprotein E (APOE) genotyping	I	3					

This program is designed for laboratories utilizing APOE testing for hyperlipoproteinemia type III and Alzheimer diseases and will test for APOE e2, APOE e3, and APOE e4.

Program Information

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- Three 10.0-µg extracted DNA specimens
- Two shipments per year



- Three 10.0-µg extracted DNA specimens
- Two shipments per year



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CAP/ACMG BRCA1/2 Sequencing BRCA					
Analyte/Procedure Program Code Challenges per Shipr					
	BRCA				
BRCA1/2 DNA sequencing and variant interpretation		3			
BRCA1/2 duplication/deletion analysis	ı	3			

Program Information

- Three 10.0-µg extracted DNA specimens
- · Two shipments per year



Additional Information

- Test your skill at reporting and interpreting DNA sequence variants for *BRCA1/2* using standard nomenclature.
- Receive a summary and discussion of responses, including comments on the variant nomenclature and known or expected outcomes from identified variants.
- Primers are not included; laboratories are expected to use the primers used in routine clinical testing.

CAP/ACMG Cardiomyopathy Sequencing Panel CMSP						
Analyte/Procedure Program Code Challenges per Shipment						
CMSP						
Cardiomyopathy sequencing panel 3						

Additional Information

- This proficiency challenge is for laboratories performing gene panels, exome sequencing, and whole genome sequencing to detect germline variants associated with inherited forms of cardiomyopathy.
- Participants will be asked to identify variants in the following genes: ACTC1, MYBPC3, MYH7, MYL2, MYL3, TNNI3, TNNT2, and TPM1.

- Three 80.0-μL purified extracted DNA specimens (50 ng/μL)
- Two shipments per year



CAP/ACMG Hemoglobinopathies Genotyping HGM							
Analyte/Procedure	re Program Code Challenges per Shipment						
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Alpha-thalassemia	I 3						
Beta-thalassemia	■ 3						
Hemoglobin S/C	I 3						

Program Information

- Three 50.0-µg extracted DNA specimens
- Two shipments per year



CAP/ACMG Inherited Cancer Sequencing Panel ICSP						
Analyte/Procedure Program Code Challenges per Shipment						
ICSP						
Inherited cancer sequencing panel 3						

Additional Information

- This proficiency challenge is for laboratories performing gene panels, exome sequencing, and whole genome sequencing to detect germline variants associated with inherited forms of cancer.
- Participants will be asked to identify variants in the following genes: APC, ATM, BRCA1, BRCA2, CDKN2A, CHEK2, MLH1, MSH2, MSH6, PALB2, PMS2, PTEN, and TP53.

- Three 80.0-μL purified extracted DNA specimens (50 ng/μL)
- Two shipments per year



CAP/ACMG Molecular Genetics Series MGL1, MGL2, MGL3, MGL4, MGL5

	Program Code				01 11	
Disease/Gene	MGL1			MGL4	MGL5	Challenges per Shipment
Bloom syndrome (BLM gene)						3
BRCA1/2						3
Canavan (ASPA gene)						3
Connexin 26 (GJB2 gene)						3
Cystic fibrosis (CFTR gene)						3/2(MGL5)
DMD/Becker (<i>DMD</i> gene)						3
Factor V Leiden (F5 gene)	ı					3
Familial dysautonomia (ELP1 gene)						3
Fanconi anemia complementation group C (FANCC gene)				I		3
Fragile X (FMR1 gene)	ı					3
Friedreich ataxia (FXN gene)		•				3
Gaucher (GBA gene)						3
Glycogen storage disease type la (G6PC gene)				I		3
Hemochromatosis (HFE gene)	ı					3
Hemoglobin S/C						3
Huntington (HTT gene)						3
Methylenetetrahydrofolate reductase (MTHFR gene) c.665C>T (677C>T) and c.1286A>C (1298A>C)	•					3
Mucolipidosis IV (MCOLN1 gene)						3
Multiple endocrine neoplasia type 2 (<i>RET</i> gene)						3
Myotonic dystrophy (DMPK gene)						3
Niemann-Pick type A/B (SMPD1 gene)						3
Plasminogen activator inhibitor (PAI)-1 (SERPINE1 gene)	ı					3

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Additional Information

- The BRCA1/2 program (module MGL3) is designed for laboratories testing for the three Ashkenazi Jewish founder mutations.
- The cystic fibrosis programs (modules MGL2 and MGL5) are designed for laboratories testing for the minimum mutation panel for population-based carrier screening from the ACMG Technical Standards and Guidelines for CFTR Mutation Testing, expanded panels, PolyT variant analysis, and/or full gene sequencing.
- Module MGL4 is designed for laboratories testing for diseases/disorders related to Ashkenazi Jewish ancestry.
- The Prader-Willi/Angelman syndrome program is designed for laboratories using methylation techniques for analysis.

- MGL1, MGL2, MGL3, MGL4 - Three 50.0-µg extracted DNA specimens per disease/gene
- MGL5 Two 50.0-µg extracted DNA specimens
- Two shipments per year



CAP/ACMG Molecular Genetics Series MGL1, MGL2, MGL3, MGL4, MGL5 continued **Program Code** Challenges per Disease/Gene Shipment MGL1 MGL2 MGL3 MGL4 MGL5 Prader-Willi/Angelman syndrome 3 Prothrombin (F2 gene) 3 RhD 3 Spinal muscular atrophy (SMN1 and 3 SMN2 genes) Spinocerebellar ataxia (ATXN1, ATXN2, 3 ATXN3, CACNA1A, and ATXN7 genes)

Additional Information

Tay-Sachs (HEXA gene)

- The *BRCA1/2* program (module MGL3) is designed for laboratories testing for the three Ashkenazi Jewish founder mutations.
- The cystic fibrosis programs (modules MGL2 and MGL5) are designed for laboratories testing for the minimum mutation panel for population-based carrier screening from the ACMG Technical Standards and Guidelines for *CFTR* Mutation Testing, expanded panels, PolyT variant analysis, and/or full gene sequencing.
- Module MGL4 is designed for laboratories testing for diseases/disorders related to Ashkenazi Jewish ancestry.
- The Prader-Willi/Angelman syndrome program is designed for laboratories using methylation techniques for analysis.
- The Spinal Muscular Atrophy program includes *SMN1* and *SMN2* gene analysis and copy number analysis.

Weak RHD Genotyping WRHG			
Procedure	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment	
	WRHG		
RHD genotyping		3	

Due to the use of donor-based materials, enrollment in this program may be limited.

CAP/ACMG Inherited Metabolic Diseases IMD1, IMD2, IMD3				
Analyte/Procedure	Program Code Challenges per Shipment			Challenges per Shipment
	IMD1	IMD2	IMD3	
Mitochondrial DNA deletion syndromes				3
MCAD		ı		3
Mitochondrial cytopathies*				3

^{*}Includes disorders/diseases such as Leber hereditary optic neuropathy and myoclonus epilepsy with ragged red fibers (MERRF).

Program Information

- MGL1, MGL2, MGL3, MGL4 - Three 50.0-µg extracted DNA specimens per disease/gene
- MGL5 Two 50.0-µg extracted DNA specimens
- Two shipments per year



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Program Information

- Three 2.0-mL whole blood specimens
- · Two shipments per year

- IMD1, IMD2, IMD3 Three 50.0-µg extracted DNA specimens
- Two shipments per year



CAP/ACMG Molecular Genetics Sequencing SEC, SEC1			
Procedure	Program Code Challenges per Shipme		
	SEC	SEC1	
DNA sequencing interpretation challenge			3
DNA sequencing		•	3

Additional Information

- Test your skill at interpreting and reporting DNA sequence variants for inherited diseases using standard nomenclature.
- Receive a summary and discussion of responses, including comments on nomenclature, known or expected outcomes from identified variants, and teaching points about genes/disorders represented.
- Primers are not included; laboratories are expected to use the primers used in routine clinical testing.

Program Information

- SEC DNA sequence electropherogram files with a range of variants, suitable for base-calling and analysis using a range of commercial or public domain software programs; also includes nomenclature/variant references. Two online activities per year; your CAP shipping contact will be notified via email when the activity is available.
- SEC1 Three 30.0-µg extracted DNA specimens; two shipments per year



Pharmacogenetics PGX, PGX1, PGX3				
Analyte/Procedure	Pro	gram Co	ode	Challenges per Shipment
	PGX	PGX1	PGX3	
CYP2C19	ı			3
CYP2C9	ı			3
CYP2B6	ı			3
CYP2D6	ı			3
CYP3A4	ı			3
CYP3A5	ı			3
CYP4F2	ı			3
SLC01B1 (rs4149056)	ı			3
VKORC1	ı			3
IL28B (rs12979860)		I		3
COMT (rs4680)		I		3
G6PD		I		3
OPRM1 (rs1799971, c.118A>G)		I		3
DPYD				3
NUDT15			I	3
TPMT				3
UGT1A1				3

UGT1A1 (PGX3 program) tests the laboratory's ability to detect variants in the TATA repeat sequence in the *UGT1A1* promotor (eg, *UGT1A1*28* with seven TA repeats). The ability to detect variants in other regions of the *UGT1A1* gene is not part of this program.

- PGX, PGX1, PGX3 Three 25.0-µg extracted DNA specimens
- Includes allele detection (genotyping) and/or interpretive challenges
- Two shipments per year

CAP/ACMG Rett Syndrome (MECP2) RETT			
Analyte/Procedure	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment	
	RETT		
Rett (<i>MECP2</i>) genotyping	I	3	
Rett (<i>MECP2</i>) duplication/deletion analysis	I	3	

Program Information

- Three 10.0-µg extracted DNA specimens
- Two shipments per year



CAP/ACMG Thrombophilia Mutations TPM			
Analyte/Procedure Program Code Challenges per Shipmer			
	ТРМ		
Factor II (F2 gene, Prothrombin)	1	3	
Factor V Leiden (<i>F5</i> gene)	I	3	

This program is designed for the Cepheid GeneXpert factor II and factor V assays. DNA extraction for other assays/methods is NOT recommended.

Program Information

- Three 250.0-µL synthetic whole blood specimens
- Two shipments per year



Red Blood Cell Antigen Genotyping RAG			
Procedure	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment	
	RAG		
Red blood cell (RBC) blood group genotyping for phenotype prediction	ı	3	

Noninvasive Prenatal Testing NIPT Analyte **Program Code** Challenges per Shipment **NIPT** Cell-free DNA screening for fetal 3 aneuploidy

Noninvasive prenatal testing is an exercise and is not considered proficiency testing. This exercise may be used to meet the requirements for alternative assessment.

Program Information

- Three 2.0-mL whole blood specimens
- · Two shipments per year

- · Three liquid specimens
- · Two shipments per year

Next-Generation Sequencing

Analytes/procedures in **bold** type are regulated for proficiency testing by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS).

All laboratories subject to US CLIA Regulations: Proficiency testing (PT) challenges must NOT be referred to another laboratory for any portion of NGS testing, even if this is how patient testing is routinely performed. For PT challenges, any referral is strictly prohibited by CMS.

Next-Generation Sequencing—Germline NGS			
Procedure	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment	
	NGS		
Next-generation sequencing	I	2	

Laboratories will have the ability to analyze more than 100 preselected chromosomal intervals in hg19 (GRCh37) and hg38 (GRCh38) coordinates within various genes; for a full list of genes in this program, please go to cap.org. Under the Laboratory Improvement tab, click on Catalog and Ordering Information. The list is located under the PT Order Supplements header.

Program Information

- One 10.0-µg extracted gDNA specimen; one educational variant interpretation image/ dry challenge
- Methods-based challenge for germline variants for laboratories using gene panels, exome, and genome sequencing
- Two shipments per year

Next-Generation Sequencing—Solid Tumor NGSST			
Procedure Program Code Challenges per Shipmen			
	NGSST		
Next-generation sequencing	I	3	

Additional Information

- This is a methods-based proficiency challenge for laboratories performing targeted next-generation sequencing of cancer genes or mutation hotspots in solid tumors.
- This program includes variants present with a variant allele fraction (VAF) potentially as low as 5%.
- · Paired normal specimen provided

Program Information

- Three 1.0-μg gDNA (50 ng/μL) specimens
- One 3.0-μg gDNA (50 ng/μl) paired normal specimen
- · Two shipments per year

Next-Generation Sequencing—Hematologic Malignancies NGSHM					
Procedure Program Code Challenges per Shipmer					
NGSHM					
Next-generation sequencing 3					

Additional Information

- This is a methods-based proficiency challenge for laboratories performing targeted next-generation sequencing of genes or mutation hotspots in hematologic malignancies.
- This program includes variants present with a variant allele fraction (VAF) potentially as low as 5%.

