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BOVINE AND SMALL RUMINANTS

To reach us

Biovet has 2 laboratories in Quebec

Saint-Hyacinthe and Quebec City

We have the largest customized pickup network providing the transport of samples in Quebec, even in rural areas.

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Opening Hours

	Saint-Hyacinthe	Quebec City
Lundi au vendredi :	8:00 AM to 9:00 PM	12:30 PM to 21:00 PM
Samedi :	8:30 AM to 2:00 PM	CLOSED
Dimanche :	CLOSED	CLOSED

About Biovet

Biovet offers a full range of veterinary diagnostic services including hematology, biochemistry, microbiology, serology, molecular biology, endocrinology, coagulation and cytology. The analyses are performed on site by qualified technical personnel under the supervision of microbiologists and clinical pathologists certified by the American College of Veterinary Pathologists.

Our primary goal is to provide reliable analysis results in the shortest possible time. To this end, Biovet has set up an efficient and personalized sample collection system that makes it possible to reach a large number of veterinary clinics in Quebec. Your samples are analyzed upon receipt, and the results are transmitted to you by the method of your choice through the implementation of a computerized analysis management system. The Biovet laboratory also runs several internal and external quality controls, which ensure the accuracy of the results.

Biovet is proud to provide you with online access to your results. With Bionet, you can have fast, free and real-time access to your result reports, anytime, anywhere with an internet connection. For more information on the Bionet service, you can contact us at bionet@biovet-inc.com or call us at 1-888-824-6838. You can also visit us online at: www.biovet.ca/bionet.

Animal health is important to us, which is why Biovet specialists (clinical pathologists and microbiologists) are available to answer your questions. Whether it's determining the best test to diagnose a given condition or interpreting the results, our team is here to assist you.

This User's Guide contains information that is useful when dealing with Biovet. We are proud to be associated with your practice and we work continually on improving our services so that we may always better meet your needs.

The Team at Biovet

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Smarter Diagnostics. Better Care.™

Biovet is becoming ANTECH™

We're pleased to share that Biovet will become ANTECH™ in 2025, meaning you'll soon have access to a wider portfolio that includes North America's largest reference laboratory network, best-in-class in-house diagnostics from Heska, the industry's most trusted imaging equipment from Sound™, and breakthrough telemedicine from AIS™.

Helping you navigate all of these new and exciting options will be the same Quebec team you've come to know and trust. They will continue providing you with unparalleled support via the same contact points you've always used.


Legend

Samples

See the sampling materials section below for the abbreviations of the various tubes and others


 Variety of samples that will be detailed in the test description.

Turnaround Time (TAT)

 Result on the day of receipt

D Day

Abbreviations

 Analyzes done externally; it is best to contact us prior to submitting the sample to ensure availability of the test. Transport fee are excluded.

Ag Antigen

Ab Antibody

ELISA Enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay

MFIA Multiplexed Fluorometric Immunoassay

 **New**








PCR Polymerase Chain Reaction





qPCR Quantitative Polymerase Chain Reaction





SN Seroneutralization

TAT TURNAROUND TIME

U.R. Price upon request

CODE	PKG	DESCRIPTION – TYPE OF SAMPLE
		IMPORTANT: see Appendix A - Guidelines for storing and shipping samples to the laboratory.
TRD-328	10	 <p>Shipping bags for samples</p> <p>Description: Ziploc™ Shipping bags for samples, with pocket for request form</p> <p>Usage: IMPORTANT, USE ONLY ONE BAG OF SAMPLES PER REQUEST FORM</p> <p>You need shipping bags? Ask our delivery man.</p>
TRD-332	1	 <p>EZTest - Steam</p> <p>Description: EZTest is a self-contained biological indicator for monitoring sterilization.</p> <p>Usage: Return the EZTest – cycle for Autoclave Quality Assurance Program, see Microbiology section. Do NOT refrigerate.</p> <p>Comment: use the Biovet request form supplied with the kit.</p> <p>You will find the price in the microbiology section</p>
TRD-319	1	<p>Shipping Unit</p> <p>Description: 40-tube box for sampling</p>
TRD-338	20	<p>Polyfoam box</p> <p>Description: Polyfoam box for 2 or 4 sampling tubes</p>
TRD-760	1	 <p>One-bottle, blood culture system</p> <p>Description: bottle for blood cultures.</p> <p>You will find the price in the microbiology section</p>
TRD-344	1	 <p>Sterile container, 60 ml, twist cap</p> <p>Description: sterile plastic container</p> <p>Usage: urinalysis or culture, parasitology, PCR feces analysis.</p> <p>Comment: store samples between 4°C and 8°C.</p>
TRD-325	1	 <p>Swab with AMIES transport medium</p> <p>Description: Swab and tube with Amies transport medium with or without charcoal.</p> <p>Usage: erobic or anaerobic culture</p> <p>Comment: Keep the swab between 2 and 8°C. Punch biopsy biopsies can be submitted on a swab in contact with the transport environment for a culture. Punch biopsies can be send on a swab in contact with the transport medium for culture, or in a red-top tube with a few drops of physiological water.</p>
TRD-354	1	 <p>Sterile polyester swab (PCR)</p> <p>Description: sterile polyester swab used ONLY for PCR analysis.</p> <p>Usage: PCR analyses (respiratory diseases)</p> <p>Procedure: once the sample has been taken, place the swab(s) in a sterile preservative-free tube (TRD-310).</p> <p>Comment: not suitable for aerobic or anaerobic culture EXCEPT if you add a few drops of physiological water to the tube.</p> <p>Store samples between 4°C and 8°C.</p>
TRD-314	10	 <p>Slide holder</p> <p>Description: cytology slide holder.</p> <p>Comment: Please do NOT write anything on the blade holders, put your information on the label.</p>

CODE	PKG	DESCRIPTION – TYPE OF SAMPLE
TRD-324	1	Container pre-filled with formalin (40 mL)
TRD-323	1	Container pre-filled with formalin (60 mL)
TRD-321	1	Container pre-filled with formalin (90 mL)
TRD-322	1	Container pre-filled with formalin (120 mL)
TRD-360		 <p>Container pre-filled with formalin (480 mL)</p> <p>Description: The amount of formaldehyde in the specimen container is about half the volume of the container.</p> <p>Procedure: The volume of formaldehyde should be 10 times that of the tissue. See Appendix - Protocol for the Handling and Sending of Large Masses.</p> <p>Comment: contains 10% neutral buffered formalin.</p>
TRD-427	25	 <p>Amber tube (5 mL)</p> <p>Description : sampling tube with cap</p> <p>– Serum</p> <p>Usage: Vitamin E. See protocol in biochemistry section.</p> <p>Comment : Beware, vitamin E is photosensitive and should not be exposed to light.</p>
TRD-352	100	Lavander tube (1.3 mL)
TRD-302	100	Lavander tube (3 mL)
TRD-303	100	 <p>Lavander tube (10 mL)</p> <p>Description : collection tube with lavender cap containing EDTA.</p> <p>– (L) Whole Blood EDTA</p> <p>Procedure: Whole blood collected in a tube containing an anticoagulant (EDTA-K2 or EDTA-K3), stirred at least 10-20 times immediately after collection. EDTA is bactericidal (so no blood culture or microbiological test can be added). Be careful to use the correct tube format, as there must be blood at least up to the label. If the anticoagulant/anticoagulant ratio is too high, the lab will note: Volume suboptimal; anticoagulant/blood ratio too high.</p> <p>– (PL) Plasma EDTA</p> <p>Procedure: Supernatant of whole blood collected in an EDTA tube, stirred at least 10-20 times immediately after collection. The plasma is separated from the blood and placed in a plastic tube. Label tube “Plasma EDTA” in addition to animal ID.</p> <p>– Other usages: For cytology of body fluids including thoracic, abdominal, synovial fluids, cystic or cavity fluids (except for urine cytology which must be submitted in a red cap tube or sterile Container).</p> <p>Comment: store samples between 4°C and 8°C.</p>
TRD-300	100	Red top tube (3 mL)
TRD-310	100	 <p>Red top tube (8 mL)</p> <p>Description: anticoagulant-free or additive-free sampling tube.</p> <p>– (S) Serum :</p> <p>Procedure: centrifuge it and send us the supernatant or wait and once the blood has coagulated, remove the supernatant from the clot.</p> <p>Comment: store samples between 4°C and 8°C.</p>










