

**Overview**
**Useful For**

Diagnosis and treatment of the etiologic agents of fungemia

**Reflex Tests**

Test Id	Reporting Name	Available Separately	Always Performed
D2F	D2 Fungal Sequencing Identification	No, (Bill Only)	No
FUNA	Fungal Ident Panel A	No, (Bill Only)	No
FUNB	Fungal Ident Panel B	No, (Bill Only)	No
LCCI	Ident Rapid PCR Coccidioides	No, (Bill Only)	No
LCHB	Id, Histoplasma/Blastomyces PCR	No, (Bill Only)	No
RMALF	Id MALDI-TOF Mass Spec Fungi	No, (Bill Only)	No
RMALY	Id MALDI-TOF Mass Spec Yeast	No, (Bill Only)	No
LCCA	Id, Candida auris Rapid PCR	No, (Bill Only)	No

**Testing Algorithm**

When this test is ordered, reflex testing may be performed at an additional charge.

**Method Name**

Conventional Broth Culture/Macroscopic/Microscopic/D2 rDNA Gene Sequencing/Real-Time Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR)/Matrix-Assisted Laser Desorption/Ionization-Time of Flight Mass Spectrometry (MALDI-TOF MS)

Dimorphic Pathogen Identification Confirmation: D2 rDNA Gene Sequencing/PCR/MALDI-TOF MS

**NY State Available**

Yes

**Specimen**
**Specimen Type**

Whole blood

**Specimen Required**

**Container/Tube:**

**Preferred:** Green top (sodium or lithium heparin)

**Acceptable:** SPS

**Specimen Volume:** 4 mL

**Pediatric Volume:** 3 mL

**Collection Instructions:**

1. Send whole blood specimen in original tube. **Do not aliquot.**
2. SPS tubes are acceptable, but not preferred.

**Note:** SPS tubes must be clearly labeled as SPS. If label is obscured, sample may be cancelled, as ACD (also yellow top) is not an acceptable tube type.

**Forms**

If not ordering electronically, complete, print, and send a [Microbiology Test Request](#) (T244) with the specimen.

**Specimen Minimum Volume**

Adults: 3 mL

Pediatrics: 1 mL

**Reject Due To**

Blood culture bottles (eg, BACTEC MycoF Lytic) Isolator Clotted	Reject
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**Specimen Stability Information**

Specimen Type	Temperature	Time	Special Container
Whole blood	Ambient (preferred)	7 days	
	Refrigerated	7 days	

**Clinical & Interpretive**

**Clinical Information**

Due to the high mortality rate from fungemia, the expeditious detection and identification of fungi from the patient's blood can have great diagnostic prognostic importance. Risk factors for fungemia include, but are not limited to, extremes of age, immunosuppression, and those individuals with burns or indwelling intravascular devices.

**Reference Values**

Negative

If positive, notification is made as soon as the positive culture is detected or identified.

**Interpretation**

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Positive cultures of yeast and filamentous fungi are reported with the organism identification.

Positive cultures are usually an indication of infection and are reported as soon as detected. Correlation of culture results and the clinical situation is required for optimal patient management. A final negative report is issued after 42 days of incubation.

**Cautions**

No significant cautionary statements

**Clinical Reference**

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**Performance****Method Description**

Blood is inoculated into a MycoF Lytic culture bottle (Becton Dickinson) bottle and continuously monitored on a blood culture instrument.

Identification of fungi is based on colonial and microscopic morphology, matrix-assisted laser desorption ionization time-of-flight mass spectrometry, laboratory-developed real-time polymerase chain reaction assays and/or D2 rDNA gene sequencing, as applicable. (Babady NE, Buckwalter SP, Hall L, Le Febre KM, Binnicker MJ, Wengenack NL. Detection of *Blastomyces dermatitidis* and *Histoplasma capsulatum* from culture isolates and clinical specimens by use of real-time PCR. J Clin Microbiol. 2011;49[9]:3204-3208; Binnicker MJ, Buckwalter SP, Eisberner JJ, et al. Detection of *Coccidioides* species in clinical specimens by real-time PCR. J Clin Microbiol. 2007;45[1]:173-178; Dhiman N, Hall L, Wohlfiel SL, Buckwalter SP, Wengenack NL. Performance and cost analysis of matrix-assisted laser desorption ionization time of flight mass spectrometry for routine identification of yeast. J Clin Microbiol. 2011;49[4]:1614-1616; Hall L, Wohlfiel SL, Roberts GD. Experience with the MicroSeq D2 large-subunit ribosomal DNA sequencing kit for identification of filamentous fungi encountered in the clinical laboratory. J Clin Microbiol. 2004;42[2]:622-626; Theel ES, Schmidt BH, Hall L, et al. Formic acid-based direct, on-plate testing of yeast and *Corynebacterium* species by Bruker Biotyper matrix-assisted laser desorption ionization-time of flight mass spectrometry. J Clin Microbiol. 2012;50[9]:3093-3095; Theel ES, Hall L, Mandrekar J, Wengenack NL. Dermatophyte identification using matrix-assisted laser desorption ionization-time of flight mass spectrometry. J Clin Microbiol. 2011;49[12]:4067-4071)

**PDF Report**

No

**Day(s) Performed**

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Monday through Sunday

**Report Available**

42 to 45 days

**Specimen Retention Time**

7 days

**Performing Laboratory Location**

Rochester

**Fees & Codes****Fees**

- Authorized users can sign in to [Test Prices](#) for detailed fee information.
- Clients without access to Test Prices can contact [Customer Service](#) 24 hours a day, seven days a week.
- Prospective clients should contact their account representative. For assistance, contact [Customer Service](#).

**Test Classification**

This test has been cleared, approved, or is exempt by the US Food and Drug Administration and is used per manufacturer's instructions. Performance characteristics were verified by Mayo Clinic in a manner consistent with CLIA requirements.

**CPT Code Information**

87103-Blood

87106-Id MALDI-TOF Mass Spec Yeast (if appropriate)

87107-Id MALDI-TOF Mass Spec Fungi (if appropriate)

87107-Fungal identification panel A (if appropriate)

87107-Fungal identification panel B (if appropriate)

87150-Identification rapid PCR coccidioides (if appropriate)

87150 x 2- Identification Histoplasma/Blastomyces, PCR (if appropriate)

87153-D2 fungal sequencing identification (if appropriate)

87150- Id, Candida auris Rapid PCR (if appropriate)

**LOINC® Information**

Test ID	Test Order Name	Order LOINC® Value
FBL	Fungal Culture, Blood	601-5

Result ID	Test Result Name	Result LOINC® Value
FBL	Fungal Culture, Blood	In Process