Program Information

- Three 1.0-μg gDNA (50 ng/μL) specimens
- Two shipments per year

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Next-Generation Sequencing Solid Tumor Bioinformatics NGSB1 Procedure **Program Code** Challenges per Shipment NGSB1 Illumina TruSight Tumor 15 Panel 1 Illumina TruSight Tumor 170 Panel 1 Illumina TruSight Oncology 500 Panel 1 Thermo Fisher Ion AmpliSeq Cancer 1 Hotspot Panel v2 Thermo Fisher Oncomine 1 ı Comprehensive Assay v3 Thermo Fisher Oncomine 1 Focus Cancer Panel

Additional Information

- This in silico bioinformatics program is designed to complement and augment somatic variant wet bench NGS proficiency testing programs by testing a greater diversity of variants at a greater range of variant allele fractions (VAF).
- The BAM and/or FASTQ files are platform-specific and may not be compatible with other instruments/software.
- This program includes variants present with a VAF potentially as low as 5%.
- For platform-agnostic solid tumor bioinformatic proficiency testing challenges, refer to the NGSB4 program, page 270.

- Sequencing files containing somatic variants to be downloaded and incorporated into your laboratory bioinformatics pipeline for analysis and reporting; file sizes range from 100MB to 1GB.
- BAM and FASTQ file formats
- Two online activities per year; your CAP shipping contact will be notified <u>via email</u> when the activity is available.

Next-Generation Sequencing Solid Tumor Bioinformatics Hybrid NGSB4			
Analyte/Procedure	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment	
	NGSB4		
In silico mutagenized sequencing file(s) containing somatic variants of relevance in solid tumors - platform-agnostic	ı	1	

This is a platform-agnostic hybrid in silico proficiency testing and validated materials program for laboratories performing targeted NGS of cancer genes or mutational hotspots in solid tumors.

For panel-specific solid tumor bioinformatic proficiency testing challenges, refer to the NGSB1 program, page 269.

Minimum Requirements:

- Laboratories must provide a gene panel sequencing data file (FASTQ or <u>unaligned</u> BAM) that has been generated using their current clinical sequencing protocols from one of the following sources: A specimen from the NGS—Germline program (see page 268) or from one of the following NIST Reference Material cell lines: RM 8398 (NA12878), RM 8391, RM 8392, or RM 8393. FASTQs or <u>unaligned</u> BAMs must be submitted along with a BED file describing the regions targeted and interrogated by your laboratory. Specimens from the NGSST and NGSHM programs or additional Coriell/NIST Reference Material cell lines cannot be used for this program.
- Laboratories can transfer files from most modern browsers/operating systems.
 Due to the extremely large file sizes, 40 Mbps transfer speed or higher is needed to ensure successful transfer of your laboratory's sequencing files to the CAP. For the most up-to-date information on system requirements, click Browser and Operating System Requirements located at the bottom of the cap.org homepage.

Additional Information, Proficiency Testing Program:

 Laboratories will be asked to identify somatic single nucleotide variants and small (1–15bp) insertions, deletions, duplications, and deletions-insertions (delins) in a subset of solid tumor mutational hotspots/genes with VAF potentially as low as 5%. Laboratories will be required to submit results of the variants identified.

Additional Information, Validated Materials:

- The sequencing file will contain up to 75 custom somatic variants that are tailored to the specific assay submitted (depending on the size of the panel provided) at VAF from 3% to 99% (higher allele fractions to mimic loss of heterozygosity or homozygosity) and will include:
 - o Single nucleotide variants
 - o Insertions, deletions, delins, and/or duplications ranging from 1–100bp (1–15bp, 16–50bp, 51–100bp)
 - o For laboratories doing microsatellite instability, microsatellite instability at mono nucleotide tracts in the submitted capture design will be included.

All variants will be modeled based on actual somatic mutations from the COSMIC database. This portion of the program is not traditional proficiency testing and no results will be returned to the CAP; information regarding the variants introduced will be sent along with the mutagenized file.

- · The proficiency testing portion of this program is designed to complement and augment NGS somatic variant wet bench proficiency testing programs by testing for a greater diversity of variants with a wide range of variant allele fractions (VAF), while the validated materials portion is designed to optimize bioinformatics pipelines, augment validations, and assist with pipeline verification after changes to NGS/ bioinformatics processes.
- One panel sequencing data file (FASTQ or <u>unaligned</u> BAM), originating from your laboratory and provided to the CAP, for in silico mutagenesis
- Sequencing files containing somatic variants to be downloaded and analyzed by your laboratory bioinformatics pipeline
- Two online activities per year; your CAP shipping contact will be notified <u>via email</u> when the activity is available.

Next-Generation Sequencing Hematologic Malignancies Bioinformatics NGSB3

Procedure	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment
	NGSB3	
Illumina TruSight Myeloid Sequencing Panel	1	1
Thermo Fisher Oncomine Myeloid Assay	I	1

Additional Information

- This in silico bioinformatics program is designed to complement and augment somatic variant wet bench NGS proficiency testing programs by testing a greater diversity of variants at a greater range of variant allele fractions (VAF).
- The BAM and/or FASTQ files are platform-specific and may not be compatible with other instruments/software.
- This program includes variants present with a VAF potentially as low as 5%.
- For platform-agnostic hematologic malignancies bioinformatic proficiency testing challenges, refer to the NGSB5 program, page 272.

- Sequencing files containing somatic variants to be downloaded and incorporated into your laboratory bioinformatics pipeline for analysis and reporting; file sizes range from 100MB to 1GB.
- BAM and FASTQ file formats
- Two online activities per year; your CAP shipping contact will be notified <u>via email</u> when the activity is available.

Next-Generation Sequencing Hematologic Malignancies Bioinformatics Hybrid NGSB5

Analyte/Procedure	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment
	NGSB5	
In silico mutagenized sequencing file(s) containing somatic variants of relevance in hematologic malignancies - platform-agnostic	ı	1

This is a platform-agnostic hybrid in silico proficiency testing and validated materials program for laboratories performing targeted NGS of cancer genes or mutational hotspots in hematologic malignancies.

For panel-specific hematologic malignancies bioinformatic proficiency testing challenges, refer to the NGSB3 program, page 271.

Minimum Requirements:

- Laboratories must provide a gene panel sequencing data file (FASTQ or <u>unaligned</u> BAM) that has been generated using their current clinical sequencing protocols from one of the following sources: a specimen from the NGS—Germline program (see page 268) or from one of the following NIST Reference Material cell lines: RM 8398 (NA12878), RM 8391, RM 8392, or RM 8393. FASTQs or <u>unaligned</u> BAMs must be submitted along with a BED file describing the regions targeted and interrogated by your laboratory. Specimens from the NGSST and NGSHM programs or additional Coriell/NIST Reference Material cell lines cannot be used for this program.
- Laboratories can transfer files from most modern browsers/operating systems.
 Due to the extremely large file sizes, 40 Mbps transfer speed or higher is needed to ensure successful transfer of your laboratory's sequencing files to the CAP. For the most up-to-date information on system requirements, click Browser and Operating System Requirements located at the bottom of the cap.org homepage.

Additional Information, Proficiency Testing Program:

 Laboratories will be asked to identify somatic single nucleotide variants and small (1–15bp) insertions, deletions, duplications, and deletions-insertions (delins) in a subset of hematologic malignancies mutational hotspots/genes with VAF potentially as low as 5%. Laboratories will be required to submit results of the variants identified.

Additional Information, Validated Materials:

- The sequencing file will contain up to 75 custom somatic variants that are tailored to the specific assay submitted (depending on the size of the panel provided) at VAF from 3% to 99% (higher allele fractions to mimic loss of heterozygosity or homozygosity) and will include:
 - o Single nucleotide variants
 - o Insertions, deletions, delins, and/or duplications ranging from 1–100bp (1–15bp, 16–50bp, 51–100bp)

All variants will be modeled based on actual somatic mutations from the COSMIC database. This portion of the program is not traditional proficiency testing and no results will be returned to the CAP; information regarding the variants introduced will be sent along with the mutagenized file.

- · The proficiency testing portion of this program is designed to complement and augment NGS somatic variant wet bench proficiency testing programs by testing for a greater diversity of variants with a wide range of variant allele fractions (VAF) while the validated materials portion is designed to optimize bioinformatics pipelines, augment validations, and assist with pipeline verification after changes to NGS/ bioinformatics processes.
- One panel sequencing data file (FASTQ or <u>unaligned</u> BAM), originating from your laboratory and provided to the CAP, for in silico mutagenesis
- Sequencing files containing somatic variants to be downloaded and analyzed by your laboratory bioinformatics pipeline
- Two online activities per year; your CAP shipping contact will be notified <u>via email</u> when the activity is available.

Next-Generation Sequencing Undiagnosed Disorders—Exome NGSE			
Analyte/Procedure	Program Code Challenges per Shipment		
	NGSE		
Exome analysis for germline undiagnosed disorders	ı	1	

Additional Information/Minimum Requirements

- This in silico based program will assess the ability of the laboratory to identify
 germline variants responsible for a provided clinic phenotype as is encountered in
 an undiagnosed disease scenario. In addition to analyzing the in silico mutagenized
 file to identify a genetic diagnosis for the provided clinical scenario, pathogenic or
 likely pathogenic ACMG secondary findings may also be reported.
- Laboratories must provide an exome sequencing data file (FASTQ or <u>unaligned</u> BAM) that has been generated using their current clinical sequencing protocols from one of the following sources: A specimen from the NGS—Germline program (see page 268) or from one of the NIST Reference Material cell lines: RM 8398 (NA12878), RM 8391, RM 8392, or RM 8393. Specimens from the NGSST and NGSHM programs or additional Coriell/NIST Reference Material cell lines cannot be used for this program.
- FASTQs or <u>unaligned</u> BAMs must be submitted along with a BED file describing the
 regions targeted and interrogated by your laboratory. Additionally, more than 90%
 of exons targeted and interrogated by your laboratory must have a minimum read
 coverage of 10X.
- Laboratories can transfer files from most modern browsers/operating systems.
 Due to the extremely large file sizes, 40 Mbps transfer speed or higher is needed to ensure successful transfer of your laboratory's sequencing files to the CAP. For the most up-to-date information on system requirements, click Browser and Operating System Requirements located at the bottom of the cap.org homepage.

- One exome sequencing data file, originating from your laboratory and provided to the CAP, for in silico mutagenesis; the mutagenized exome sequencing data file is to be downloaded and analyzed by your bioinformatics pipeline.
- The mutagenized exome sequencing file will be accompanied by a clinical history, relevant laboratory data, and results of ancillary studies, where appropriate.
- Two online activities per year; your CAP shipping contact will be notified <u>via email</u> when the activity is available.

Next-Generation Sequencing Undiagnosed Disorders—Trio Analysis NGSET

Analyte/Procedure	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment
	NGSET	
Trio (parents and proband) exome analysis for germline undiagnosed disorders		3

Additional Information/Minimum Requirements

- This in silico based program will assess the ability of the laboratory to identify germline variants responsible for a provided clinic phenotype in a proband as is encountered in an undiagnosed disease scenario using a trio approach (ie, laboratories will analyze the proband and parents in an effort to determine the diagnosis in the proband). In addition to analyzing the in silico mutagenized files to identify a genetic diagnosis for the provided clinical scenario, inheritance patterns as well as pathogenic or likely pathogenic ACMG secondary findings may also be reported.
- Laboratories must provide exome sequencing data files (FASTQs or <u>unaligned</u> BAMs) that have been generated using their current clinical sequencing protocols from one of the following Genome in a Bottle Consortium trio sources: the Ashkenazi Jewish trio (Coriell IDs GM24385, GM24149, and GM24143 or NIST RM8392) or the Han Chinese trio (Coriell IDs GM24631, GM24694, and GM24695). All exome files must be from the same trio (Ashkenazi Jewish or Han Chinese). Specimens from the NGS, NGSST, and NGSHM programs or additional Coriell/Genome in a Bottle Consortium sources cannot be used for this program.
- FASTQs or <u>unaligned</u> BAMs must be submitted along with a BED file describing
 the regions targeted and interrogated by your laboratory. Additionally, more than
 90% of exons targeted and interrogated by your laboratory must have a minimum
 read coverage of 10X.
- Laboratories can transfer files from most modern browsers/operating systems.
 Due to the extremely large file sizes, 40 Mbps transfer speed or higher is needed to ensure successful transfer of your laboratory's sequencing files to the CAP. For the most up-to-date information on system requirements, click Browser and Operating System Requirements located at the bottom of the cap.org homepage.

- Three exome sequencing data files (one from each parent plus the proband), originating from your laboratory and provided to the CAP, for in silico mutagenesis; the mutagenized exome sequencing data files are to be downloaded and analyzed by your bioinformatics pipeline.
- The mutagenized exome sequencing files will be accompanied by a clinical history, relevant laboratory data, and results of ancillary studies, where appropriate.
- Two online activities per year; your CAP shipping contact will be notified <u>via email</u> when the activity is available.