CODE	PKG	DESCRIPTION - TYPE OF SAMPLE
TRD-308	100	SST Tube (3.5 mL) 
TRD-759	100	SST Tube (8.5 mL)  <p>Description: SST sampling tube (Tube with Serum Separator) containing a gel separating red blood cells from the serum after centrifugation.</p> <p>- (SS) Serum</p> <p>Usage: SST serum NOT recommended for drug dosing (KBr, Pheno, etc.)</p> <p>Procedure: You can send us the tube as is or centrifuge it.</p> <p>Note: Store samples between 4 and 8°C.</p>
TRD-351	100	Green tube (1.3 mL)  <p>Description: sampling tube with green cap containing heparin.</p> <p>- (PG) Heparinized plasma</p> <p>Procedure: Whole blood collected in a heparinized tube, stirred at least 10-20 times immediately after collection. Centrifuge and place plasma in glass or plastic tube, labelled "Heparinized Plasma".</p>
TRM-545	5	Nasopharyngeal swab kit  <p>Description: 30 inches double sheath swab and Tubes with Amies liquid transport medium</p> <p>Usage: suitable for bacteriological examinations and PCR</p> <p>You will find the price in the microbiology and PCR sections</p>

Tests offered – Bovine

CHEMISTRY PROFILES			
CODE	TEST NAME - DESCRIPTION	SAMPLE	TAT
	Abortion Profile qPCR and ELISA , see PCR and Serology sections		
BV1172	Chemistry Profile Includes: Alb, ALP, AST, Tot. Bil., Ca, Cl, CK, Creat, Gap, GGT, Glob., Glu, Mg, P, K, Tot. Prot., A/G ratio, Na, TCO2, BUN	1.0 mL Serum (S)	
	Complete blood count (CBC) , see HEMATOLOGY section		
BV1176	Complete Biovet Profile Same as Chemistry Profile above and CBC in Hematology section	1.0 mL EDTA whole blood (L) + 1,0 mL Serum (S)	
BV1175	Complete Profile with pathologist's comment Same as Chemistry Profile above with pathologist's comment	1.0 mL EDTA whole blood (L) + 1,0 mL Serum (S)	
	Digestive Profiles ELISA and qPCR , see PCR and Serology sections		
BV1224	Health Profile 1 includes: Leukosis, Neospora, S. Dublin Ab ELISA	1.0 mL Serum (S)	
BV1225	Health Profile 2 Same as Health Profile 1 above with Staph. aureus qPCR	1.0 mL Serum (S)	
BV1179	Hepatic Profile with GLDH QC Includes: Alb, ALP, AST, Tot. Bil., GGT, Glob, Glu, Tot. Prot., BUN, GLDH. * Except for GLDH, which is done externally.	1.5 mL Serum (S)	*
BV1180	Peripartum Profile (Paresis) includes: AST, Ca, Creat, CK, K, Mg, P, Tot. Prot., BUN.	1.0 mL Serum (S)	
BV1178	Renal Profile includes: Alb, Ca, Creat, Glu, Na, P, Tot. Prot., BUN.	1.0 mL Serum (S)	
	Respiratory Profiles (culture) and qPCR , see Microbiology and CR sections		
CHEMISTRY			
CODE	TEST NAME - DESCRIPTION	SAMPLE	TAT
CT010	Albumin	0.3 mL Serum (S)	
CT020	ALP	0.3 mL Serum (S)	
CT030	ALT	0.3 mL Serum (S)	
CT060	AST	0.3 mL Serum (S)	
CT070	Bilirubin, direct	0,1 mL Serum (S)	
CT070	Bilirubin, indirect	0,1 mL Serum (S)	
CT090	Bilirubin, total	0,1 mL Serum (S)	
CT100	BUN (urea)	0.3 mL Serum (S)	
CT110	Calcium (total) Avoid lipemia.	0.3 mL Serum (S)	

CHEMISTRY

CODE	TEST NAME - DESCRIPTION	SAMPLE	TAT
CS18537	Calcium, ionized Fasting is necessary. Avoid hemolysis and lipemia. • Do not open cap Sample requirement for accurate measurement of ionized calcium (iCa ²⁺) is serum that has been anaerobically transferred from the spun SST or RTT (using a needle and syringe to avoid air exposure) into a plain unopened red-top vacutainer. Puncture the stopper with the syringe needle and allow the serum to be transferred under pressure. • Do NOT open this tube prior to testing. • Please boldly label the sample tube as "IONIZED CALCIUM SERUM" and keep frozen or refrigerate. Samples that have been exposed to air may have artifactually decreased (iCa ²⁺) and those transported in SST tubes may have been artifactually increased (iCa ²⁺). † The tube submitted for this test will be used ONLY for this analysis, if you require other tests, please provide another tube.	0.5 mL Serum (S) †	3 D
CT120	Chloride	0.3 mL Serum (S)	
CT130	Creatine Kinase (CK)	0.3 mL Serum (S)	
CT135	Creatinine	0.3 mL Serum (S)	
BV7072	Copper QC This test is done externally.	2.0 mL Serum (S)	2-3 D
CT145	GGT	0.3 mL Serum (S)	
BV7035	GLDH QC This test is done externally.	0,5 mL Serum (S)	
CT011	Globulins (Alb & PT) Refrigerate or freeze.	0,5 mL Serum (S)	
CT150	Glucose	0.3 mL Serum (S)	
CT155	Iron (serum)	0,5 mL Serum (S)	4 D
CT170	Magnesium	1.0 mL Serum (S)	
CT180	Phosphorus	0.3 mL Serum (S)	
CT185	Potassium Avoid hemolysis.	0.3 mL Serum (S)	
BV7074	Selenium (serum) QC This test is done externally.	1.0 mL Serum (S)	12-20 D
BV7076	Selenium + Vitamin E Please note that vitamin E is photosensitive and should not be exposed to light. It is imperative to centrifuge the sample as quickly as possible, then transfer it to an amber tube and freeze it or place it on ice in order to send it to us as quickly as possible. This test is done externally.	1.0 mL Serum, amber tube	12-20 D
CT195	Sodium	0.3 mL Serum (S)	
CT190	Total Proteins Avoid hemolysis and lipemia.	0.3 mL Serum (S)	
CT205	Triglycerides Fast 12-18 h.	0.3 mL Serum (S)	
BV7078	Vitamin A QC This test is done externally.	2.0 mL Serum (S)	12-20 D

