

## Interferon Gamma Release Assay New Test Platform

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Effective Date: September 18th, 2024

Our Interferon Gamma Release Assay (IGRA) for the detection of latent or active Tuberculosis is moving to a new instrument platform to allow for faster turn-around-time to results and to manage increased test volume. Detection of interferon gamma continues to be by immunoassay, and test results and interpretations are the same. The approach to placing Test Orders in eRecord is also unchanged (use current Test Code TBAG), and preference lists and favorites lists will be automatically updated. UR Medicine Test Menu, most community EMRs and requisitions are being updated to reflect this change. Implementation of the new test platform is scheduled to Go-Live on September 18.

At the time of specimen collection, eRecord users will note that a specimen label specific for each of the 4 color top tubes will print; the label indicating GREEN should be placed on the tube with a green top, the label indicating YEL should be placed on the tube with a yellow top, the label indicating GRAY should be placed on the tube with a gray top, and the label indicating PURP should be placed on the tube with a purple top.

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