Copy Number Variant—Solid Tumor CNVST		
Procedure	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment
	CNVST	
Copy number variant—solid tumor		3

Additional Information

- This program is designed for laboratories using next-generation sequencing for copy number analysis.
- Laboratories will be asked to identify copy number alterations in some of these genes: CDKN2A, CDKN2B, EGFR, ERBB2, FGFR3, MET, MYC, MYCN, or TP53.
- Copy number alterations tested will include amplification, gain, copy neutral loss of heterozygosity, and deletion.

Tumor Mutational Burden TMB			
Procedure Program Code Challenges per Shipn			
	ТМВ		
Tumor mutational burden ■ 3			

Additional Information

- This program is intended for laboratories using next-generation sequencing to determine tumor mutational burden.
- This program is appropriate for laboratories using targeted panels and whole exome sequencing.
- Paired normal tissue is included.
- Specimens are 50% tumor.

Program Information

- One 20-μL gDNA (10ng/μL) specimen
- Two snap-frozen cell pellets
- Two shipments per year

- Three 10-μL gDNA (50ng/μL) specimens
- Three 10-μL gDNA (50ng/μL) paired normal tissues
- Two shipments per year

Molecular Oncology—Solid Tumors

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Microsatellite Instability MSI			
Procedure Program Code Challenges per Shipr			
	MSI		
Microsatellite instability testing (DNA amplification)	1	3	
MLH1 promoter methylation analysis	I	3	

Laboratories performing DNA mismatch repair assessment by immunohistochemistry methods should see program MMR on page 302.

Program Information

- Three specimens each containing two 10.0-micron unstained paraffin section slides and one H&E slide
- For laboratories performing molecular testing using PCR and NGS
- Two shipments per year

In Situ Hybridization ISH, ISH2			
Analyte/Procedure	Program Code Challenges per Shipment		
	ISH	ISH2	
Epstein-Barr virus (EBV)			4
Human papillomavirus (HPV)			4
Kappa/Lambda (IGK/IGL)			4
ERBB2 (HER2) gene amplification (brightfield)			10

Laboratories performing FISH for interphase chromosomal targets in paraffin sections refer to the Cytogenetics programs, page 257.

These programs are only for laboratories that perform both hybridization and interpretation under the same CLIA number.

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Program	Inform	atior

• ISH -

EBV, HPV: Three 4-core tissue microarray slides and one H&E slide (each)

Kappa/Lambda: Four 4-core tissue microarray slides and one H&E slide

- ISH2 Two 5-core tissue microarray slides in duplicate
- Two shipments per year

DNA Extraction & Amplification FFPE MH05			
Procedure	Program Code Challenges per Shipment		
	MHO5		
DNA purification	I	1	

This is a methods-based proficiency challenge to examine DNA purification from formalin-fixed, paraffin-embedded (FFPE) tissues. Laboratories will be able to purify DNA from FFPE sections and amplify control targets using laboratory-provided reagents.

Program Information

- Three 10.0-micron paraffin sections
- · Two shipments per year

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Neoplastic Cellularity NEO			
Procedure	Program Code Challenges per Shipment		
	NEO		
Online assessment of percent neoplastic cellularity	ı	10	

Program Information

- Ten regions of interest (ROIs) using online whole slide images
- A method-based preanalytic program to assess competency for determining percent neoplastic cellularity
- · Powered by DigitalScope® technology
- · Individual reporting fields for up to five pathologists are available.
- Two online activities per year; your CAP shipping contact will be notified via email when the activity is available.

Sarcoma Fusion Gene SARC			
Gene	Program Code Challenges per Shipment		
	SARC		
Sarcoma fusion gene*	■ 3		

^{*}See fusion gene listing below.

Laboratories performing FISH for sarcoma translocation refer to the Cytogenetics programs, page 257.

Program Information

- Three snap-frozen cell pellets from which approximately 5.0-µg of RNA can be extracted
- For laboratories performing molecular testing using RT-PCR and NanoString
- · Two shipments per year

Sarcoma Fusion Gene Listing

COL1A1::PDGFB, t(17;22)	EWSR1::FLI1 or EWSR1::ERG	PAX3::F0X01 or PAX7::F0X01
ETV6::NTRK3, t(12;15)	EWSR1::WT1, t(11;22)	SS18::SSX1, t(X;18)
EWSR1::ATF1, t(12;22)	FUS::DDIT3, t(12;16)	SS18::SSX2, t(X;18)
EWSR1::ERG, t(21;22)	PAX3::F0X01, t(2;13)	SS18::SSX1 or SS18::SSX2
EWSR1::FLI1, t(11;22)	PAX7::FOXO1, t(1;13)	

Cell-Free Tumor DNA CFDNA				
Analyte/Procedure Program Code Challenges per Shipmen				
	CFDNA			
cfDNA	I	3		

Additional Information

- · DNA fragments stabilized in simulated plasma
- This is not intended for laboratories that perform circulating tumor cell (CTC) analysis.
- Genes in this program include ALK, BRAF, BRCA1, EGFR, ERBB2, ESR1, IDH1, KRAS, MET, NRAS, and PIK3CA.
- This program includes variants present with a variant allele frequency (VAF) range of 0.1%–3.0%.

RNA Fusions, Solid Tumor RNA				
Analyte/Procedure	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment		
	RNA			
RNA	ı	3		

Additional Information

- Total RNA from a cell line engineered to contain desired fusion RNA
- This is for laboratories using RNAseq to detect gene fusion transcripts.
- This is not intended to replace the current program (SARC) for reverse transcription (RT)-PCR based detection (see page 277).
- Potential fusion variants include CD74::ROS1, EML4::ALK, ETV6::NTRK3, FGFR3::TACC3, PAX8::PPARG, and SLC45A3::BRAF.
- Specific intragenic fusion/exon skipping variants may also be included, specifically *EGFRVIII* and *MET* exon 14 skipping.

Solid Tumor—Other BRAF, EGFR, KRAS, KIT					
Analyte		Program Code Challenges per Shipment			
	BRAF	EGFR	KRAS	KIT	
BRAF	•				3
EGFR					3
KRAS					3
KIT				ı	3
PDGFRA				I	3

Program Information

- Three 125-ng DNA (25 ng/mL) specimens
- · Two shipments per year

Program Information

- Three 500-ng RNA (20 ng/μL) specimens
- Two shipments per year

Program Information

- BRAF, EGFR, KRAS -Paraffin-embedded sections or shavings
- KIT -

One specimen containing four 10.0-micron unstained paraffin section slides and one H&E slide

Two 1.0-µg gDNA (50 ng/µL) specimens

- For laboratories performing molecular testing using PCR
- · Two shipments per year

Multigene Tumor Panel, Genomic DNA MTP					
Analyte	Program Code Challenges per Shipi				
	MTP				
BRAF	ı	3			
EGFR	I	3			
ERBB2 (HER2)	1	3			
KIT	1	3			
KRAS		3			
NRAS	1	3			
PDGFRA		3			
PIK3CA	1	3			

CAP-accredited laboratories that perform testing for the detection of somatic single nucleotide variants, insertions, and deletions in *BRAF*, *EGFR*, and *KRAS* by non-NGS methods are required to enroll in either MTP or the respective single gene programs. This includes laboratories that perform non-NGS-based multiplexed assays and nonmultiplexed assays (eg, Sanger sequencing). Laboratories that perform NGS-based testing of somatic single nucleotide variants, insertions, and deletions in *BRAF*, *KRAS*, *EGFR*, and/or other genes are required to enroll in NGSST (on page 268) as this proficiency testing program provides challenges with lower VAF as well as challenges in other genes commonly included in NGS-based panels for the identification of somatic variants in solid tumors.

Program Information

- Three 2.0-µg gDNA (50 ng/µL) specimens for laboratories performing molecular testing on multiple targets
- · Two shipments per year

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Glioma GLI					
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipme					
GLI					
MGMT		3			
IDH1, IDH2		3			

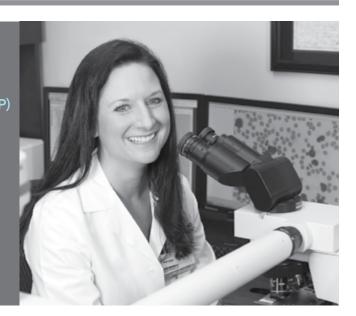
Program Information

- Four 2.0-μg gDNA (50 ng/μL) specimens
- One specimen containing four 10.0-micron unstained paraffin section slides and one H&E slide
- For laboratories performing molecular testing using PCR
- Two shipments per year

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Molecular Oncology—Hematologic

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Molecular Hematologic Oncology MHO/MHO1, MHO2/MHO3, MHO5				
Procedure/Gene		Program Code		
	MHO/MHO1	MH02/MH03	MH05	
Lymphoid Malignancy Genotyp	oing			
IGH				3
IGH::BCL2 major				3
IGH::BCL2 minor				3
IGH::CCND1				3
IGK				3
TRB				3
TRG				3
Myeloid Malignancy Genotypin	ıg			
BCR::ABL1 p190				3
BCR::ABL1 p210				3
CALR				3
CBFB::MYH11				3
FLT3 ITD				3
FLT3 TKD				3
JAK2 c.1849G>T p.V617F				3
KMT2A-PTD (MLL-PTD)				3
MPL				3
NPM1				3
PML::RARA		1		3
RUNX1::RUNX1T1				3
DNA extraction and amplification from formalin- fixed, paraffin-embedded (FFPE) tissue				1

- MHO One sample vial containing purified DNA (200 µg/mL per vial) for each specimen
- MH01 MH0 specimens in duplicate for additional DNA testing
- MHO2 Two sample vials; one with purified DNA containing 200 µg/mL and one with purified RNA containing 400 µg/mL
- MH03 MH02 specimen in duplicate for additional DNA and RNA testing
- MH05 Three 10.0-micron paraffin sections; extraction and amplification from FFPE tissue will be assessed by a method-based challenge.
- Two shipments per year; ships on dry ice (dry ice does not apply to MHO5).

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IGHV Mutation Analysis IGHV					
Analyte/Procedure Program Code Challenges per Shipmer					
	IGHV				
IGHV		3			

Additional Information

- Sequence analysis of the clonal immunoglobulin heavy chain V gene (IGHV) to determine somatic hypermutation (SHM) status
- · Any sequencing method may be used.
- Report productive/unproductive rearrangement, SHM status, percent similarity, and V-gene utilization.

Measurable Residual Disease MRD, MRD1, MRD2				
Analyte		Program Cod	е	Challenges per Shipment
	MRD	MRD1	MRD2	
BCR::ABL1 p190				3
BCR::ABL1 p210				3
PML::RARA				3

Program Information

- Three 20-µg DNA specimens $(200 \text{ ng/}\mu\text{L})$
- Two shipments per year

- MRD, MRD1, MRD2 Three RNA specimens in sterile water
- For laboratories diagnosing and monitoring leukemia tumor burden by measuring the quantity of BCR::ABL1 or PML::RARA fusion transcripts
- Two shipments per year; ships on dry ice.

Navigating Multimodality Biomarker Assessment NMBA/NMB1					
Program Name Program Code Cases per Mailing					
NMBA/NMB1					
Multimodality biomarker assessment case analysis					

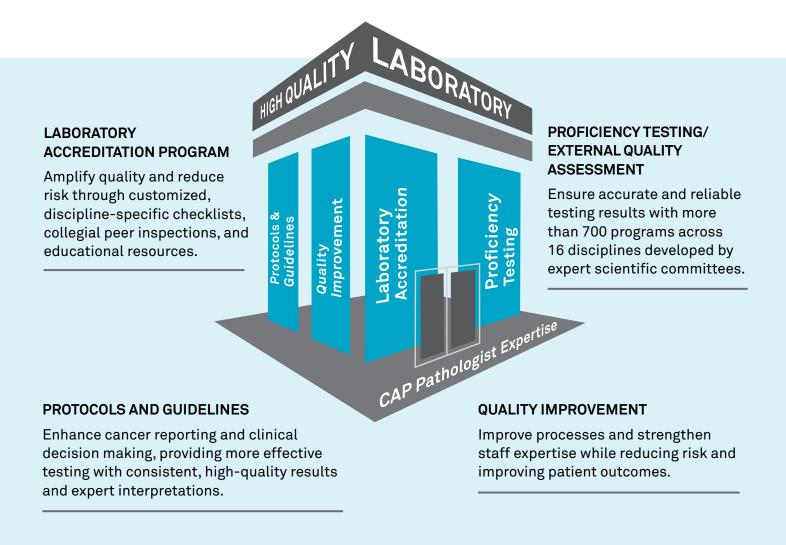
Biomarkers can be tested through a variety of methodologies (eg, flow cytometry, immunohistochemistry, next-generation sequencing, PCR-based testing, karyotype, FISH, clinical chemistry). Each modality has different technical strengths and weaknesses, along with varied analytical and clinical specifications such as sensitivity and specificity. Results may not be clearly concordant across the modalities. This program will challenge pathologists to resolve discrepancies between different methods or "multimodality" biomarker testing.