CHEMISTRY			
CODE	TEST NAME - DESCRIPTION	SAMPLE	TAT
CS16016	Vitamin D  * This test is done externally. * Shipping fee are included.	2.0 mL Serum (S)	15-20 j
CS16850	Vitamin E  QC Please note that vitamin E is photosensitive and should not be exposed to light. It is imperative to centrifuge the sample as quickly as possible, then transfer it to an amber tube and freeze it or place it on ice in order to send it to us as quickly as possible. Also available as a combo Selenium & vitamin E This test is done externally.	1.0 mL Serum, amber tube	12-20 D
BV7079	Zinc  QC This test is done externally.	0.5 mL Serum (S)	7 D
ENDOCRINOLOGY			
CODE	TEST NAME - DESCRIPTION	SAMPLE	TAT
BV0071	Pregnancy test (milk)	1,0 mL Milk	2-4 D
BV0065	Pregnancy test (serum) From 28 days after insemination.	1.0 mL Serum (S) or EDTA Plasma (PL)	1-3 D
CT475	Progesterone Centrifuge and separate quickly. Do not use SST tube.	1,0 mL Serum (S)	
HEMATOLOGY			
CODE	TEST NAME - DESCRIPTION	SAMPLE	TAT
CT330	CBC (Complete Blood count) If possible, submit 2 blood smears, not stained, immediately after collection with EDTA blood. The EDTA tube should be kept cold. Avoid lipemia, sample <48 hours. Includes leukocytes, platelets and erythrocyte counts (Gr, Hb, Ht, CGMH, VGM), differential, microscopic examination, fibrinogen, reticulocyte count (if anemia).	1.0 mL EDTA whole blood (L)	
CT365	Fibrinogene	1.0 mL EDTA whole blood (L)	
BV0078	Hemoglobin Keep cool. Avoid lipemia.	1.0 mL EDTA whole blood (L)	
HISTOPATHOLOGY			
Code	TEST NAME - DESCRIPTION	SAMPLE	TAT
BV7096	Histopathology (1 tissue)  Place the sample in 10% formalin. The formalin volume should be at least 10 times that of the tissue. Use containers with a wide mouth. Hollow organs (e.g., intestines) should be open lengthwise before being placed in formalin to ensure good fixation of the mucosa. For all excisional biopsies, margins will be assessed.		3-5 D
BV7099	Additional tissue (histopathology)		




MICROBIOLOGY

CODE	TEST NAME - DESCRIPTION	SAMPLE	TAT
BV0082	Aerobic Colony Count (mesophiles) Refrigerate, sterile container. This test cannot be added after a milk bacteriology test.	2 mL Milk	2 D
CM070	Aerobic Culture Refrigerate. Sterile container or a AMIES swab with a solid transport medium. Refer to Appendix B, if you are hesitating between aerobic or anaerobic culture. Also available:	500 µl urine, liquid, tissue, swab, other	2-5 D
BV1154	CATB Aerobic culture + Sensitivity sterile container or a AMIES swab with a solid transport medium. Refer to Appendix B, if you are hesitating between aerobic or anaerobic culture.	500 µl urine, liquid, tissue, swab, other	2-5 D
BV0240	Follow up - CATB (Culture and sensitivity) Follow -up culture on same source may be ordered within 2 months of original submission of an Aerobic Culture. Indicate order number and date of the original submission on the requisition form.		
CM030	Anaerobic Culture sterile container as small as possible for the sample so that there is as little air as possible in the container, or a AMIES swab with a solid transport medium. DO NOT refrigerate; It is preferable that the sample be sent to the lab the same day. Anaerobic organisms are sensitive to cold, should be stored at room temperature and not in the fridge. Refer to Appendix B, if you are hesitating between aerobic or anaerobic culture.	500 µl urine, liquid, tissue, swab, other	2-5 D
CEXT	Antimicrobial susceptibility * (after an Aerobic Culture) see Appendix E : List of antibiotics (sensitivity) *Kirby-Bauer method		2 D
BV1243	Antimicrobial susceptibility * (After a Milk bacteriology) see Appendix E : List of antibiotics (sensitivity) *Kirby-Bauer method		2 D
	Autoclave Quality Assurance Program ■ Must use EZTest - Steam. Easy-to-use, EZTest is a self-contained biological indicator for monitoring sterilization. EZTest - Steam contains Geobacillus stearothermophilus which will only be destroyed by adequate sterilization. These biological indicators comply with ISO 11138 and EN 866 standards and USP requirements. EZTest Steam (1 unit)	■	3 D
CM061	Blood Culture + Antimicrobial susceptibility ■ Must use One-bottle, Blood culture system, follow the incubation protocol and DO NOT REFRIGERATE. This test detects the growth of aerobic, anaerobic and micro-aerophilic organisms from blood samples using the blood culture system. One-bottle, Blood culture system	■	7 D
CM225	Campylobacter jejuni/coli/lari (culture) Also available in profile, see Fecal culture	1 g Feces or 10 mL Milk	5-10 D
BV1143	Clostridium perfringens (culture) Also available in profile, see Fecal culture		
BV0010	Clostridium perfringens (Toxin profile) Culture must have been done previously.		
BV1143	Fecal culture + ATB Includes aerobic Culture, Campylobacter jejuni/coli/lari, Clostridium perfringens, Salmonella spp. and Shigella. When isolating salmonella or shigella, an Antibiotic Sensitivity will be automatically performed.	10 g Feces	3-10 D

MICROBIOLOGY

CODE	TEST NAME - DESCRIPTION	SAMPLE	TAT
BV1199	<p>Litter / wipe profile</p> <p>* Wipe placed in a bag, representative sample of the litter, refer to Appendix C. Includes Aerobic Colony Count, Total Coliforms (Enumeration), E. coli (Enumeration), <i>Staphylococcus</i> spp. <i>Streptococcus</i> spp. and <i>Klebsiella</i> spp.</p>	Wipe or 10 g of sand, wood shavings, compost or other*	3-7 D
<p>See Appendix D: why choose our service rather than do the milk analyses yourself.</p>			
BV0039	<p>Milk bacteriology</p> <p>Refrigerate, sterile container.</p>	5 mL Milk	1-3 D
BV0066	<p>Milk bacteriology - Heifer</p> <p>Refrigerate, sterile container (no pool). For more information on this test, see Appendix G: Detection Of Mammary Staphylococcal Infections In Primiparous.</p>	5 mL Milk	2-5 D
BV1200	<p>Milk Bulk tank Profile</p> <p>Bulk tank milk in a sterile container. Refrigerate. Submit to lab within 24 hours. Includes numeration of total coliforms and E. coli, as well as mesophilic aerobic colony counts, mesophilic aerobic colony counts after 18hours of incubation at 12.8°C and mesophilic aerobic colony counts after heating the milk at 62.8°C for 30min.</p>	10 mL Milk	3-7 D
BV1152	<p>Respiratory profil (Culture) + Sensitivity</p> <p>▣ transtracheal aspirations or nasopharyngeal swabs with Nasopharyngeal swab kit. Refrigerates. Specific search on different culture media: Bibersteinia trehalosi, Gallibacterium anatis, Histophilus somni, Mannheimia spp, Pasteurella multocida, Trueperella pyogenes and Salmonella spp.. Includes sensitivity testing.</p>	▣	7 D
TRM-545	Nasopharyngeal swab kit		
CM240	<p>Ringworm (Fungal culture)</p> <p>A culture is performed on a selective medium for Dermatophytes, if a typical growth is observed, a confirmation by our PCR test is performed and included in the price.</p>	Skin scraping, Hair	7-28 D
CM121	<p>Salmonella (culture)</p> <p>Refrigerate, sterile container. Also available as a profile, see Fecal culture. See also Salmonella Serotyping (PCR section).</p>	Tissue; 10 g feces; other	4 D
<p>See Appendix H: about the search for salmonella in cattle.</p>			
<p>Wipe (culture), see Litter / wipe profile</p>			





