

**Reporting Title:** Babesia species PCR, B  
**Performing Location:** Rochester

**Ordering Guidance:**

This is a qualitative assay, and the results are reported either as negative or positive for targeted Babesia species DNA.

**Specimen Requirements:**

Container/Tube: Lavender top (EDTA)

Specimen Volume: 1 mL

Collection Instructions: Send whole blood specimen in original tube. Do not aliquot.

**Specimen Minimum Volume:**

0.5 mL

**Forms:**

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

Specimen Type	Temperature	Time	Special Container
Whole Blood EDTA	Refrigerated	7 days	

**Result Codes:**

Result ID	Reporting Name	Type	Unit	LOINC®
618317	Babesia microti	Alphanumeric		88452-8
618318	Babesia duncani	Alphanumeric		88451-0
618319	Babesia divergens/MO-1	Alphanumeric		88450-2

LOINC and CPT codes are provided by the performing laboratory.

**Supplemental Report:**

No

**CPT Code Information:**

87798 x2

87469

87999 (if appropriate for government payers)

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**Reference Values:**

Negative

Reference values apply to all ages.