

ADx TEST UPDATES – December 2009

An update of ADx testing services

QuantiFERON TB Gold In-tube

The QuantiFERON TB Gold (QTB) test will be replaced by the QuantiFERON TB Gold In-tube test (QFT) starting January 01, 2010. QFT requires special collection tubes that will be supplied by ADx laboratories. The advantage of the QFT is that it increases the post-draw stability of the sample from 12 hours to 16 hours. The only change is in the collection of the sample; the rest of the test remains the same. Results will continue to be reported as "POSTIVE", "INDETERMINATE" or "NEGATIVE".

Test code: QFT

C3 Nephritic Factor Assay

The ADx Complement laboratory has developed a new method for the C3 Nephritic Factor assay. The new assay will be a semi-quantitative Immuno-fixation electrophoresis (IFE). This will provide a numerical ratio with a reference range rather than only a negative/positive/equivocal result. The new reference range will be a ratio between the C3 and C3fragment peaks: 0 – 0.30 Ratio. Additionally, the TAT will be decreased from 4 weeks to 2 weeks. This change will be effective January 11, 2010.

Test code: C3NEF



ADx will be exhibiting at AAAAI. We would like to promote all NJH faculty who will be presenting at this meeting. Please send us your information so we can make it available at the booth! Name, session, topic. We have done this in the past for ATS. Attendees expressed their appreciation for making this information available. Please send to Wendy: neubergerw@njhealth.org

For more detail on any of these tests

- Visit NJlabs.org
- Call client services at ext 2603 (press 7)
- Contact Wendy Neuberger ext 1376 (ADx Marketing) for a test information sheet