PARASITOLOGY

CODE	TEST NAME - DESCRIPTION	SAMPLE	TAT
CT785	<p>Baermann</p> <p>Keep cool.</p>	30 g Feces	5-7 D
CT550	Cryptosporidium - ag ELISA	5 g Feces	4-12 D
BV7091	<p>Cutaneous Scraping (KOH)  QC</p> <p>▣ Crusts, hair; no quantity to specify. This test is done externally.</p>	▣	3-4 D
BV7083	<p>Parasite identification  QC</p> <p>Fresh parasite or preserved in 70% ethanol. This test is done externally.</p>	30 g Feces	1-2 D
CT805	<p>Parasitology - 6 months old and less (Zinc sulphate)</p> <p>Refrigerate. The zinc sulfate test is performed on animals UNDER 6 months of age, as it is more sensitive than the Wisconsin test for detecting protozoan infections (coccidiosis, Giardia, Crypto) found in young animals. The test can also detect gastrointestinal whipworm infections, although the Wisconsin test is perhaps more recommended for this purpose.</p>	5 g Feces	

PARASITOLOGY			
CODE	TEST NAME - DESCRIPTION	SAMPLE	TAT
BV0006	<p>★ Parasitology - MORE than 6 month old (Wisconsin) Refrigerate. If the bovine is more than 6 month old, the Wisconsin test is recommended.</p> <p>Wisconsin or Zinc Sulphate see Parsitology</p>	5 g Feces	1-3 D
BV1203	<p>Abortion Profile qPCR ▣ fetal tissues (lung, kidney, heart, stomach contents) and placenta (placentome). Includes: BVD, IBR, Campylobacter spp., Chlamydothila spp., Coxiella burnetii, Leptospira spp., Ureaplasma diversum, Neospora caninum & Tritrichomonas foetus. Also available:</p>	▣	2-3 D
BV1204	<p>Simplified Abortion Profile PCR Includes: BVD, IBR, Leptospira spp. and Neospora caninum</p>		
BV0085	<p>Anaplasma marginale qPCR Refrigerate</p>	3.0 mL EDTA whole blood (L)	1-2 D
CS16115	<p>Bovine leukemia virus (BLV) PCR Refrigerate. Possibility of pooling up to 10 samples.</p>	2.0 mL EDTA whole blood (L)	1-2 D
BV0046	<p>BVD qPCR* ▣ Tissues (biopsy, ear notch, etc.), 3 mm. Refrigerate. Possibility of pooling up to 10 samples for serum and whole blood. * Includes testing station.</p>	▣ 10 mL EDTA whole blood (L) , EDTA plasma (PL) , Serum (S) or milk, 5 gr Feces	1-2 D
BV1188	<p>Clostridium multiplex qPCR : C. chauvoei, C. septicum, C. novyi and C. sordelii ▣ pieces of affected tissues (minimum 5 cm x 5 cm x 5 cm, wrapped in absorbent paper towels and placed in a tightly closed container), swab cultures of affected tissues (swabs without transport medium or with 0.5 mL sterile saline to preserve moisture). Refrigerate.</p>	▣	1-2 D
BV0010	<p>Clostridium perfringens (Toxin profile) For this test the Clostridium perfringens culture must have been done previously.</p>	Isolate	
BV1214	<p>Coagulase-negative staphylococci (CNS) qPCR Refrigerate.</p>	2.0 mL Milk	2-3 D
BV0052	<p>Coronavirus qPCR Refrigerate</p>	5 g Feces	1-2 D
BV1205	<p>Diarrhea Profile qPCR (calf) ▣ 5 g Feces collected at the beginning of clinical signs. Refrigerate (4-8°C). 4 agents: bovine Coronavirus (BoCV), Rotavirus A, Cryptosporidium spp. and E. coli K99 /F5</p>	▣	2-3 D
PCR			
CODE	TEST NAME - DESCRIPTION	SAMPLE	TAT
BV1206	<p>Digestive Profile qPCR ▣ 5 g Feces collected at the beginning of clinical signs. Refrigerate (4-8°C). 8 agents: BVDV, bovine Coronavirus (BoCV), Rotavirus A, Torovirus, Cryptosporidium spp., Giardia intestinalis, Salmonella spp. and E. coli K99 /F5</p>	▣	2-3 D
BV0048	<p>Free-martin (DNA – genetic)</p>	1.0 mL EDTA whole blood (L)	2-3 D
CS14456	<p>Herpesvirus type 1 BoHV1 (IBR) qPCR</p>	5.0 mL Serum (S) , Swabs, lung	2-3 D

CT974	Leptospira spp. qPCR (EDTA whole blood)	1.0 mL EDTA whole blood (L)	2-3 D
CT976	Leptospira spp. qPCR (urine)	10 mL Urine	2-3 D
BV0072	M. paratuberculosis qPCR ▣ intestines cont. (tightly close container).	▣ Milk, 5 g Feces	2-3 D
BV0075	Mycoplasma bovis qPCR	2.0 mL Milk, swab, lung	2-3 D
BV0036	Mycoplasma spp qPCR	2.0 mL Milk, swab, lung	2-3 D
BV1196	M. bovis + Mycoplasma spp	2.0 mL Milk, swab, lung	2-3 D
BV1211	Respiratory Profile - complete qPCR ▣ transtracheal aspirations or nasopharyngeal swabs with Nasopharyngeal swab kit. Refrigerate. Includes: Bacterial and viral Respiratory Profile. See Appendix E: New approach to the diagnosis of respiratory infections in cattle.	▣	1-2 D
TRM-545	Nasopharyngeal swab kit To learn more see: Appendix E: New approach to the diagnosis of respiratory infections in cattle.		
BV1210	Respiratory Profile - bacterial qPCR ▣ transtracheal aspirations or nasopharyngeal swabs with Nasopharyngeal swab kit. Refrigerate. Includes: Histophilus somni, M. bovis, Mannheimia haemolytica, Pasteurella multocida & Trueperella pyogenes. See Appendix E: New approach to the diagnosis of respiratory infections in cattle. Also available Respiratory profil (Culture) + Sensitivity see Microbiology section	▣	1-2 D
BV1213	Respiratory Profile - viral qPCR ▣ transtracheal aspirations or nasopharyngeal swabs with Nasopharyngeal swab kit. Refrigerate. Includes: BoCV (Coronavirus), BoHV1 (IBR), BRSV, BVDV, PI3 and Influenza Virus D (IVD). See Appendix E: New approach to the diagnosis of respiratory infections in cattle.	▣	1-2 D
BV1212	Respiratory Profile - viral PLUS qPCR ▣ transtracheal aspirations or nasopharyngeal swabs with Nasopharyngeal swab kit. Refrigerate. Includ : Viral Respiratory Profile (BoHV1, BCoV, BRSV, PI3, BVDV, Influenza D) + Mycoplasma bovis. See Appendix E: New approach to the diagnosis of respiratory infections in cattle.	▣	1-2 D
BV0093	Salmonella spp. qPCR	10 g Feces, tissue, other	2-3 D
BV0081	Salmonella (culture) after positive PCR Required for antibiotic susceptibility testing or serotyping		2-3 D
BV0092	Salmonella serotyping (100 serotypes) For this test the Salmonella culture must have been done previously.	Isolate	5-10 D
	See Appendix H: about the search for salmonella in cattle		
BV0096	Salmonella spp-Typhimurium-Dublin qPCR	10 g Feces, tissue, swab	2-3 D
BV0102	Staphylococcus aureus qPCR Refrigerate.	2,0 mL Milk	2-3 D
BV0091	S. aureus, S. agalactiae, S. uberis & S. dysgalactiae		
BV0104	S. agalactiae, S. uberis S. dysgalactiae & M. bovis		
BV0111	Ureaplasma diversum qPCR	vaginal swab, placenta.	2-3 D