- NMBA Online program, whole slide images powered by DigitalScope technology (if available); NMBA provides CME or CE credit for one pathologist or laboratory professional.
- NMB1 Reporting option with CME or CE credit for each additional pathologist or laboratory professional (within the same institution); must order in conjunction with program NMBA.
- Two mailings per year with two cases each mailing
- Earn a maximum of five CME credits (AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™) per pathologist and a maximum of five CE credits per laboratory professional per year.
- This activity meets the ABPath CC requirements for Improvement in Health and Health Care (IHHC).
- Two online activities per year; your CAP shipping contact will be notified <u>via email</u> when the activity is available.



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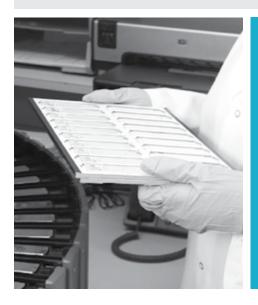
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Human Papillomavirus (High Risk) for Cytopathology (CHPVD, CHPVJ, CPHVK, CHPVM)
See program CHPV

Surgical Pathology

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Online Performance Improvement Program in Surgical Pathology PIPW/PIPW1						
Program	Program Code Challenges per Shipment					
	PIPW/PIPW1					
Surgical pathology case review	■ 10					

Additional Information

- Program PIPW prepares pathologists to succeed by providing ongoing diagnostic learning in general surgical pathology.
- Pathologists can assess their diagnostic skills and compare their performance with that of their peers.
- Included PIPW case selections feature:
 - O A variety of neoplastic and nonneoplastic lesions
 - o Inflammatory and infectious diseases
 - O Various sites, encompassing a variety of organ systems
 - Two PIPW cases per release are from smaller tumors and do not duplicate PIP (glass).
- See system requirements on page 12.

- PIPW Ten diagnostic challenges/whole slide H&E images with clinical history; CME credit is available for one pathologist; for each additional pathologist, order PIPW1.
- PIPW1 Reporting option with CME credit for each additional pathologist (within the same institution); must order in conjunction with program PIPW.
- Earn a maximum of 40 CME credits (AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™) per pathologist for completion of an entire year.
- This activity meets the ABPath CC requirements for Improvement in Health and Health Care (IHHC).
- Powered by DigitalScope® technology
- Four online activities per year; your CAP shipping contact will be notified via email when the activity is available.



Performance Improvement Program in Surgical Pathology PIP/PIP1					
Program	Program Code Challenges per Shipment				
	PIP/PIP1				
Surgical pathology case review	I	10			

- PIP prepares pathologists to succeed by providing ongoing diagnostic learning in general surgical pathology.
- · This program:
 - o Provides a practical approach to continuing education
 - o Gives pathologists a method to assess their diagnostic skills and compare their performance with that of their peers
 - O Allows staff to experience smaller tumors and more interesting cases by providing three online cases per release
 - o Features PIP case selections that include:
 - A variety of neoplastic and nonneoplastic lesions
 - Inflammatory and infectious diseases
 - Various sites, encompassing a variety of organ systems

- PIP Ten diagnostic challenges with clinical history: seven H&E stained glass slides and three online only cases; CME credit is available for one pathologist; for each additional pathologist, order PIP1.
- · PIP1 Reporting option with CME credit for each additional pathologist (within the same institution); must order in conjunction with program PIP.
- · Powered by DigitalScope technology
- · Earn a maximum of 40 CME credits (AMA PRA Category 1 Credits) per pathologist for completion of an entire year.
- · This activity meets the ABPath CC requirements for Improvement in Health and Health Care (IHHC).
- · Four shipments per year



Virtual Biopsy Program VBP/VBP1					
Program Code Challenges per Shipment					
	VBP/VBP1				
Online biopsy case review		5			

- VBP prepares pathologists to succeed by providing ongoing diagnostic learning in surgical pathology.
- This program is applicable to all pathologists, including general pathologists, and focuses on biopsy material. Cases may include gross, radiographic, or endoscopic images.
- There are four topical releases per year that focus on benign and malignant pathology. Cases are from selected organ systems and may include a variety of specimen types (eg, core biopsies, endoscopic biopsies, curettings, aspirate smears).
- See system requirements on page 12.

- VBP Five diagnostic challenges/whole slide images with clinical history; reporting with CME credit is available for one pathologist; for each additional pathologist, order VBP1.
- VBP1 Reporting option
 with CME credit for each
 additional pathologist
 (within the same institution);
 must order in conjunction
 with program VBP.
- Earn a maximum of 25 CME credits (AMA PRA Category 1 Credits) per pathologist for completion of an entire year.
- This activity meets the ABPath CC requirements for Improvement in Health and Health Care (IHHC).
- Powered by DigitalScope technology
- Four online activities per year; your CAP shipping contact will be notified via email when the activity is available.



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Clinical Pathology Improvement Program CPIP/CPIP1					
Program Name Program Code Cases per Year					
	CPIP/CPIP1				
Online cases in clinical pathology	I	12			

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- · Pathologists with clinical and/or laboratory management responsibilities
- · Pathologists seeking CME CC credits in clinical pathology
- · Subspecialty clinical pathologists who need to keep current

Discipline	Case Schedule (subject to change)	Month 2026
Cytogenetics	Update and Testing Algorithms for Plasma Cell Disorders	January
Microbiology	HIV Testing	February
Hematology	Reactive Lymphocytoses	March
Transfusion	Indeterminate RhD Typing	April
Hematology	Red Cell Membrane and Enzymatic Defects	May
Molecular	Next Generation Sequencing & Molecular Basics	June
Chemistry	Westgard Rules Application in Quality Control	July
Transfusion	Patient Blood Management	August
Immunology	Syphilis Serology	September
Laboratory Management	Root Cause Analysis	October
Microbiology	Appropriate Microbiology Sample Collection	November
Hematology	Evaluation for Leukopenia	December

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- CPIP One online clinical laboratory case per month
- CPIP1 Additional pathologist (within the same institution) reporting option with CME credit; must order in conjunction with CPIP.
- Earn a maximum of 15 CME credits (AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™) per year.
- Twelve cases per year; your CAP shipping contact will be notified via email when the activity is available.



Histotechnology Quality Improvement Programs (HistoQIP)

HistoQIP programs that include IHC stains assess preanalytic steps. For immunohistochemistry programs that focus on instrument analytic and pathologist readout steps, see the immunohistochemistry programs on pages 298–303.

CAP/NSH Histotechnology Quality Improvement Program HQIP				
Stain/Tissue	Program Code	Challenges	per Shipment	
	HQIP	Α	В	
H&E - Fallopian tube resection	ı	1		
H&E - Small intestine resection	ı	1		
IHC - Desmin, uterus resection	ı	1		
IHC - SOX10, skin resection	•	1		
Special Stain - PAS, kidney biopsy	ı	1		
H&E - Appendix resection	ı		1	
H&E - Ovary resection	•		1	
IHC - CD8, tonsil	•		1	
IHC - PAX8, kidney resection	I		1	
Special Stain - Iron, liver wedge or biopsy with abundantly positive iron	•		1	

HistoQIP improves histologic slide preparation in anatomic pathology laboratories. In this educational program, an expert panel of pathologists, histotechnologists, and histotechnicians evaluates submitted slides for histologic technique using uniform grading criteria. Participants receive laboratory-specific evaluations and participant summaries with peer comparison data and detailed discussions. For biopsy or immunohistochemistry specific programs, see individual program listings.

- Participant laboratories may submit up to five stained coverslipped glass slides from the list of challenges per mailing.
- · Two shipments per year



CAP/NSH HistoQIP Biopsy Program HQIPBX				
Stain/Tissue	Program Code Challenges per Shipme			
	HQIPBX	Α	В	
H&E - Bladder biopsy		1		
H&E - Cervical biopsy		1		
H&E - Skin punch biopsy		1		
H&E - Stomach biopsy	•	1		
H&E - Colon biopsy			1	
H&E - Endometrial biopsy			1	
H&E - Prostate needle biopsy			1	
H&E - Breast core biopsy			1	

The HistoQIP Biopsy program is an additional program to improve the preparation of histologic slides in anatomic pathology laboratories. In this educational program, an expert panel of pathologists, histotechnologists, and histotechnicians evaluates submitted slides for histologic technique using uniform grading criteria. Participants receive laboratory-specific evaluations and participant summaries with peer comparison data.

Program Information

- Participant laboratories may submit up to four stained coverslipped glass slides from the list of challenges per mailing.
- Two shipments per year



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CAP/NSH HistoQIP Biopsy Specialty Programs HQBX1, HQBX2, HQBX3, HQBX4

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Stain/Tissue						enges per ipment	
	HQBX1	HQBX2	HQBX3	HQBX4	Α	В	
Gastrointestinal Biopsy Module							
H&E - Colon biopsy	•				1	1	
H&E - Esophagus biopsy	ı				1	1	
H&E - Small intestine biopsy	ı				1	1	
H&E - Stomach biopsy	•				1	1	
Dermatopathology Biopsy Module							
H&E - Alopecia biopsy					1	1	
H&E - Skin excisional biopsy, large excision		ı			1	1	
H&E - Skin punch biopsy					1	1	
H&E - Skin shave biopsy					1	1	
Urogenital Tract Biopsy Module							
H&E - Bladder biopsy, nonneoplastic					1	1	
H&E - Bladder biopsy, urothelial carcinoma					1	1	
H&E - Prostate needle biopsy, nonneoplastic					1	1	
H&E - Prostate needle biopsy, prostatic carcinoma					1	1	
Gynecological Biopsy Module							
H&E - Cervical biopsy					1	1	
H&E - Endometrial biopsy					1	1	
H&E - Cervical cone/LEEP					1	1	
H&E - Vulvar biopsy				ı	1	1	

The HistoQIP Biopsy Specialty Programs include modules to improve the preparation of histologic slides in anatomic pathology laboratories that handle gastrointestinal, dermatopathology, urogenital tract, and gynecologic biopsies. In this educational program, an expert panel of pathologists, histotechnologists, and histotechnicians evaluates submitted slides for histologic technique using uniform grading criteria. Participants receive laboratory-specific evaluations and participant summaries with peer comparison data.

- Participant laboratories may submit up to four stained coverslipped glass slides from the list of challenges per mailing.
- Two shipments per year



CAP/NSH HistoQIP Immunohistochemistry Program HQIHC				
Stain/Tissue	Program Code	Challenges p	er Shipment	
	HQIHC	Α	В	
IHC - BAP1, melanoma	ı	1		
IHC - MDM2, liposarcoma		1		
IHC - Synaptophysin, pancreas		1		
IHC - p63, bladder biopsy		1		
IHC - CD20, lymph node excision	I	1		
IHC - GATA3, breast			1	
IHC - CD30, Hodgkin lymphoma			1	
IHC - NKX3.1, prostatic adenocarcinoma			1	
IHC - Thyroglobulin, thyroid			1	
IHC - CK7, lung biopsy or wedge			1	

The HistoQIP Immunohistochemistry Program improves the preparation of immunohistochemistry slides in anatomic pathology laboratories that handle a broad range of surgical specimens. In this educational program, an expert panel of pathologists, histotechnologists, and histotechnicians evaluates submitted slides for histologic technique using uniform grading criteria. Participants receive laboratoryspecific evaluations and participant summaries with peer comparison data.

Program Information

- · Participant laboratories may submit up to five stained coverslipped glass slides per mailing from the list of challenges.
- · Two shipments per year



CAP/NSH HistoQIP In Situ Hybridization Program HQISH

Stain/Tissue	Program Code	Challenges per Shipmen		
	HQISH	Α	В	
H&E - Oropharyngeal squamous cell carcinoma, HPV high risk positive		1		
ISH - DNA/RNA negative control probe ISH		1		
ISH - DNA/RNA positive control probe ISH		1		
ISH - HPV high risk (HPV probe, ISH), oropharyngeal squamous cell carcinoma		1		
H&E - Breast carcinoma biopsy, HER2 amplified			1	
ISH - DNA/RNA negative control probe ISH			1	
ISH - DNA/RNA positive control probe ISH			1	
ISH - HER2 (HER2 dual probe, ISH), breast carcinoma biopsy	I		1	

This program augments efforts to improve the preparation of ISH slides in anatomic pathology laboratories that handle specimens undergoing analysis for detection by chromogenic in situ hybridization. Participants receive laboratory-specific evaluations and participant summaries with peer comparison data.

- · Participant laboratories submit four stained coverslipped glass slides from the list of challenges per mailing.
- · Two shipments per year



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CAP/NSH HistoQIP Cell Block Preparations Program HQCLB				
Stain/Tissue	Program Code	Challenges p	er Shipment	
	HQCLB	Α	В	
H&E - Pleural fluid	I	1		
IHC - TTF-1, pleural fluid	ı	1		
H&E - Metastatic carcinoma lymph node FNA	ı	1		
IHC - P63 or P40, metastatic carcinoma lymph node FNA	•	1		
H&E - Lung mass adenocarcinoma FNA	ı		1	
IHC - Napsin A, lung mass adenocarcinoma FNA			1	
H&E - Metastatic carcinoma peritoneal fluid	ı		1	
IHC - PAX8, metastatic carcinoma peritoneal fluid	ı		1	

This program augments efforts to improve the preparation of H&E and immunohistochemical slides in anatomic pathology and cytopathology laboratories that handle cell block preparations. Participants receive laboratory-specific evaluations and participant summaries with peer comparison data and detailed discussions.

