

# MONKEYPOX (Orthopoxvirus) TEST UPDATE

August 2, 2022 (Replaces previous notice sent 7/21/2022):

Pacific Diagnostic Laboratories (PDL) is providing this notice to highlight updates to the Monkeypox test available through our referral laboratory partner, LabCorp. This information supersedes the Client Notice sent on July 21, 2022.

**NEW CODE  
&  
UPDATE TO  
COLLECTION**

**LAB101023 MONKEYPOX (ORTHOPOXVIRUS), PCR** *new code effective August 3, 2022*

UPDATED COLLECTION	PREVIOUS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>One sterile dry polyester, rayon or Dacron swab</li> <li>Swab can be placed in Universal Transport Media (UTM) or Viral Transport Media (VTM)</li> </ul>	Two swabs Sterile container

## TEST INFORMATION

MONKEYPOX (ORTHOPOXVIRUS), PCR LAB101023 (LabCorp code 140230)	
<b>Collection</b>	<p><b>Specimen Source:</b> LESION</p> <p><b>Collection Kit:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>One swab either a sterile dry polyester, rayon or Dacron swab</li> <li>UTM or VTM (M5/M4) transport media</li> <li>NOT acceptable: eSwab, 0.9% saline, liquid Amies, aerobic or anaerobic transport devices</li> </ul> <p><b>Collection Steps:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Vigorously swab or brush the base of the lesion with a sterile dry polyester, rayon or Dacron swab</li> <li>Insert swab into the UTM/VTM tube</li> <li>Carefully break off the end of the swab and tightly close the tube</li> </ul> <p><i>Note: If multiple lesions with differing appearances are present, consider submitting additional swabs, as described above, for each lesion. Previous requirements indicated submission in sterile container. This is no longer preferred. Please transition to submitting swabs in UTM or VTM.</i></p> <p><b>Transport Temperature:</b> Refrigerate</p>
<b>Use</b>	<p><i>Vesicular specimens collected from persons infected with a non-variola Orthopoxvirus (such as vaccinia, monkeypox, or cowpox) are expected to produce a positive result with this assay. Assay does not differentiate vaccinia or monkeypox virus from cowpox, camelpox, ectomelia or gerbilpox virus. A positive result with this assay in the United States is most likely due to monkeypox virus or vaccinia virus; however, potential exposure to other Orthopoxviruses should be considered.</i></p>

Test Name	Order/Interface Code	Test Code	Order LOINC	Reference Lab Price	
<b>MONKEYPOX (ORTHOPOXVIRUS), PCR</b>	LAB101023	1230119168	100434-0	\$77 Note: Reference lab may bill insurance	
Result name		Result Code	Result LOINC	CPT	CDM
Orthopoxvirus DNA		140231	100434-0	87593	30101364

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