SEROLOGY / VIROLOGY

CODE	TEST NAME - DESCRIPTION	SAMPLE	TAT
BV1226	Abortion Profile  QC BVDV p80 ab ELISA (CER), IBR Indirect ab ELISA, Neospora ab ELISA Leptospira (6 serovars) ab MAT *Except for Leptospira which is done externally and turnaround Time is about 1 week.	1.0 mL serum (S)	2-5 D *
BV0115	Bovine Leukosis (BLV) - Ab ELISA	Milk	1-2 D ⁺
BV0068	Bovine Leukosis (BLV) - Ab ELISA	1.0 mL Serum (S)	1-2 D ⁺
BV0069	Price for herd (25 to 49)	1.0 mL Serum (S)	1-2 D ⁺
BV0070	Price for herd (50 and +)	1.0 mL Serum (S)	1-2 D ⁺
BV0043	Brucellosis - Ab APAT CFIA form mandatory	1.0 mL serum (S)	1-2 D ⁺
BV0044	BVD Ag ELISA, immunotolerant For test on serum the animal must be 3 months old or older.	1.0 mL Serum (S)	2-5 D ⁺
BV0112	Price for herd (25 to 49)		
BV0113	Price for herd (50 and +)		
BV0238	BVD immunotolerant Ag ELISA (Idexx) - Grande biopsie d'oreille If less than 3 months.	Large ear notch	2-5 j ⁺
BV0045	BVD p80 - Ab ELISA	0.5 mL serum (S)	2-5 D ⁺
BV7060	BVD type 1 - Ac SN  QC	1.5 mL serum (S)	5-10 D
BV7061	BVD type 2 - Ac SN  QC Those tests are done externally.		
BV0051	Coronavirus - Ag ELISA	5 g Feces	2-5 D ⁺
BV1208	Digestive Profile (ELISA) Includes: Cryptosporidium, E. coli K99, Rotavirus and Coronavirus Ag ELISA	5 g Feces	2-5 D *
BV0114	E. coli K99 Ag ELISA	5 g Feces	2-5 D ⁺
BV0063	IBR - Ab cELISA (competitive)	1.0 mL serum (S)	2-5 D ⁺
BV0064	IBR - Ab ELISA indirect	1.0 mL serum (S)	2-5 D ⁺
BV7069	IBR - Ab SN  QC	1.5 mL serum (S)	5-10 D
BV7087	Leptospira (6 serovars) - Ab MAT  This test is done externally.	1.0 mL serum (S)	1 W
BV0059	Leptospira hardjo Ac IgG ELISA	1.0 mL serum (S)	2-5 D ⁺
BV0073-L	M. paratuberculosis - Ab ELISA (milk)	1.0 mL serum (S)	2-5 D ⁺
BV0073-S	M. paratuberculosis - AB ELISA (serum)	1.0 mL serum (S)	2-5 D ⁺
BV0077	Mycoplasma bovis - Ab ELISA	1.0 mL serum (S)	2-5 D ⁺
BV0088	Neospora caninum - Ab ELISA	1.0 mL Serum (S)	1-2 D ⁺
BV0089	Price for herd (25 to 49)		
BV0090	Price for herd (50 and +)		
BV0116	Rotavirus - Ag ELISA	5 g Feces	2-5 D ⁺
BV0055-L	Salmonella Dublin Ac ELISA (individual milk)	1,0 mL de lait individuel	1-2 j ⁺
BV0055-R	Salmonella Dublin Ac ELISA (bulk milk)	1,0 mL bulk milk	1-2 j ⁺
BV0055-S	Salmonella Dublin Ab ELISA (serum)	1.0 mL Serum (S)	1-2 D ⁺

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CODE	TEST NAME - DESCRIPTION	SAMPLE	TAT
BV0056	S. Dublin Ab ELISA Pool de 5	1.0 mL Serum (S)*	1-2 D ⁺
BV0057	S. Dublin Ab ELISA Price for herd (25 to 49)	1.0 mL Serum (S)*	1-2 D ⁺
BV0058	S. Dublin Ab ELISA Price for herd (50 and +)	1.0 mL Serum (S)*	1-2 D ⁺


* Available on serum only

†These tests are performed from Monday to Friday.

UROLOGY

CODE	TEST NAME - DESCRIPTION	SAMPLE	TAT
CT760	Urinalysis Keep cool.	5.0 mL urine	24 h
BV1013	Urinalysis with pathologist's comment	5.0 mL urine	24 h

OTHER SERVICES AND FEES


CODE	TEST NAME - DESCRIPTION	SAMPLE	TAT
BVFR03	Cancellation fees		
BVFR08	Emergency fees (RUSH)		
BVFR06	Intermediate fees		
CREVW	Pathologist's comments		
BVFR01	Pooling fees (max. 5 samples)		
	 Shipping fees NOT included (unless otherwise specified)		
TRA-0042	QC: Shipping fees in Quebec		
TRA-0006	CA: Shipping fees in Canada		
TRA-0003	US: Shipping fees in United States		
	Cooler upon request		

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Ovine and caprine



Tests offered – Ovine and caprine

CHEMISTRY PROFILES (OVINE AND CAPRINE)			
CODE	TEST NAME - DESCRIPTION	SAMPLE	TAT
	CBC (Complete Blood count), see HEMATOLOGY section		
BV1172	Chemistry Profile Includes: Alb, AST, Tot. Bil., Ca, Cl, Crea, CK, Gap, Glob, Gluc, K, Mg, Na, P, Tot. Prot., A/G ratio, TCO ₂ , BUN.	1.0 mL serum (S)	⌚
BV1176	Complete Biovet Profile Chemistry: same as Chemistry Profile above. Hematology: same as CBC below.	1,0 mL EDTA whole blood (L) + 1,0 mL Serum (S)	⌚
BV1175	Complete profile with pathologist's comment Digestive ELISA and qPCR Profiles , see PCR and Serology sections		
BV1223	Renal Profile includ: Alb, Ca, Créat, Glu, Na, P, Tot. Prot., BUN	1.0 mL serum (S)	⌚
CHEMISTRY (OVINE AND CAPRINE)			
CODE	TEST NAME - DESCRIPTION	SAMPLE	TAT
CT010	Albumin	0.3 mL serum (S)	⌚
CT020	ALP	0.3 mL serum (S)	⌚
CT030	ALT	0.3 mL serum (S)	⌚
CT060	AST	0.3 mL serum (S)	⌚
CT100	BUN (urea)	0.3 mL serum (S)	⌚
CT110	Calcium (total) Avoid lipemia.	0.3 mL serum (S)	⌚
CS18537	Calcium, ionized Fasting is necessary. Avoid hemolysis and lipemia. • Do not open cap Sample requirement for accurate measurement of ionized calcium (iCa ²⁺) is serum that has been anaerobically transferred from the spun SST or RTT (using a needle and syringe to avoid air exposure) into a plain unopened red-top vacutainer. Puncture the stopper with the syringe needle and allow the serum to be transferred under pressure. • Do NOT open this tube prior to testing. • Please boldly label the sample tube as "IONIZED CALCIUM SERUM" and keep frozen or refrigerate. Samples that have been exposed to air may have artifactually decreased (iCa ²⁺) and those transported in SST tubes may have been artifactually increased (iCa ²⁺). †The tube submitted for this test will be used ONLY for this analysis, if you require other tests, please provide another tube.	0.5 mL serum (S) †	3 D
CT120	Chloride	0.3 mL serum (S)	⌚
CT125	Cholesterol	0.3 mL serum (S)	⌚
CT130	Creatine Kinase (CK)	0.3 mL serum (S)	⌚
CT135	Creatinine	0.3 mL serum (S)	⌚
BV7072	Copper  QC This test is done externally.	2.0 mL serum (S)	2-3 D
CT145	GGT	0.3 mL serum (S)	⌚