Program Information

- · Participant laboratories may submit up to four stained coverslipped glass slides from the list of challenges per mailing.
- · Two shipments per year



CAP/NSH HistoQIP Dermatopathology Program HQMEL

Stain/Tissue	Program Code	Challenges per Shipmer	
	HQMEL	Α	В
H&E - Melanoma skin resection	1	1	
IHC - S100, melanoma skin resection	I	1	
IHC - HMB-45, melanoma skin resection	I	1	
H&E - Melanoma skin biopsy	I	1	
IHC - MITF, melanoma skin biopsy	I	1	
H&E - Melanoma skin biopsy	ı		1
IHC - melan A/MART-1, melanoma skin biopsy	I		1
IHC - SOX10, melanoma skin biopsy	ı		1
H&E - Melanoma skin resection	ı		1
IHC - PRAME, melanoma skin resection	ı		1

This program augments efforts to improve the preparation of H&E and immunohistochemical slides in anatomic pathology laboratories that handle dermatopathology specimens. Participants receive laboratory-specific evaluations and participant summaries with peer comparison data.

- · Participant laboratories may submit up to five stained coverslipped glass slides from the list of challenges per mailing.
- · Two shipments per year



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CAP/NSH HistoQIP Mismatch Repair IHC Program HQMMR			
Stain/Tissue	Program Code	Challenges	oer Shipment
	HQMMR	Α	В
H&E - Colonic adenocarcinoma		1	
IHC - MLH1, colonic adenocarcinoma		1	
IHC - MSH2, colonic adenocarcinoma		1	
IHC - MSH6, colonic adenocarcinoma		1	
IHC - PMS2, colonic adenocarcinoma		1	
H&E - Endometrial adenocarcinoma			1
IHC - MLH1, endometrial adenocarcinoma			1
IHC - MSH2, endometrial adenocarcinoma			1
IHC - MSH6, endometrial adenocarcinoma			1
IHC - PMS2, endometrial adenocarcinoma			1

This program augments efforts to improve the preparation of H&E and immunohistochemical slides in anatomic pathology laboratories that handle colonic and endometrial tumors performing mismatch repair IHC. Participants receive laboratory-specific evaluations and participant summaries with peer comparison data.

Program Information

- · Participant laboratories submit five stained coverslipped glass slides per mailing from the list of challenges.
- · Two shipments per year



CAP/NSH HistoQIP Central Nervous System Program HQNEU

Stain/Tissue	Program Code	Challenges p	er Shipment
	HQNEU	Α	В
H&E - Glioblastoma	1	1	
IHC - GFAP, glioblastoma	ı	1	
IHC - p53, glioblastoma		1	
H&E - IDH1 mutant glioma		1	
IHC - IDH1 (R132H), IDH1 mutant glioma		1	
H&E - Low grade astrocytoma			1
IHC - S100, low grade astrocytoma			1
IHC - Ki-67, low grade astrocytoma			1
H&E - ATRX wildtype glioma			1
IHC - ATRX, ATRX wildtype glioma			1

This program augments efforts to improve the preparation of H&E and immunohistochemical slides in anatomic pathology laboratories that handle central nervous system gliomas. Participants receive laboratory-specific evaluations and participant summaries with peer comparison data.

- · Participant laboratories may submit up to five stained coverslipped glass slides per mailing from the list of challenges.
- · Two shipments per year



CAP/NSH HistoQIP Non-small Cell Lung Carcinoma Program HQNSC Stain/Tissue **Program Code** Challenges per Shipment **HQNSC** В Α H&E - Lung adenocarcinoma 1 1 IHC - TTF-1, lung adenocarcinoma IHC - Napsin A, lung adenocarcinoma 1 H&E - Lung adenocarcinoma 1 IHC - ALK, lung adenocarcinoma 1 H&E - Lung squamous cell carcinoma IHC - p40 or p63, lung squamous cell 1 carcinoma IHC - CK5 or CK5/6, lung squamous cell 1 carcinoma H&E - Lung squamous cell carcinoma 1

This program augments efforts to improve the preparation of H&E and immunohistochemical slides in anatomic pathology laboratories that handle non-small cell lung carcinoma. Participants receive laboratory-specific evaluations and participant summaries with peer comparison data.

IHC - PD-L1, lung squamous cell carcinoma

Program Information

- Participant laboratories may submit up to five stained coverslipped glass slides per mailing from the list of challenges.
- · Two shipments per year



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CAP/NSH HistoQIP Pediatric Program HQPED Stain/Tissue **Program Code** Challenges per Shipment **HQPED** Α H&E - Colon resection for Hirschsprung ı 1 disease IHC - Calretinin, colon resection for 1 П Hirschsprung disease H&E - Wilms tumor renal resection 1 IHC - WT1, Wilms tumor renal resection 1 H&E - Rhabdomyosarcoma 1 IHC - Myogenin, rhabdomyosarcoma 1 H&E - Infantile hemangioma excision 1 IHC - GLUT1, infantile hemangioma excision

This program augments efforts to improve the preparation of H&E and immunohistochemical slides in anatomic pathology laboratories that handle pediatric specimens. Participants receive laboratory-specific evaluations and participant summaries with peer comparison data.

- Participant laboratories may submit up to four stained coverslipped glass slides per mailing from the list of challenges.
- · Two shipments per year



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CAP/NSH HistoQIP Targeted Therapy Program HQTAR			
Stain/Tissue	Program Code	Challenges p	er Shipment
	HQTAR	Α	В
H&E - Breast ductal carcinoma needle core biopsy	1	1	
IHC - HER2, breast ductal carcinoma needle core biopsy	1	1	
H&E - Breast lobular carcinoma resection	•	1	
IHC - ER, breast lobular carcinoma resection	•	1	
H&E - Gastroesophageal adenocarcinoma	•		1
IHC - HER2, gastroesophageal adenocarcinoma	•		1
H&E - Gastroesophageal adenocarcinoma	•		1
IHC - Claudin 18.2, gastroesophageal adenocarcinoma	I		1

This program augments efforts to improve the preparation of H&E and immunohistochemical slides in anatomic pathology laboratories that handle specimens undergoing analysis for targeted therapies. Participants receive laboratory-specific evaluations and participant summaries with peer comparison data.

Program Information

- · Participant laboratories may submit up to four stained coverslipped glass slides per mailing from the list of challenges.
- · Two shipments per year



CAP/NSH HistoQIP Whole Slide Image Program HQWSI Stain/Tissue **Program Code** Challenges per Shipment **HQWSI** В Α H&E - Kidney biopsy 1 1 H&E - Pancreas resection Special Stain - Silver (Jones), kidney biopsy 1 IHC - Synaptophysin, pancreas resection 1 H&E - Prostate invasive adenocarcinoma 1 biopsy H&E - Ovary resection 1 П H&E - Lung biopsy 1 Special Stain - AFB, control tissue IHC - TTF-1, lung biopsy 1

The program provides feedback to laboratories using whole slide imaging for clinical applications. Participants upload their scanned whole slide images to the CAP designated server. In this educational program, an expert panel of pathologists, histotechnologists, and histotechnicians evaluates whole slide images for histologic technique and image quality. Participants receive laboratory-specific evaluations and participant summaries with peer comparison data and detailed discussions, as well as annotated feedback directly on their uploaded images.

H&E - Breast invasive carcinoma

Program Information

- · Participant laboratories may submit up to five stained coverslipped glass slides and corresponding scanned whole slide images per mailing from the list of challenges.
- Online whole slide images powered by DigitalScope technology
- Two shipments per year



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General Immunohistochemistry

Analytes/procedures in **bold** type are regulated for proficiency testing by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS).

These immunohistochemistry programs assess instrument analytic and pathologist readout steps. For programs focusing on preanalytic steps, see the HistoQIP IHC programs on pages 290–297.

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Procedure	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment
	MK	
Immunohistochemistry	I	16

The MK program allows laboratories to compare their assay methodology and results with all participating laboratories. Case materials are donated and represent a variety of diagnostic entities. Markers will vary in each case and will provide a wide range of IHC testing for routine surgical pathology practices.

Program Information

- Five glass slides with unstained tissue sections from four separate cases; each case includes four slides for selected IHC markers and one slide for H&E.
- · Two shipments per year

CD117 Immunohistochemistry Tissue Microarray PM1			
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipmen			
PM1			
CD117		10	

For ER/PgR testing, see the PM2 program on page 300.

Program Information

- One 10-core tissue microarray slide
- · One shipment per year

Immunohistochemistry Tissue Microarray Series PM5			
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipmer			
PM5			
Claudin 18.2		10	
SF1	•	10	

Each year, the PM5 program will feature two different markers for immunohistochemistry laboratories to evaluate assay performance on a variety of tissue and/or tumor types. The IHC markers for this program may change from those listed above due to development constraints.

- Two 10-core tissue microarray slides, one for Claudin 18.2 and one for SF1
- · One shipment per year

p53 Immunohistochemistry Tissue Microarray P53		
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipment		
P53		
p53	I	10

The purpose of this program is to assess the laboratory's ability to detect various patterns of p53 staining, which is diagnostically useful in several tumor types.

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Dermatopathology Immunohistochemistry DPIHC			
Procedure Program Code Challenges per Shipmen			
DPIHC			
Dermatopathology	ı	8	

This case-based program assesses the laboratory's ability to perform and interpret immunostains commonly used in dermatopathology practice.

Program Information

- One 10-core tissue microarray slide
- · Two shipments per year

Program Information

- Six glass slides with unstained tissue sections from two separate cases; each case includes four slides for selected IHC markers, one slide for H&E, and one slide for negative control.
- Two shipments per year

CAP/ACMG <i>ERBB2 (HER2)</i> Amplification by FISH, Interpretation Only CYHI				
Analyte/Procedure Program Code Challenges per Shipment				
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ERBB2 (HER2) amplification in breast cancer, interpretation only		3		

Additional Information

- ERBB2 (HER2) Amplification by FISH, Interpretation Only is not considered proficiency testing. This exercise may be used to meet the requirements for alternative assessment.
- This program is for laboratories that perform <u>interpretation only</u> for *ERBB2 (HER2)* FISH for breast cancer.
- For laboratories that perform both hybridization and interpretation for *ERBB2* (*HER2*) FISH for breast cancer under the same CLIA number, see program CYH on page 257.

- Three online interpretation challenges; your CAP shipping contact will be notified via email when the activity is available.
- Two shipments per year



Immunohistochemistry Predictive Markers

Analytes/procedures in bold type are regulated for proficiency testing by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS).

HER2 Immunohistochemistry HER2		
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment
HER2		
HER2		20

The HER2 program fulfills the proficiency testing requirement stated in the ASCO/CAP HER2 Testing Guideline. Due to the unique nature of these human donor-based materials, the shipping date is subject to change. If this should occur, the CAP will provide notification prior to the originally scheduled shipping date.

Program Information

- Two 10-core tissue microarray slides
- · Two shipments per year

Gastric HER2 GHER2				
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipmen				
	GHER2			
HER2		10		

Additional Information

- The Gastric HER2 program fulfills the proficiency testing requirement stated in the CAP/ASCP/ASCO Gastroesophageal HER2 Testing Guideline.
- The interpretive criteria for HER2 immunohistochemistry performed on gastroesophageal adenocarcinomas differ significantly from breast carcinoma. The GHER2 program will help participating laboratories understand these differences.
- The Gastric HER2 program also fulfills the proficiency testing requirement for new "Pan-Tumor HER2" treatment indications, since the assay-scoring system combination is the same for both Pan-Tumor and Gastric HER2.

ER/PgR Immunohistochemistry Tissue Microarray PM2					
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipment					
PM2					
Estrogen receptor (ER)	I	20			
Progesterone receptor (PgR) ■ 20					

The PM2 program fulfills the ER proficiency testing requirement and the PgR alternative assessment requirement stated in the ASCO/CAP ER/PgR Testing Guideline. Due to the unique nature of these human donor-based materials, the shipping date is subject to change. If this should occur, the CAP will provide notification prior to the originally scheduled shipping date.

Program Information

- One 10-core microarray slide with tumor tissue and/or cell line derived cores
- · Two shipments per year

- Four 10-core microarray slides, two for ER and two for PgR
- · Two shipments per year

CD20 Immunohistochemistry Tissue Microarray PM3					
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipment					
PM3					
CD20 ■ 10					

For ER/PgR testing, see the PM2 program on page 300.

