

***Mycoplasma* IgM Inactivated in Epic**

Effective August 29, 2019

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M. pneumoniae is available as a single organism Nucleic Acid Amplified Test (NAAT). It is also available in combination with *Chlamydia pneumoniae* NAAT, within the Atypical Pneumonia Panel NAAT, and within the Respiratory Extended Pathogen Panel NAAT.

Please note that if a special need for IgM antibody testing arises, please contact WDL Client Services at 414.805.7600.

INACTIVATED TESTS

Epic Test Name	Cerner Mnemonic	Epic Order Number
<i>Mycoplasma</i> AB IgG and IgM	MYCO AB	86738.001
<i>Mycoplasma</i> IgM AB	MYCOIGM	86738.002

RECOMMENDED TESTS

Epic Test Name	Cerner Mnemonic	Epic Order Number
<i>Mycoplasma pneumoniae</i> NAAT	MYCOP NAAT	87581.007
<i>Mycoplasma/Chlamydia</i> NAAT	CHLMYCNAAT	9999Y.093
Atypical Pneumonia NAAT	PNEUMONAAT	9999y.092
Respiratory Extended Pathogen Panel NAAT	RESP EPP NAA	LAB55

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