CHEMISTRY (OVINE AND CAPRINE)

CODE	TEST NAME - DESCRIPTION	SAMPLE	TAT
CT011	Globulines (Alb & PT) Refrigerate or freeze.	0.5 mL serum (S)	🕒
CT150	Glucose	0.3 mL serum (S)	🕒
CT155	Iron (serum)	0.5 mL serum (S)	4 D
CT170	Magnesium Avoid hemolysis.	1.0 mL serum (S)	🕒
CT180	Phosphorus Avoid hemolysis.	0.3 mL serum (S)	🕒
CT185	Potassium Avoid hemolysis.	0.3 mL serum (S)	🕒
BV7074	Selenium (serum) 📄 QC Avoid hemolysis. This test is done externally.	1.0 mL Serum (S)	12-20 D
BV7076	Selenium + Vitamin E Please note that vitamin E is photosensitive and should not be exposed to light. It is imperative to centrifuge the sample as quickly as possible, then transfer it to an amber tube and freeze it or place it on ice in order to send it to us as quickly as possible.	1,0 mL Serum, amber tube	12-20 D
CT195	Sodium	0.3 mL serum (S)	🕒
CT115	TCO2 (Bicarbonates) Avoid contact with air. Tightly closed tube.	0.3 mL serum (S)	🕒
CT190	Total Proteins Avoid hemolysis and lipemia.	0.3 mL serum (S)	🕒
CT205	Triglycerides Fast 12-18 h.	0.3 mL serum (S)	🕒
BV7078	Vitamin A 📄 QC This test is done externally.	2.0 mL serum (S)	12-20 D
CS16016	Vitamin D 📄 * This test is done externally. *Shipping fee are included.	2.0 mL serum (S)	12-20 D
CS16850	Vitamin E 📄 QC Please note that vitamin E is photosensitive and should not be exposed to light. It is imperative to centrifuge the sample as quickly as possible, then transfer it to an amber tube and freeze it or place it on ice in order to send it to us as quickly as possible. Also available as a combo Selenium & vitamin E This test is done externally.	1.0 mL serum, amber tube	12-20 D
BV7079	Zinc 📄 QC This test is done externally.	0.5 mL serum (S)	1 W

HEMATOLOGY (OVINE AND CAPRINE)

CODE	TEST NAME - DESCRIPTION	SAMPLE	TAT
CT332	CBC (Complete Blood count) If possible, submit 2 blood smears, not stained, prepared immediately after collection with EDTA blood. The EDTA tube should be kept cold. Sample <48 hours. Include leukocytes, platelets and erythrocyte counts (Gr, Hb, Ht, CGMH, VGM), differential, microscopic examination, fibrinogen, reticulocyte count (if anemia).	1.0 mL Whole blood EDTA (L)	🕒
CT365	Fibrinogene	1.0 mL Whole blood EDTA (L)	🕒

HEMATOLOGY (OVINE AND CAPRINE)

CODE	TEST NAME - DESCRIPTION	SAMPLE	TAT
BV0078	Hemoglobin Keep cool. Avoid lipemia.	1.0 mL Whole blood EDTA (L)	🕒

HISTOPATHOLOGY (OVINE AND CAPRINE)

CODE	TEST NAME - DESCRIPTION	SAMPLE	TAT
BV7096	Histopathology (1 tissue) 📄 Place the sample in 10% formalin. The formalin volume should be at least 10 times that of the tissue. Use containers with a wide mouth. Hollow organs (e.g., intestines) should be open lengthwise before being placed in formalin to ensure good fixation of the mucosa. For all excisional biopsies, margins will be assessed.	📄	3-5 D
BV7099	Additional tissue (histopathology)		




MICROBIOLOGY (OVINE AND CAPRINE)

CODE	TEST NAME - DESCRIPTION	SAMPLE	TAT
BV0082	Aerobic Colony Count (mesophiles) Refrigerate, sterile container. This test cannot be added after a milk bacteriology test.	2 mL Milk	2 D
CM070	Aerobic Culture Refrigerate. Sterile container or a AMIES swab with a solid transport medium. Refer to Appendix B, if you are hesitating between aerobic or anaerobic culture. Also available:	500 µl urine, liquid, tissue, swab, other	2-5 D
BV1143	CATB Aerobic culture + Sensitivity sterile container or a AMIES swab with a solid transport medium. Refer to Appendix B, if you are hesitating between aerobic or anaerobic culture.	500 µl urine, liquid, tissue, swab, other	2-5 D
BV0240	Follow up - CATB (Culture and sensitivity) Follow -up culture on same source may be ordered within 2 months of original submission of an Aerobic Culture. Indicate order number and date of the original submission on the requisition form.		
CM030	Anaerobic Culture sterile container as small as possible for the sample so that there is as little air as possible in the container, or a AMIES swab with a solid transport medium. DO NOT refrigerate; It is preferable that the sample be sent to the lab the same day. Anaerobic organisms are sensitive to cold, should be stored at room temperature and not in the fridge. Refer to Appendix B, if you are hesitating between aerobic or anaerobic culture.	500 µl urine, liquid, tissue, swab, other	2-5 D
BV1242	Aerobic + anaerobic Culture + Sensitivity 📄 2 samples are required 1 for aerobic culture and the other for anaerobic culture (see instruction for anaérobique culture).	📄	
CEXT	Antimicrobial susceptibility * (after an Aerobic Culture) see Appendix E : List of antibiotics (sensitivity) * Kirby-Bauer method		2 D
BV1243	Antimicrobial susceptibility * (After a Milk bacteriology) see Appendix E : List of antibiotics (sensitivity) * Kirby-Bauer method		2 D
BV0239	Autoclave Quality Assurance Program 📄 Must use EZTest - Steam. Easy-to-use, EZTest is a self-contained biological indicator for monitoring sterilization. EZTest - Steam contains Geobacillus stearothermophilus which will only be destroyed by adequate sterilization. These biological indicators comply with ISO 11138 and EN 866 standards and USP requirements.	📄	3 D



MICROBIOLOGY (OVINE AND CAPRINE)

CODE	TEST NAME - DESCRIPTION	SAMPLE	TAT
	EZTest Steam (1 unit)		
CM225	Campylobacter jejuni/coli/lari (culture) Also available in profile, see Fecal culture	1 g Feces 325 mL Bulk Milk 10 mL Milk	5-10 D
BV1143	Clostridium perfringens (culture) Also available in profile, see Fecal culture		5-10 D
BV0134	Corynebacterium pseudotuberculosis Search	Swab	2-5 D
BV1143	Fecal culture + ATB Includes aerobic Culture, <i>Campylobacter jejuni/coli/lari</i> , <i>Clostridium perfringens</i> , <i>Salmonella</i> spp. and <i>Shigella</i> .	10 g Feces	3-10 D
BV0039	Milk bacteriology Refrigerate, sterile container.	5 mL Milk	1-3 D
	See Appendix D: why choose our service rather than do the milk analyses yourself.		
BV1200	Milk Bulk tank Profile Bulk tank milk in a sterile container. Refrigerate. Submit to lab within 24 hours. Includes numeration of total coliforms and E. coli, as well as mesophilic aerobic colony counts, mesophilic aerobic colony counts after 18hours of incubation at 12.8°C and mesophilic aerobic colony counts after heating the milk at 62.8°C for 30min.	50 mL Milk	3-7 D
CM121	Salmonella (culture) Refrigerate, sterile container. Also available as a profile, see Fecal culture . See also Salmonella Serotyping (PCR section).	10 g feces, tissue, other	4 D
BV0050	Total Coliforms (Enumeration) Refrigerate, sterile container.	2 mL Milk	2 D