Program Information

- One 10-core tissue microarray slide
- · Two shipments per year

Highly Sensitive Anapla	stic Lymphoma K	linase IHC	PM6
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per S	hipment

Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment
	PM6	
Highly sensitive anaplastic lymphoma kinase IHC (ALK)	I	10

This program assesses the laboratory's ability to detect ALK-rearranged lung cancers using highly sensitive ALK immunohistochemistry. The ALK1 clone is NOT highly sensitive and should not be used in this program.

BRAF V600E BRAFV					
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipmer					
BRAFV					
BRAF V600E ■ 10					

The purpose of this program is to assess the laboratory's ability to detect BRAF V600E mutant tumors using mutation-specific immunohistochemistry.

CD30 Immunohistochemistry Tissue Microarray CD30

Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment
	CD30	
CD30	I	10

This program assesses the laboratory's ability to detect CD30 expression in lymphomas, which has emerged as a key therapeutic target.

Program Information

- One 10-core tissue microarray slide
- · Two shipments per year

Program Information

- One 10-core tissue microarray slide
- Two shipments per year

- One 10-core tissue microarray slide
- · Two shipments per year

DNA Mismatch Repair MMR					
Procedure	Program Code Challenges per Shipment				
	MMR				
MLH1 by IHC		10			
MSH2 by IHC		10			
MSH6 by IHC		10			
PMS2 by IHC		10			

If your laboratory performs DNA mismatch repair by molecular methods, see the MSI program on page 276.

Program Information

- Four unstained cell line/ tissue microarray slides for the immunohistochemical analysis of DNA mismatch repair proteins MLH1, MSH2, MSH6, and PMS2
- Two shipments per year

PD-L1 Immunohistochemistry PDL1			
Analyte	Challenges per Shipment		
PD-L1	I	10	

The purpose of this program is to assess the laboratory's ability to detect PD-L1 expression and apply various PD-L1 scoring systems.

Program Information

- One 10-core tissue microarray slide; additional slide provided for H&E
- · Two shipments per year

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Navigating Multimodality Biomarker Assessment NMBA/NMB1					
Program Name Program Code Cases per Mailing					
NMBA/NMB1					
Multimodality biomarker assessment case analysis					

Biomarkers can be tested through a variety of methodologies (eg, flow cytometry, immunohistochemistry, next-generation sequencing, PCR-based testing, karyotype, FISH, clinical chemistry). Each modality has different technical strengths and weaknesses, along with varied analytical and clinical specifications such as sensitivity and specificity. Results may not be clearly concordant across the modalities. This program will challenge pathologists to resolve discrepancies between different methods or "multimodality" biomarker testing.

- · NMBA Online program, whole slide images powered by DigitalScope technology (if available); NMBA provides CME or CE credit for one pathologist or laboratory professional.
- NMB1 Reporting option with CME or CE credit for each additional pathologist or laboratory professional (within the same institution); must order in conjunction with program NMBA.
- · Two mailings per year with two cases each mailing
- · Earn a maximum of five CME credits (AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™) per pathologist and a maximum of five CE credits per laboratory professional per year.
- · This activity meets the ABPath CC requirements for Improvement in Health and Health Care (IHHC).
- Two online activities per year; your CAP shipping contact will be notified via email when the activity is available.



Ki-67

Immunohistochemistry Prognostic Markers

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c-Myc/Bcl-2 Immunohistochemistry Tissue Microarray MYCB					
Analyte Program Code Challenges per Shipment					
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с-Мус	I	10			
Bcl-2	I	10			

This program assesses the laboratory's ability to detect c-Myc and Bcl-2-positivity in large B-cell lymphomas, which have emerged as critical prognostic markers.

Program Information

- Two 10-core tissue microarray slides, one for c-Myc and one for Bcl-2
- Two shipments per year

p16 Immunohistochemistry Tissue Microarray P16

Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment
	P16	
p16	I	10

This program assesses the laboratory's ability to detect p16 overexpression in squamous cell carcinomas, mainly as a surrogate for HR-HPV detection in head and neck tumors.

Ki-67 Immunohistochemistry Tissue Microarray KI67 Procedure Program Code Challenges per Shipment KI67

The purpose of this program is to assess the laboratory's ability to accurately quantify the Ki-67 proliferation index, which is prognostically significant and emerging as a companion diagnostic.

Program Information

- One 10-core tissue microarray slide
- Two shipments per year

Program Information

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- One 10-core cell line tissue microarray slide
- · Two shipments per year

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Immunohistochemistry Interpretation Only Programs

Gastric, Pan Interpretation (NEW			
Analyte/Procedure	Analyte/Procedure Program Code			
	GPH/GPH1			
GPH online image review	I	10		

Additional Information

- This program is designed for analyte-specific assessment of Gastric and Pan Tumor (non-breast) HER2 interpretation. Gastric, Pan Tumor HER2, Interpretation Only is an exercise and not considered proficiency testing.
- For laboratories that perform both staining and interpretation for GHER2 under the same CLIA number, see page 300.

Program Information

- GPH Ten online whole slide images for GPH by IHC interpretation only
- Ten whole slide H&E images for GPH
- GPH1 Reporting option for each additional pathologist (within the same institution)
- Powered by DigitalScope technology
- This activity meets CAP Checklist requirement ANP.10010 for Professional Competency.
- One online activity per year; your CAP shipping contact will be notified via email when the activity is available.

HER2 and ER Immunohistochemistry, Interpretation Only HERI/HERI1 Analyte/Procedure Program Code Challenges per Shipment HER1/HER11 HER2 online image review I 10 ER online image review I 10

Additional Information

- This program is designed for analyte-specific assessment of HER2 and ER interpretation in breast cancer. HER2 and ER Immunohistochemistry Interpretation Only is an exercise and not considered proficiency testing.
- For laboratories that perform both staining and interpretation for HER2 and ER under the same CLIA number, see page 300.
- This program will include the revised scoring categories for Negative (0), allowing for reporting of HER2 "ultralow" in breast cancer.

- HERI Ten online whole slide images each for HER2 and ER by IHC interpretation only; 10 whole slide images for H&E
- HERI1 Reporting option for each additional pathologist (within the same institution)
- Powered by DigitalScope technology
- This activity meets CAP Checklist requirement ANP.10010 for Professional Competency.
- One online activity per year; your CAP shipping contact will be notified via email when the activity is available.

PD-L1 Tumor Proportion Score IHC, Interpretation Only TPS/TPS1				
Analyte/Procedure Program Code Challenges per Shipmen				
TPS/TPS1				
PD-L1 TPS online image review		10		

- This program is designed for analyte-specific assessment of PD-L1 Tumor
 Proportion Score IHC Interpretation Only (in lung tumors). PD-L1 Tumor Proportion
 Score IHC Interpretation Only is an exercise and not considered proficiency testing.
- For laboratories that perform both staining and interpretation for PD-L1 under the same CLIA number, see page 302.

Program Information

- Ten whole slide H&E images for PD-L1 TPS
- TPS1 Reporting option for each additional pathologist (within the same institution)
- Powered by DigitalScope technology
- This activity meets CAP Checklist requirement ANP.10010 for Professional Competency.
- One online activity per year; your CAP shipping contact will be notified <u>via email</u> when the activity is available.

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Autopsy Pathology AUP/AUP1				
Procedure Program Code Challenges per Shipmen				
	AUP/AUP1			
Autopsy online case analysis	I	5		

- Program AUP prepares pathologists and pathologist's assistants to succeed by providing ongoing diagnostic learning in autopsy pathology.
- · Each case includes case description, gross and/or microscopic images, and case discussion with sample death certificate, key teaching points, and current references.

- AUP Online activity providing five cases; an activity including an additional mini-symposium; reporting with CME or CE credit is available for one pathologist or pathologist's assistant; for each additional pathologist/pathologist's assistant, order AUP1.
- · Includes the option to download program content
- AUP1 Reporting option with CME or CE credit for each additional pathologist or pathologist's assistant (within the same institution); must order in conjunction with program AUP.
- · Earn a maximum of 12.5 CME credits (AMA PRA Category 1 Credits) per pathologist and a maximum of 12.5 CE credits per pathologist's assistant for completion of entire year.
- · This activity meets the ABPath CC requirements for Improvement in Health and Health Care (IHHC).
- Online whole slide images powered by DigitalScope technology (if available)
- Two online activities per year; your CAP shipping contact will be notified via email when the activity is available.



Digital Slide Program—Dermatopathology DPATH/DPATH1					
Program Code Challenges per Shipment					
DPATH/DPATH1					
Online dermatopathology case review	ı	6			

- Program DPATH prepares pathologists, dermatopathologists, and dermatologists to succeed by providing ongoing diagnostic learning in dermatopathology.
- · Cases include static images.
- See system requirements on page 12.

- DPATH Six diagnostic challenges/whole slide images with clinical history; reporting with CME credit is available for one pathologist; for each additional pathologist, order DPATH1.
- DPATH1 Reporting option with CME credit for each additional pathologist (within the same institution); must order in conjunction with program DPATH.
- Earn a maximum of 15 CME credits (AMA PRA Category 1 Credits) per pathologist for completion of an entire year.
- This activity meets the ABPath CC requirements for Improvement in Health and Health Care (IHHC).
- Powered by DigitalScope technology
- Two online activities per year; your CAP shipping contact will be notified <u>via email</u> when the activity is available.



Hematopathology Onli	ne Education H	PATH/HPATH1
Program	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment
	HPATH/HPATH1	
Hematopathology online case review	I	5

HPATH/HPATH1 prepares pathologists and pathology trainees with an interest in hematopathology to succeed by providing ongoing diagnostic learning and self-assessment.

The program includes 10 challenge cases written by expert hematopathologists per year. For each case, the learner will:

- Review virtual whole slide image(s) in the context of a clinical scenario and relevant laboratory data.
- · Select and interpret appropriate ancillary studies (IHC, flow cytometry, FISH, cytogenetics, molecular studies, etc) with real-time feedback.
- Simulate a real-world diagnostic workup to arrive at the appropriate diagnosis.
- · Apply knowledge to answer three CME questions.

Cases span the breadth of benign and neoplastic hematopathology. Discussions incorporate current best practices in the workup, diagnosis, and subclassification of hematolymphoid diseases.

Neoplastic entities are discussed in the context of both the International Consensus Classification (ICC) and the fifth edition of the World Health Organization (WHO) classification.

See system requirements on page 12.

- HPATH Five diagnostic challenges per activity (two activities per year), with online whole slide images. Reporting with CME credit is available for one participant.
- HPATH1 Reporting option with CME credit for each additional participant (within the same institution); must order in conjunction with program HPATH.
- Earn a maximum of 12.5 CME credits (AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™) per participant.
- · This activity meets the ABPath CC requirements for Improvement in Health and Health Care (IHHC).
- · Powered by DigitalScope technology
- Two online activities per year; your CAP shipping contact will be notified via email when the activity is available.



Neuropathology Program NP/NP1					
Program Code Challenges per Shipment					
NP/NP1					
Neuropathology online case review	I	8			

Program NP prepares anatomic pathologists, neuropathologists, and trainees to succeed by providing ongoing diagnostic learning in neuropathology. Each educational program includes eight cases that cover the spectrum of neoplastic and nonneoplastic disorders affecting the central and peripheral nervous systems, including infectious, degenerative, developmental, demyelinating, traumatic, toxic-metabolic, vascular, and neuromuscular diseases. In addition, each program offering will include a minisymposium focusing on a specific problem area in neuropathology that relates to at least four of the eight cases.

- NP Online activity providing eight cases and a minisymposium; reporting with CME credit is available for one pathologist; for each additional pathologist, order NP1.
- Includes option to download program content
- NP1 Reporting option with CME credit for each additional pathologist (within the same institution); must order in conjunction with program NP.
- Earn a maximum of 10 CME credits (AMA PRA Category 1 Credits) per pathologist.
- This activity meets the ABPath CC requirements for Improvement in Health and Health Care (IHHC).
- Powered by DigitalScope technology
- Two online activities per year; your CAP shipping contact will be notified <u>via email</u> when the activity is available.



Cytopathology

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Glass Slide Gynecologic Cytopathology PT Program With Glass Slide PAP Education PAP PT

Slide Type	Program Code			Challenge	es per Year		
	PAPCPT	PAPKPT	PAPMPT	PAPLPT	PAPJPT	Proficiency Testing	Education
Conventional							
SurePath					I		
ThinPrep						10	10
Individual Participant Response Form	APAPCPT	APAPKPT	APAPMPT	APAPLPT	APAPJPT		

Programs PAPCPT, PAPKPT, PAPMPT, PAPLPT, and PAPJPT prepare pathologists and cytotechnologists to succeed by providing ongoing diagnostic learning in gynecologic cytopathology.

Ordering Information

You will receive one shipment for proficiency testing (10 slides) and two additional shipments for your education (five slides each).

