Rapid Blood Pathogen Identification Panel

WHAT?

Verigene nucleic acid test = new lab technology to identify blood pathogens faster than traditional blood culture. It identifies bacteria and resistance patterns directly from positive blood culture bottles.

Gram-positive bacteria	Gram-negative bacteria	Resistance Genes
Staphylococcus genus	Escherichia coli	mecA = methicillin (nafcillin) resistance
Staphylococcus aureus	Klebsiella pneumoniae	vanA = vancomycin resistance
Staphylococcus epidermidis	Klebsiella oxytoca	vanB = vancomycin resistance
Staphylococcus lugdunensis	Pseudomonas aeruginosa	CTX-M= ESBL
Streptococcus genus	Serratia marcescens	IMP = carbapenemase
Streptococcus anginosus Group	Acinetobacter genus	KPC = carbapenemase
Streptococcus agalactiae	Citrobacter genus	NDM = carbapenemase
Streptococcus pneumoniae	Enterobacter genus	OXA = carbapenemase
Streptococcus pyogenes	<i>Proteus</i> genus	VIM = carbapenemase
Enterococcus faecalis		
Enterococcus faecium		
Listeria genus		

HOW?



Verigene results available

in Cerner

- improved time to active therapy
- improved time to most appropriate therapy
- shorter hospital stay
- improved clinical outcomes

IMPORTANT NOTES

- See full Therapeutic Guide for more information (available as link on Cerner)
- Certain infections are frequently polymicrobial in nature and the isolation of a single pathogen
 from the blood culture should not result in over-narrowing. Ex. complicated intra-abdominal
 infection often involves anaerobes and therapy active against these should generally be
 included until definitive cultures of the site of infection have returned.
- Final susceptibilities will be available in 24-72 hours and should always be reviewed to determine if therapy adjustments need to be made.