PARASITOLOGY (OVINE AND CAPRINE)

CODE	TEST NAME - DESCRIPTION	SAMPLE	TAT
CT785	Baermann Keep cool.	30 g Feces	5-7 D
CT550	Cryptosporidium - Ag ELISA	5 g Feces	4-12 D
BV7091	Cutaneous Scraping (KOH)  QC This test is done externally.	Crusts, hair	3-4 D
BV7083	Parasite identification  QC Fresh parasite or preserved in 70% ethanol. This test is done externally.	Parasite	1-2 D
BV7026	Parasitology (Wisconsin)  QC This test is done externally.	5 g Feces	3-4 D
	Wisconsin , see Parsitology		



PCR (OVINE AND CAPRINE)

CODE	TEST NAME - DESCRIPTION	SAMPLE	TAT
BV0087	Chlamydophila spp qPCR  fetal tissues (lung, kidney, heart, stomach contents) and placenta (placentome).		2-3 D
BV0010	Clostridium perfringens (Profil des toxines) For this test the Clostridium perfringens culture must have been done previously.	Isolate	







PCR (OVINE AND CAPRINE)

CODE	TEST NAME - DESCRIPTION	SAMPLE	TAT
BV0053	Coxiella burnetii qPCR ■ fetal tissues (lung, kidney, heart, stomach contents) and placenta (placentome).	■	1-3 D
BV1144	Dermatophytes (Ringworm) qPCR ■ Samples of hair and/or hair dander (min 10) or culture media with hair. Take the hair and dander from border of lesions in an empty sterile container. In the absence of visible lesions, brush the coat with a toothbrush. The main zoophilic species detected are: Microsporum canis, Trichophyton spp (benhamiae, bulbosum, equinum, erinacei, mentagrophytes, quinckeanum, simii, verrucosum) and Nannizzia gypsea (essentially geophilic species, formerly known as Microsporum gypseum). These three species or species complexes are now highlighted using a new real-time PCR (qPCR) multiplex.	■	1-2 D
BV1206	Digestive Profile qPCR ■ feces collected at the beginning of clinical signs. Refrigerate (4-8°C). 8 agents: BVDV, bovine Coronavirus (BoCV), Rotavirus A, Torovirus, Cryptosporidium spp., Giardia intestinalis, Salmonella spp. and E. coli K99 /F5	■	2-3 D
BV0237	Intestinal parasites qPCR (Small ruminant) Allows to identify and quantify the eggs of the main trichostrongyles of small ruminants, namely Teledorsagia spp, Trichostrongylus spp, Haemonchus contortus, Cooperia spp et Nematodirus spp.	5g Feces	1-3 D
CT974	Leptospira spp. qPCR (EDTA whole blood)	2.0 mL EDTA whole blood (L)	2-3 D
CT976	Leptospira spp. qPCR (urine)	10 mL Urine or Tissue.	2-3 D
BV0072	M. paratuberculosis qPCR ■ 5 g Feces, intestines cont. (tightly close container); milk.	■	2-3 D
BV0036	Mycoplasma spp qPCR	lung	2-3 D
BV1196	M. bovis & Mycoplasma spp qPCR		
BV1211	Respiratory Profile qPCR ■ transtracheal aspirations or nasopharyngeal swabs. Refrigerate. Includes: BoCV (Coronavirus), BoHV1 (IBR), BRSV, BVDV Histophilus somni, M. bovis, Mannheimia haemolytica, Pasteurella multocida, PI3, Trueperella pyogenes and Influenza Virus D (IVD).	■	1-2 D
	Ringworm see Dermatophytes		
BV0093	Salmonella spp. qPCR	10 g Feces, tissue, other	2-3 D
BV0102	Staphylococcus aureus qPCR	2.0 mL Milk	2-3 D
BV0030	Toxoplasma gondii qPCR	1 g Feces	2-3 D

SEROLOGY (OVINE AND CAPRINE)

CODE	TEST NAME - DESCRIPTION	SAMPLE	TAT
BV7057	Brucella ovis Ab ELISA  QC This test is done externally.	0.5 mL Serum (S)	8-14 D
BV0043	Brucellosis - Ab APAT CFIA form mandatory	1.0 mL Serum (S)	1-2 D*
BV7094	Caprine Arthritis Encephalitis Ab ELISA  QC This test is done externally.	0.2 mL Serum (S)	5 D

SEROLOGY (OVINE AND CAPRINE)


CODE	TEST NAME - DESCRIPTION	SAMPLE	TAT
BV7066	CLA Caseous Lymphadenitis - Ab ELISA  US (C. pseudotuberculosis) This test is done externally.	1.5 mL Serum (S)	4 D
BV7084	Chlamydophila abortus - ab ELISA  QC This test is done externally.	0.5 mL Serum (S)	8-14 D
BV1208	Digestive Profile (ELISA) Includes: Cryptosporidium, E. coli K99, Rotavirus and Coronavirus Ag ELISA	5 g Feces	2-5 D [†]
BV7087	Leptospira (6 serovars) - Ab MAT  QC This test is done externally.	1.0 mL Serum (S)	1 W
BV0073	M. paratuberculosis - Ab ELISA	1.0 mL Serum (S)	2-5 D [†]
BV7071	Maedi Visna (Ovine Progressive Pneumonia) - Ab ELISA  QC This test is done externally.	0.2 mL Serum (S)	7-15 D
BV7195	Q Fever (Coxiella burnetii) ac ELISA  QC	2.0 mL Serum (S)	3-5 D [†]
BV7095	Toxoplasma IgG Elisa Ab  US This test is done externally.	1.0 mL Serum (S)	7-15 D

[†] These tests are performed from Monday to Friday.

UROLOGY (OVINE AND CAPRINE)

CODE	TEST NAME - DESCRIPTION	SAMPLE	TAT
CT760	Urinalysis Keep cool.	5.0 mL Fresh urine	1 D
BV1013	Urinalysis with pathologist's comment	5.0 mL Fresh urine	1 D

OTHER SERVICES AND FEES (OVINE AND CAPRINE)

CODE	TEST NAME - DESCRIPTION	SAMPLE	TAT
BVFR03	Cancellation fees		
BVFR08	Emergency fees (RUSH)		
BVFR06	Intermediate fees		
CREVW	Pathologist's comments		
BVFR01	Pooling fees (max. 5 samples)  Shipping fees NOT included (unless otherwise specified)		
TRA-0042	QC: Shipping fees in Quebec		
TRA-0006	CA: Shipping fees in Canada		
TRA-0003	QC: Shipping fees in United States Cooler upon request		

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Appendix A – Guidelines for storing and shipping samples to the laboratory

The way samples are stored between collection and arrival at the laboratory is very important both to facilitate their processing and to ensure the validity of the analyzes.

Below you will find guidelines for some of the most common samples that are submitted to the laboratory for bacteriological or PCR testing.

Do not hesitate to contact us for more information.

Milk for bacteriological or PCR testing

- Samples should be placed in sterile tightly closed containers, with screw caps and sealed.
- **By no means should “containers” such as plastic bags, examination gloves, Vacutainer tubes or others be used.**
- Samples should be refrigerated as quickly as possible (it is important not to freeze them!) and should be stored between 2 and 8°C.
- They must arrive at the laboratory as soon as possible (ideally within 48 hours after collection).

