

Test Catalog

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EBER

Alternative Name

Epstein-Barr Virus by ISH

Methodology

In Situ Hybridization (ISH)

Test Description

This probe set labels all latent EBV-infected cells, including EBV-positive lymphoblastoid cell lines and EBV infected B-cell immunoblasts in infectious mononucleosis. It also reacts with EBV-associated undifferentiated nasopharyngeal carcinomas and with Reed-Sternberg cells in almost all EBV-associated Hodgkin lymphoma cases. Global interpretation is available on head and neck specimens only; tech-only testing is available for all samples.

Clinical Significance

The Epstein-Barr virus (EBV) probe demonstrates latent EBV infection by hybridizing to abundantly expressed EBER transcripts which are concentrated in the nuclei of latently infected cells.

Specimen Requirements

- A formalin-fixed, paraffin-embedded (FFPE) tissue block is preferred specimen type or
- One (1) unbaked, unstained slide for H&E staining (required) and three (3) positively charged unstained slides, all cut
 at 4-5 microns
- Block and slide identifiers should be clearly written and match exactly with the specimen ID and specimen labeling as noted on the requisition.

Storage & Transportation

Use cold pack for transport. Make sure cold pack is not in direct contact with specimen.

CPT Code(s)*

88365 x 1 or 88364 x 1

New York Approved

Yes

Level of Service

Stain Only, Global

Turnaround Time

Global (head and neck only): 3 days, Tech-Only (stain only): 48 hours

Please direct any questions regarding coding to the payor being billed.

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