

IMUGEN

Reference Diagnostic Division

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Instructions for Submitting a Tick for Testing

IMUGEN provides testing services for the detection of *B. burgdorferi* (Lyme Disease spirochete) and *B. microti* (Babesia parasite) by polymerase chain reaction (PCR). This testing is performed on *Ixodes scapularis* ticks only.

Any non-deer ticks (i.e. *Dermacentor variabilis* or *Amblyoma americanum*) that are received will be retained for 14 days. Please contact us prior to the expiration of the 14th day if you want your tick returned. Any remaining ticks will be discarded.

Requirements for Tick Testing

Ticks **WILL NOT** be tested if placed in formalin or on tape.

Place tick in a ziplock bag, then into a padded envelope or crushproof container.

Fill out a requisition with your name and address so a result can be mailed to you.

Please note that the charge for tick testing is as follows:

- \$75.00 for *B. burgdorferi* (Lyme Disease spirochete)
- \$75.00 for *B. microti* (Babesia parasite)
- \$98.00 for both *B. burgdorferi* and *B. microti*

Checks or signed credit card information must accompany ticks or testing will not be performed. Ticks should be sent to:

IMUGEN, Inc.
Attn: Tick Testing
315 Norwood Park South
Norwood, MA 02062

Results are available in approximately 15 business days following receipt of tick.

If you have any questions please contact **IMUGEN** at **800-246-8436**.



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Requisition for Tick Testing

B. burgdorferi (Lyme Disease spirochete) and B. microti (Babesia parasite)

Submitter Information (REQUIRED)

Please include a check payable to IMUGEN or credit card info (PAYMENT REQUIRED)

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

_____ Credit Card Number

_____ Name on Card

_____ Exp. Date

_____ Signature

Test Requested (REQUIRED): B. burgdorferi

B. microti

B. burgdorferi and B. microti

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For Laboratory Use Only

Specimen #: _____

Species:	<i>Ixodes scapularis</i>	<i>Dermacentor variabilis</i>	<i>Amblyoma americanum</i>
Stage:	Larvae	Nymph	Adult
Sex:	Male	Female	

TEST RESULTS

Not suitable for testing

B. burgdorferi (Lyme Disease spirochete) by polymerase chain reaction*

Detected

Not detected

B. microti (Babesia parasite) by polymerase chain reaction*

Detected

Not detected

Report Date: _____

Reviewed: _____

WARNING!

Tick testing does not diagnose Lyme Disease in humans.

The results indicate only whether or not B. burgdorferi and/or B. microti was detected in the tick. If you think you have any symptoms of Lyme Disease or Babesiosis consult your physician immediately.

* The polymerase chain reaction (PCR) component of this test is performed pursuant to a license agreement with Roche Molecular Systems, Inc.