

Overview

Useful For

Only orderable as a reflex. For more information see:
DMC2 / Dementia, Autoimmune/Paraneoplastic Evaluation, Spinal Fluid
ENC2 / Encephalopathy, Autoimmune/Paraneoplastic Evaluation, Spinal Fluid
EPC2 / Epilepsy, Autoimmune/Paraneoplastic Evaluation, Spinal Fluid

Evaluation of patients suspected to have autoimmune encephalitis using spinal fluid specimens

Reporting adenylate kinase 5 IgG results as part of a profile

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Cell Binding Assay (CBA)

NY State Available

Yes

Specimen

Specimen Type

CSF

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Specimen Minimum Volume

1.5 mL

Reject Due To

Gross	Reject
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hemolysis	
Gross lipemia	Reject
Gross icterus	Reject

Specimen Stability Information

Specimen Type	Temperature	Time	Special Container
CSF	Refrigerated (preferred)	28 days	
	Ambient	72 hours	
	Frozen	28 days	

Clinical & Interpretive

Clinical Information

Adenylate kinase 5 IgG (AK5-IgG) is a marker intended for evaluating patients with autoimmune encephalitis, most often presenting as a non-paraneoplastic limbic encephalitis. Poor response to immunotherapy has been reported while there is no clear cancer association (non-paraneoplastic). AK5-IgG positive patients present with predominant severe amnestic syndrome, associated depression, and anxiety. Epilepsy is often absent at disease onset, however seizures may develop later.

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Negative

Interpretation

A positive result is consistent with adenylate kinase 5 autoimmunity that manifests with non-paraneoplastic limbic encephalitis.

Cautions

A negative result does not exclude the diagnosis of autoimmune encephalitis.

Clinical Reference

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Performance

Method Description

Patient specimen is applied to a composite slide containing transfected and non-transfected human embryonic kidney (HEK293) cells. After incubation and washing, fluorescein-conjugated goat-antihuman IgG is applied to detect the presence of patient IgG binding.(Unpublished Mayo method)

PDF Report

No

Day(s) Performed

Varies

Report Available

5 to 10 days

Specimen Retention Time

2 days

Performing Laboratory Location

Mayo Clinic Laboratories - Rochester Main Campus

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 was developed and its performance characteristics determined by Mayo Clinic in a manner consistent with CLIA requirements. It has not been cleared or approved by the US Food and Drug Administration.

CPT Code Information

86255

LOINC® Information

Test ID	Test Order Name	Order LOINC® Value
AK5CC	AK5 Ab CBA, CSF	In Process

Result ID	Test Result Name	Result LOINC® Value
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Test Definition: AK5CC

Adenylate Kinase 5 (AK5) IgG, Cell Based Assay,
Spinal Fluid (Non-Orderable)

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