Follow these steps to order your PAP Proficiency Testing and PAP Education:

- 1. Choose the following:
 - a. Slide type program code (refer to table above)
 - b. PAP Education series shipment dates (choose one)
 - Series 1
 - O A mailing ships in February
 - o B mailing ships in August
 - Series 2
 - o A mailing ships in May
 - o B mailing ships in November
 - c. Add the PAP Education series number after the slide type program code (eg, PAPCPT1, PAPCPT2).
- Order one Individual Participant Response Form code for each participating pathologist/cytotechnologist. Include the PAP Education Series number after the program code (eg, APAPCPT1).
- 3. Select one primary testing session option with two alternative date options using the Gynecologic Cytology Proficiency Testing Order Details Form.
- 4. PPTENR is required by CMS as verification that personnel required to participate in PAP PT under its CLIA number are taking the examination at another laboratory.

Additional Information

- Participants will receive an evaluation via email shortly after submitting results.
- The PAP Education component meets the CAP Laboratory Accreditation Program requirement for participation in a peer educational program.

- Ten glass slides for proficiency testing and 10 glass slides for education
- APAPCPT, APAPKPT, APAPMPT, APAPLPT, APAPJPT - Reporting option with CME or CE credit for each pathologist/ cytotechnologist (within the same institution); must order in conjunction with PAPCPT, PAPKPT, PAPMPT, PAPLPT, PAPJPT.
- Earn a maximum of eight CME credits (AMA PRA Category 1 Credits) per pathologist and a maximum of eight CE credits per cytotechnologist for completing all challenges.
- This activity meets the ABPath CC requirements for Improvement in Health and Health Care (IHHC).
- Three shipments per year; one shipment for proficiency testing (10 slides) and two shipments for education (five slides each)



Cytopathology Glass Slide Education Program PAPCE, PAPJE, PAPKE, PAPLE, PAPME Series 1 or 2

Slide Type		Р	Education Challenges per Year			
	PAPCE	PAPKE	PAPME	PAPLE	PAPJE	
Conventional	•					
SurePath						
ThinPrep			•	•		40
Individual Participant Response Form	APAPCE	APAPKE	APAPME	APAPLE	APAPJE	10

Programs PAPCE, PAPKE, PAPME, PAPLE, and PAPJE prepare pathologists and cytotechnologists to succeed by providing ongoing diagnostic learning in cytopathology.

Ordering Information

Follow these steps to order your PAP Education:

- 1. Choose the following:
 - a. Slide type program code (refer to table above)
 - b. PAP Education series shipment dates (choose one)
 - Series 1
 - O A mailing ships in February
 - O B mailing ships in August
 - Series 2
 - o A mailing ships in May
 - o B mailing ships in November
 - c. Add the PAP Education series number after the slide type program code (eg, PAPCE1, PAPCE2).
- 2. Order one Individual Participant Response Form code for each participating pathologist/cytotechnologist. Include the PAP Education series number after the program code (eg, APAPCE1).

Additional Information

- Participants will receive an evaluation <u>via email</u> shortly after submitting the laboratory form via fax.
- The PAP Education component meets the CAP Laboratory Accreditation Program requirement for participation in a peer educational program.

- Ten glass slides for education
- APAPCE, APAPJE, APAPKE, APAPLE, APAPME - Reporting option with CME or CE credit for each pathologist/ cytotechnologist (within the same institution); must order in conjunction with programs PAPCE, PAPJE, PAPKE, PAPLE, PAPME.
- Earn a maximum of eight CME credits (AMA PRA Category 1 Credits) per pathologist and a maximum of eight CE credits per cytotechnologist for completing all challenges.
- This activity meets the ABPath CC requirements for Improvement in Health and Health Care (IHHC).
- Two shipments (five slides each)



Human Papillomavirus (High Risk) for Cytopathology CHPV				
Analyte/Procedure	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment		
	CHPV			
HPV		5		
High-risk HPV genotyping (optional)		5		

- The specimens in this program are not intended to be specific to a transport medium. Laboratories should perform testing using the transport media used in their facility.
- For laboratories that perform high-risk HPV (HrHPV) genotyping in-house, this
 program provides opportunities to report specific HPV genotypes, which are
 educational.
- The CAP does not report genotyping responses to the CMS.

Program Information

- Five simulated cervical swab specimens
- · For use in molecular testing
- · Three shipments per year

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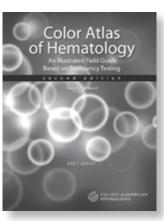
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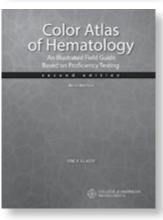
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Nongynecologic Cytopathology Education Program NGC/NGC1				
Procedure Program Code Challenges per Shipm				
	NGC/NGC1			
Nongynecologic cytopathology case review – glass slides	ı	5		
Nongynecologic cytopathology case review – online	ı	5 per year		

- Designed to help pathologists and cytotechnologists get ready to succeed, the
 Nongynecologic Cytopathology Education Program (NGC) is an interlaboratory
 educational opportunity to assess participants' screening and interpretive skills.
 The NGC program is unsuitable for proficiency testing as these cases are chosen
 for their educational value. Cases may incorporate static online images that include
 radiology and multiple aspects of pathology to enhance the interpretation.
- Participants will receive an evaluation <u>via email</u> shortly after submitting the laboratory form via fax.
- Additional online advanced education cases provide immediate feedback on interpretation selection, follow-up recommendations, and case-related educational questions.
- See system requirements on page 12.

- NGC Five glass slides per shipment; five online cases; one laboratory response form and two individual response forms
- NGC1 Reporting option with CME or CE credit for each additional pathologist/ cytotechnologist (within the same institution); must order in conjunction with program NGC.
- Earn a maximum of 25 CME credits (AMA PRA Category 1 Credits) per pathologist and a maximum of 25 CE credits per cytotechnologist for completing the glass slides and online cases.
- This activity meets the ABPath CC requirements for Improvement in Health and Health Care (IHHC).
- One complimentary online activity with whole slide images powered by DigitalScope technology
- Four shipments of glass slides per year



Digital Slide Program in Fine-Needle Aspiration FNA/FNA1						
Procedure Program Code Challenges per Shipment						
FNA/FNA1						
Online program in fine-needle aspiration case review 5						

- The FNA program gets pathologists and cytotechnologists ready to succeed by focusing on fine-needle aspiration diagnostic dilemmas in practice. Online cases, which consist of whole slide images and static images, provide immediate feedback on interpretation selection, ancillary studies selection, and case-related educational questions.
- Cases will focus on fine-needle aspiration of lymph node and GI EUS/liver/ abdominal topics.
- · May include rarely captured cases that may not be available on the glass slide
- See system requirements on page 12.

- FNA Five online diagnostic challenges; FNA provides CME or CE credit for one pathologist or cytotechnologist; for each additional pathologist or cytotechnologist, order FNA1.
- FNA1 Reporting option with CME or CE credit for each additional pathologist/ cytotechnologist (within the same institution); must order in conjunction with program FNA.
- · Earn a maximum of 10 CME credits (AMA PRA Category 1 Credits) per pathologist and a maximum of 10 CE credits per cytotechnologist.
- · This activity meets the ABPath CC requirements for Improvement in Health and Health Care (IHHC).
- Online whole slide images powered by DigitalScope technology
- Two online activities per year; your CAP shipping contact will be notified via email when the activity is available.



Fine-Needle Aspirati	on Glass Slide I	FNAG/FNAG1
Procedure	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment
	FNAG/FNAG1	
Fine-needle aspiration glass slide case review	I	5

- The Fine-Needle Aspiration Glass Slide program gets pathologists and cytotechnologists ready to succeed through an interlaboratory educational opportunity to assess participants' screening and interpretive skills. Program FNAG cases may include more than one slide of varying stains and/or preparations used on fine-needle aspirations.
- Cases may include static online images that incorporate radiology and multiple aspects of pathology to support the interpretation.
- Participants will receive an evaluation <u>via email</u> shortly after submitting the laboratory form via fax.

Program Information

- FNAG Five cases consisting of glass slides and selected online images, representing a variety of conditions; one laboratory response form and two individual response forms
- FNAG1 Reporting option with CME or CE credit for each additional pathologist/ cytotechnologist (within the same institution); must order in conjunction with program FNAG.
- Earn a maximum of 10 CME credits (AMA PRA Category 1 Credits) per pathologist and a maximum of 10 CE credits per cytotechnologist.
- This activity meets the ABPath CC requirements for Improvement in Health and Health Care (IHHC).
- Two shipments per year



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Forensic Pathology FR/FR1				
Procedure	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment		
	FR/FR1			
Forensic pathology cases		5		

Additional Information

- Cases may include or reflect anthropologic materials, ballistics, dental identification, DNA identification, environmental pathology, forensic evidence, injury pattern, medicolegal issues, toxicology, and trace evidence.
- FR prepares hospital-based pathologists, forensic pathologists, residents, fellows, and medical examiners/coroners for success by keeping them current in forensic pathology techniques and practices. This educational program is also designed for investigators, analysts, and technicians/technologists.

- FR Online activity containing five case studies illustrating gross and/or microscopic slides and questions related to medicolegal decision making; CME or CE credit is available for one pathologist or investigator. For each additional pathologist or investigator, order FR1.
- FR1 Additional pathologist or investigator (within the same institution) reporting option with CME or CE credit; must order in conjunction with program FR.
- · Includes option to download program content
- Earn a maximum of 12.5 CME credits (AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™) per pathologist and a maximum of 12.5 CE credits per investigator for completion of an entire year.
- · This activity meets the ABPath CC requirements for Improvement in Health and Health Care (IHHC).
- · Two online activities per year; your CAP shipping contact will be notified via email when the activity is available.



Vitreous Fluid, Postmortem VF				
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment		
	VF			
Acetone	I	3		
Chloride	I	3		
Creatinine	1	3		
Ethanol	I	3		
Glucose	I	3		
Potassium	I	3		
Sodium	1	3		
Vitreous urea nitrogen	ı	3		

Program Information

- Three 5.0-mL synthetic vitreous fluid specimens
- For forensic and other toxicology laboratories that perform quantitative analysis of vitreous fluid
- · Conventional and International System of Units (SI) reporting offered
- · Two shipments per year



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Forensic Toxicology, Criminalistics FTC				
Analyte	Program Code	Challenges per Shipment		
	FTC			
See drug listing below		5		

Program Information

- Five 20.0-mL whole blood specimens
- For crime and hospital laboratories that have forensic toxicology divisions performing qualitative and quantitative analysis of drugs in whole blood specimens
- Three shipments per year



FTC Program Drug Listing

Challenges will include a mix of drugs from the list below.

6-acetylmorphine (6-AM) 7-aminoclonazepam 7-aminoflunitrazepam 7-hydroxymitragynine Acetaminophen Alpha-hydroxyalprazolam Alprazolam Amitriptyline Amphetamine Aripiprazole Atenolol Atropine Benzoylecgonine Brompheniramine Buprenorphine Bupropion Butalbital Carbamazepine Carbamazepine-10, 11-epoxide Carisoprodol Chlordiazepoxide Chlorpheniramine Citalopram Clomipramine Clonazepam Clozapine Cocaethylene Cocaine Codeine	Desmethylsertraline Dextromethorphan Diazepam Dihydrocodeine Diltiazem Diphenhydramine Doxepin Doxylamine Duloxetine Ecgonine ethyl ester Ecgonine methyl ester Ephedrine Fentanyl* Flunitrazepam Fluoxetine Gabapentin Gamma-hydroxybutyrate (GHB) Hydrocodone Hydroxybupropion Hydroxyzine Ibuprofen Imipramine Ketamine Lamotrigine Levetiracetam Lidocaine Lorazepam Lysergic acid diethylamide (LSD) Meperidine*	Methylenedioxyamphetamine (MDA) Methylenedioxymethamphetamine (MDMA) Methylenedioxypyrovalerone (MDPV) Methylphenidate Metoprolol Midazolam Mirtazapine Mitragynine (Kratom) Morphine* N-desmethyltramadol Naproxen Norbuprenorphine Norchlordiazepoxide Norclomipramine Norcodeine Norcyclobenzaprine Nordiazepam Nordoxepin Norfluoxetine Norfluoxetine Normeperidine Normeperidine Normycodone Norpropoxyphene Norsertraline Nortriptyline	Oxymorphone Paroxetine Pentobarbital Phencyclidine Phenethylam Pheniramine Phenobarbital Phentermine Phenylephrin Pregabalin Propoxyphene Propranolol Pseudoephed Quetiapine Quinine Ranitidine Ritalinic acid Salicylate Sertraline Strychnine Tapentadol Temazepam Topiramate Tramadol Trazodone Trimipramine Valproic acid Venlafaxine Verapamil
Cocaethylene Cocaine	Lorazepam Lysergic acid diethylamide (LSD)	Norpropoxyphene Norsertraline	Venlafaxine
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Desmethylclomipramine

^{*}and/or metabolite(s)

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Analyte/Procedure Index

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Analytes/procedures in bold type whose corresponding program codes are bold are regulated for proficiency testing by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS).

Laboratories must perform five challenges three times per year (as noted by boldface) for analytes that are regulated by the CMS.

