

FINAL REPORT

Sample, Report

Date Of Birth: 03/03/1980 (35 yrs) Gender: Female Patient Id: 0303 Patient Location:

Reason for Testing: Evaluation of suspicious lesion Related info: Not Provided Patient History: Not Provided

Ordering Provider

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Sample Information

Specimen#: 99997712 Accession#: 201509-10805 Specimen: Oral Rinse Body Site: Oropharyngeal

Lesion Size: 2mm x 1mm Lesion Color: Red Lesion Location(s): Tonsil Collected: 09/16/2015 05:20 Received: 09/18/2015 15:24 Reported: 09/20/2015 09:15

MOLECULAR DETECTION OF C. TRACHOMATIS / N. GONORRHOEAE IN THE OROPHARYNX Signs and Symptoms of **Test Results** Oropharyngeal Infection Symptoms Chlamydia trachomatis **Positive** Painful swallowing Coating or discharge in throat Neisseria gonorrhoeae Negative Fever, swelling in neck Consequence Transmission to one's sexual partner Spread of infection to locally in neck, joints or respiratory tract Chlamydia trachomatis

Interpretation:

This sample is positive for Chlamydia trachomatis DNA and negative for Neisseria gonorrhoeae DNA. See comments.

Comments:

- Significance: These molecular genetic findings support the diagnosis of an oropharyngeal infection by Chlamydia trachomatis. The current negative result for Neisseria gonorrhoeae does not exclude the possibility of an infection with that organism not detected due to the presence of inhibitory substances or levels of the organism not detected due to assay sensitivity. The clinical significance of oropharyngeal asymptomatic C. trachomatis infection is unclear and routine oropharyngeal screening for CT is not yet recommended. Current evidence suggests, however, that oropharyngeal C. trachomatis can lead to serious consequences locally as well, it can be transmitted to genital sites sexually and by direct contact. Based on this, it is advised that such infections be treated with azithromycin or doxycycline. The effectiveness of other antimicrobial regimens for C. trachomatis is unknown. In cases of suspected treatment failure, oropharyngeal swabs and testing based on culture to assess antimicrobial drug susceptibility may be indicated for more effective management.

- **Consider:** Infections with C. trachomatis and N. gonorrhoeae are common in extragenital sites in certain populations. Nucleic acid amplification testing (NAAT) also known as DNA testing has not been cleared by the FDA for detection of oropharyngeal infections caused by C. trachomatis and N. gonorrhoeae; however, the CDC is recommending NAAT's to test for these extragenital infections based on increased sensitivity, ease of specimen transport and processing. No recommendations exist regarding routine extragenital screening in women because studies have focused on genitourinary screening, but oropharyngeal infections are not uncommon. This test is not recommended for the evaluation of suspected sexual abuse, for other medico-legal indications, or for evaluation of children under the age of consent. In these circumstances culture is the test of choice. Specific recommendations for the frequency and response to these DNA based assays can be reviewed at http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/pdf/rr/rr6403.pdf

Methodology: The Cobas(R) CT/NG Ver 2.0 test involves two major processes: 1) automated nucleic acid extraction for cellular and microbial DNA and 2) simultaneous amplification of CT (cryptic plasmid and chromosomal ompA gene DNA region) and NG(highly conserved direct repeat region DR-9) based on real-time detection PCR, followed by detection of the resulting fluorescent-labeled probes. An Internal Control, based on an exogenous CT and NG DNA species, is added to all samples prior to sample preparation, is co-amplified and detected with any natural occurring analytes, to monitor the performance of each of the assay processes. The Cobas(R) 4800 software renders the results of each sample tested, before transfer of that data to the Access Genetics reporting system TeleGene(TM). Test limitations: Only cervical specimens collected in PreservCyt Solution, either prior to cytology processing or after processing with the ThinPrep T2000 Processor, are FDA approved for testing. All other acceptable sample types were validated by OraIDNA Labs, A Service of Access Genetics, LLC pursuant to Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments (CLIA 88) requirements. The FDA has determined that such clearance or approval is not a requirement prior to off-label use for clinical purposes.

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