The X in the LAP ENR column denotes the CAP programs that can be used to fulfill the proficiency testing enrollment requirements for CAP-accredited laboratories. Use this index to identify the correct PT programs that match up to your laboratory's activity menu to meet accreditation requirements. For CAP-accredited laboratories outside the US, enrollment in CAP PT/EQA is required for all tests/activities if a program is available. Refer to program descriptions in this catalog to determine compatibility with your specific methodologies.

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5-hydroxyindoleacetic acid, qualitative		N	Urine Chemistry— Special	69
5-hydroxyindoleacetic acid, quantitative	Х	N	Urine Chemistry— Special	69
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		DMPM	Drug Monitoring for Pain Management	108
		FTC	Forensic Toxicology, Criminalistics	105
		T	Toxicology	96
		UT	Urine Toxicology	96
7-aminoflunitrazepam		DFC	Drug-Facilitated Crime	109
		FTC	Forensic Toxicology, Criminalistics	105
		Т	Toxicology	96
		UT	Urine Toxicology	96
7-hydroxymitragynine		FTC	Forensic Toxicology, Criminalistics	105
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ADL*	71	BCS1*	182	CGLQ*	46	CYCGH	258
AFD*	107	BDP*	243	CGM	172	CYCMA	258
AFL*	152	BDP5*	243	CGS1*	166	CYF	256
AG*	71	BDPV5*	243	CGS2*	166	СҮН	257
AHIV*	246	BFC*	155	CGS3*	166	СҮНІ	257
AHIVW*	246	BGL	259	CGS4*	166	CYI	256
AHT*	220	BGL1	259	CGS5*	166	CYJ	257
AL1*	102	BGL2	260	CGS7*	166	CYK	257
AL2*	102	BGL4	261	CH50*	224	CYL	257
AMH*	84	BGS*	84	CHPV	313	CYS*	73
ANA*	218	BL*	103	CMMP*	151	CZ*	54-56
APAPCE	312	BMD*	142	CMP*	150	CZ2X*	54-56
APAPCPT	311	BMV1*	85	CMP1*	150	CZQ*	37
APAPJE	312	BMV2*	85	CMQ*	44	CZVM	67
APAPJPT	311	BMV3*	85	CMSP	262	CZX*	54-56
APAPKE	312	BMV4*	85	CNVST	275	D*	175
APAPKPT	311	BMV5*	85	COV2*	201	D1*	177
APAPLE	312	BNP5*	60	COV2Q*	47	D2*	177
APAPLPT	311	BNPQ*	37	COVAG*	202	D3*	177
APAPME	312	BOR*	183	COVAQ*	47	D5*	178
APAPMPT	311	BP*	196	COVM*	202	D6*	180

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D8*	181	FH16-FH17*	138	GSA*	62	HQMMR	295
D9*	180	FL*	226	H*	220	HQNEU	295
DADR1	253	FL1*	226	HBF*	240	HQNSC	296
DADR2	253	FL2*	226	HBVL*	205	HQPED	296
DAI*	99	FL3*	226	HBVL5*	205	HQTAR	297
DAT*	239	FL4*	226	HC3*	185	HQWSI	297
DBGN*	168	FL5*	227	HC4*	200	HSCRP*	63
DENS	216	FL6*	227	HC6*	189	HUEP*	88
DEX*	176	FL8*	229	HC6X*	189	HV2*	205
DFC*	109	FL9*	230	HC7*	189	HVDD	204
DML*	251	FLAC*	185	HCC*	65	I	135
DMPM*	108	FLD*	71	HCC1*	65	ICSP	263
DPATH	308	FLD2*	72	HCC2*	66	ID1*	200
DPATH1	308	FLDQ*	38	HCC3	66	ID1T*	200
DPIHC	299	FLUA	204	HCC4	66	ID2*	203
DSC*	155	FNA	315	HCG*	218	ID3*	203
E*	191	FNA1	315	HCRQ*	39	ID3Q*	47
E1*	191	FNAG	316	HCRT*	60	ID5*	204
ECF*	165	FNAG1	316	HCRTI*	60	IDM5*	209
EGFR	278	FNPX*	168	HCV2*	205	IDME*	209
EHE1*	148	F0L*	87	HE*	138	IDN*	207
ELU*	240	FP*	86	HER2	300	IDO*	207
EMB*	161	FP1B*	86	HERI*	305	IDPN*	211
EPO*	87	FP1T*	86	HERI1	305	IDR*	210
ESR*	142	FPX*	86	HFC*	156	IG*	218
ESR1*	142	FR	318	HFCI*	156	IGHV	282
ESR2*	142	FR1	318	HG*	144	IGX*	218
ESR3*	142	FSER*	194	HGM	263	IL*	218
ETB*	103	FSM*	194	HIVG*	205	IM*	218
ETME1	244	FT*	74	HMS*	63	IMD1	265
EV*	58	FTC*	105	HPATH	149	IMD2	265
F*	192	G*	224	HPATH1	149	IMD3	265
F1*	192	G6PDS*	74	HPBT*	74	IMW*	219
F3*	193	GH2*	61	HPS*	185	IND*	194
FCAL*	73	GH5*	62	HPV*	200	ISH	276
FCFS*	74	GH5I*	62	HQBX1	292	ISH2	276
FCN*	220	GHER2	300	HQBX2	292	J*	234
FF*	87	GHQ*	38	HQBX3	292	J1*	234
FGAL*	193	GIP*	212	HQBX4	292	JAT*	235
FH1-FH4*	138	GIP5*	212	HQCLB	294	JATE1*	235
FH3Q*	43	GIPN*	213	HQIHC	293	JATQ*	48
FH9-FH10*	138	GLI	280	HQIP	290	JATXM*	235
FH9Q*	43	GOCB*	155	HQIPBX	291	JE1*	234
FH13*	138	GPH	305	HQISH	293	JIP*	208
FH13Q*	43	GPH1	305	HQMEL	294	JXM*	234

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K*	82	LN41*	132	MTR5*	191	PAPJE	312
KET*	63	LN42*	132	MVM	79	PAPJPT	311
KI67	304	LN44*	132	MVP*	189	PAPKE	312
KIT	278	LN45*	131	MXC	250	PAPKPT	311
KK*	82	LN46*	133	MXEP	250	PAPLE	312
KRAS	278	LN47*	133	MXS	250	PAPLPT	311
KSA*	69	LN48*	133	MYCB	304	PAPME	312
KVM	88	LN49*	133	MYG*	69	PAPMPT	311
LBAS*	181	LN50*	134	N*	69	PARF*	248
LBC*	156	LN51*	131	NAT*	247	PCARM*	64
LCW*	63	LN52*	131	NAT1	247	PCARMX*	64
LKM*	223	LN53	127	NB*	64	PCHT	64
LN2*	122	LPE*	74	NB2*	64	PCNEO*	230
LN2BV*	122	LPX	187	NE0	277	PCP1*	194
LN3*	123	M*	73	NGC	314	PCP2*	194
LN5*	123	MBT	176	NGC1	314	PCP4*	194
LN5S*	123	MC3*	178	NGS	268	PCT*	75
LN6*	124	MC4*	178	NGSB1	269	PDL1	302
LN7*	124	ME	251	NGSB3	271	PEX*	196
LN8*	125	MGEN*	189	NGSB4	270	PF*	169
LN9*	125	MGL1	264-265	NGSB5	272	PF1*	169
LN11*	125	MGL2	264-265	NGSE	273	PGX	266
LN12*	126	MGL3	264-265	NGSET	274	PGX1	266
LN13*	126	MGL4	264-265	NGSHM	268	PGX3	266
LN13C*	126	MGL5	264-265	NGSST	268	PHG*	75
LN15*	126	МНО	281	NIPT	87	PIA*	171
LN16*	127	MH01	281	NMB1	303	PIAX*	171
LN17*	127	MHO2	281	NMBA	303	PIP	287
LN19*	127	MHO3	281	NOB*	106	PIP1	287
LN20*	128	MH05	276, 281	NP	310	PIPW	286
LN21*	128	MK	298	NP1	310	PIPW1	286
LN22*	128	MMA*	82	NTA*	103	PLA*	74
LN23*	128	MMR	302	OCB*	157	PLTM*	172
LN24*	129	MPA	59	OCBQ*	45	PM1	298
LN30*	129	MPOX	201	OFD*	101	PM2	300
LN31*	129	MRD	282	OGM	258	PM3	301
LN32*	130	MRD1	282	OLI*	73	PM5	298
LN33*	130	MRD2	282	P*	195	PM6	301
LN34*	130	MRS*	186	P3*	195	PNH*	231
LN35*	131	MRS2M*	186	P4*	195	POC1	50
LN36*	131	MRS5*	186	P5*	195	POC2	50
LN37*	131	MRS5M*	186	P16	304	POC3	50
LN38*	131	MSI	276	P53	299	POC4	50
LN39*	131	MTBR*	191	PAPCE	312	POC6	50
LN40*	132	MTP	279	PAPCPT	311	P0C7	50
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POC8	50	RT*	143	SV*	160	VES1*	170
POC9	50	RTQ*	44	SW2*	78	VF*	102
P0C10	51	RT2*	143	SW4*	78	VGS1*	180
P0C11	51	RT3*	143	T*	96	VGS2*	180
POC12	51	RT3Q*	44	TBLA*	76	VITD*	84
P0C14	51	RT4*	143	THCB*	107	VLS*	205
P0C15	51	RT4Q*	44	TM*	88	VLS2*	205
PS*	240	RUB*	218	TMB	275	VM1*	245
PTH*	85	RUBX*	218	TMCA	241	VM2*	245
PTHQ*	40	RUR*	187	TMCAD	241	VM3*	245
PV*	160	RVBN*	168	TMCAE	241	VM4*	245
PV1*		_		TMCAE		VM5*	
	160	RWBC*	145		241		246
QF*	223	S2*	219	TMO*	196	VM6*	246
QPA5	25	S4*	219	TMU*	104	VM6X*	246
QPA10	25	S5*	219	TMWB*	104	VPBS*	147
QPB10	26	SALC*	76	TMX*	88	VR1*	199
QPB25	26	SARC	277	TPM	267	VR2*	199
QPC10	27	SBAS*	181	TPS	306	VR3*	215
QPC25	27	SC*	160	TPS1	306	VR3M*	215
QPD10	28	SC1*	160	TRC*	239	VR4*	199
QPD25	28	SCDD*	106	TSHR	224	VRE*	190
QT2	30	SCM1*	157	TTD*	215	VS*	188
QT3	30	SCM2*	157	TVAG*	195	VS1*	188
QT4	31	SCO	135	TVG5*	195	VS2*	190
QT7	32	SCP*	242	U*	68	WBCR*	67
QT8	32	SCS*	145	UAA*	154	WBGQ*	37
QT10	33	SDS	102	UAA1*	154	WID*	197
QT16	34	SE*	223	UBJP*	75	WP3*	171
QT17	34	SEC	266	UDC*	100	WP4*	171
R*	77	SEC1	266	UDS*	98	WP6*	171
RAG*	237	SFLC*	225	UDS6*	98	WP9*	171
RAP*	87	SM*	160	UDSM	110	WP10*	171
RBCAT*	237	SM1CD*	160	UHCG*	158	WRHG	237
RDS*	223	SM2CD*	160	UMC*	158	γ*	83
RETT	267	SMCD*	160	UPBG*	70	YBC*	193
RF*	218	S0*	93	URC*	155	YVM	88
RFAV1	231	S0Q*	42	UT*	96	YY*	83
RFAV3	231	SP*	187	UTCO	135	Z*	54-56
RFX*	218	SP1*	187	UVM	70	ZAP70*	232
RHCVW*	247	SPE*	75	V*	225	ZE*	59
RMAL*	196	SPN*	187	VBDM*	206	ZT*	59
RMC*	178	ST*	188	VBF*	152	-[
RML5*	196	STFR*	79	VBP	288		
DALA	070	OTINA:	400	VDD4	000		

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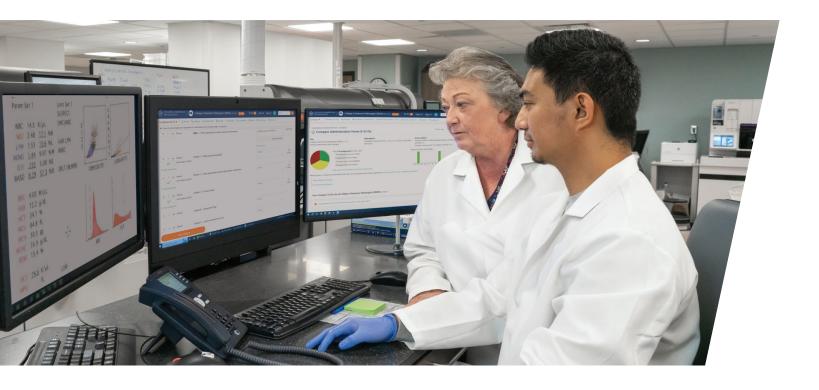
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