Feces for bacteriological or PCR testing

- Samples should be placed in tightly closed containers(jars or flasks with screw caps available at the laboratory if required).
- By no means should “containers” such as plastic bags,examination gloves, Vacutainer tubes or others be used.
- If the samples were collected with swabs, it is recommended that they be placed in a solid (agar) or liquid transport medium (e.g., solid or liquid medium).
- However, for samples for PCR testing, it is important that the transport medium is liquid (no transport media agar!)
- Samples should be refrigerated as quickly as possible(it is important not to freeze them!) and they should arrive at the laboratory within 72 hours after collection.

Feces for parasitology

- Samples should be placed in tightly closed containers (jars or flasks with screw caps available at the laboratory if required).
- By no means should “containers” such as plastic bags, examination gloves or others be used.
- Samples should be refrigerated as quickly as possible(it is important not to freeze them!) and they should arrive at the laboratory within 72 hours after collection.

Nasopharyngeal swabs for bacteriological testing

- The ends of swabs should be placed in a solid (agar) or liquid transport medium (eg solid or liquid medium).
- Samples should be refrigerated as quickly as possible and should be stored between 2 and 8°C (it is important not to freeze them!).
- They must arrive at the laboratory as soon as possible(ideally within 48 hours after collection).
- Note that these samples can not be used for PCR testing.

Nasopharyngeal swabs for PCR testing

- The ends of swabs should be placed in sterile containers with 1 mL of buffered saline (PBS) and sealed.
- It is recommended to use tubes with screw caps(available at the laboratory if required).
- Samples should be refrigerated as quickly as possible and stored at 2-8°C.
- They must arrive at the laboratory as soon as possible(ideally within 72 hours after harvest).
- Note that these swabs cannot be used for bacteriological testing.

Appendix B – Aerobic or anaerobic culture: How to choose?

We regularly receive questions about what type of culture to choose (aerobic or anaerobic?) and the samples to be submitted. The appropriate selection of samples and the type of culture is crucial for the culture to obtain a significant result.

Anaerobic germs, by definition, come from oxygen-poor, moisture-rich sites. To successfully grow these germs in the laboratory, it is essential that samples are not exposed to air and retain moisture.

The conditions in which anaerobic germs are likely to be involved must include:

- Tissue necrosis
- Deep abscesses
- Bite wounds
- Wet pleurisy
- Aspiration pneumonia
- Metritis and pyometers
- Oral diseases
- Joint diseases

Appropriate samples for researching anaerobic germs include:

- Fluids (pleural, peritoneal, joint, or cerebrospinal)
- Deep tissues (muscles, liver, etc.)
- Intestinal content

On the other hand, samples that are inappropriate for this type of research include, among others:

- Vaginal swabs
- Airway swabs and aspirations
- Skin swabs or superficial wounds
- Urine (unless taken by bladder puncture)



The following rules must apply for the collection, and retention of samples for anaerobic germ research:

- **Fluids:** If they are taken by aspiration with a syringe, the air must be removed from the barrel of the syringe beforehand. The fluids must be placed in sterile tubes without additives, and the tubes must be filled entirely so as not to leave any air. The tubes must be tightly sealed. The syringe may also be sent to the laboratory after removing the needle.
- **Swabs:** Swabs must be placed in an appropriate anaerobic transport medium, such as those available at Biovet.
- In all cases, the samples must be stored between 4°C and 8°C and reach the laboratory within 48 hours.

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Appendix C – Litter profile and wipe culture

Litter profile

It is important to submit a representative sample of the litter to be analyzed. To do this, it is necessary to proceed as follows:

- Take ten handfuls of litter to be analyzed from ten different places
- Place them in a clean bucket
- Mix well
- Take about two handfuls of the mixture
- Put them in a sealable “Ziploc” or “Whirl-pac” plastic bag.
- Keep the bag refrigerated (4-8°C) and send it to the laboratory within 24 to 48 hours.

*Note that there are no universal “guidelines” for interpreting litter culture results. There are no standards for certainly linking certain levels of bacteria with an increased risk of mastitis. However, litter cultures can be useful for assessing the microbiological quality of “clean” litter, comparing recycled litter before and after “treatment” or assessing the “management” of litter. We strongly recommend that you to discuss the use of results with your veterinarian before sending samples to the laboratory.

It is strongly recommended that you and your veterinarian discuss the use of the results before sending samples to the laboratory.

The Litter Profile includes the following tests:

- Aerobic Colonies count (mesophiles/total count)
- Total coliform count/Escherichia coli
- Staphylococcus spp count.
- Streptococcus spp. count
- Klebsiella spp. count

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Wipe culture

The wipe cultures used in the preparation of udders for milking are produced to assess the effectiveness of cleaning and/or disinfection procedures or their storage conditions.

The wipes to be analyzed should be placed in sealable “Ziploc” or “Whirl-pac” plastic bags. The bags must be refrigerated (4°C to 8°C) and sent to the laboratory within 24 to 48 hours.

*Note that there are no universal “guidelines” for interpreting wipe culture results. To assess the storage conditions of the wipes, you can compare a freshly cleaned wipe to another that has been stored for a period of time.

The cultures is produced individually to order. A simple count of mesophilic germs can already provide interesting information. If necessary, a more complete profile can be created including:

- Aerobic Colonies count (mesophiles/total count)
- Total coliform count/ Escherichia coli
- Staphylococcus spp count.
- Streptococcus spp. count
- Klebsiella spp count.

Appendix D – Why choose our service rather than do the milk analyses yourself?

1. Pickup service

UA free pick-up service at the clinic is available in most regions. Samples are kept at an optimum temperature until the laboratory.

2. Quick processing of samples

The laboratory is operational 7 days a week and from 8:00 a.m. to midnight (3:30 p.m. on weekends). Samples are seeded as soon as they arrive at the laboratory.

3. Devices checked and calibrated

All our devices (incubators, Maldi Tof, etc.) are checked and calibrated regularly.

4. Non-selective culture

We use a rich, non-selective culture medium that allows the growth of the majority of mammary infection agents (e.g. bacteria except Mycoplasma; yeasts, Prototheca).

5. Double culture

For mastitis cases, we culture “fresh” milk as well as milk that has been incubated at 35°C for a few hours. Cultures are systematically read after 1 and 2 days of incubation.

6. Standardized results

The results of “fresh” milk cultures (direct seeding) are expressed in “colony-forming units per mL” (cfu/mL). The results for milk previously incubated are indicated by “presence” or “absence”.

7. Ultra-precision identification

The microorganisms are identified very precisely using a Brüker Maldi Tof device. Maldi Tof technology identifies germs that were difficult to identify otherwise (Negative coagulase Staphylococci)

8. Real-time results

A preliminary report for Staphylococcus and Enterobacteriaceae (E. coli, Klebsiella spp) is sent the day after the samples were received. The final report is sent no more than 3 days later. The results are available in real time via the web (Bionet).

9. Quality of analysis

The tests are performed by qualified technicians supervised by a certified microbiologist in accordance with the recommendations of the National Mastitis Council.

For more information, feel free to contact us.



Appendix E – New approach to the diagnosis of respiratory infections in cattle

We are in the winter with its respiratory problems. This year, we would like to offer you new diagnostic possibilities. Indeed, it appeared that you are mainly interested in the diagnosis by PCR of viral infections and by PCR or culture for bacterial infections. To reconcile these approaches, we have created a new profile, called “respiratory viral profile PLUS” including the detection of *Mycoplasma bovis* in addition to that of viruses. So, here are the 4 profiles that are now available to you:

1. **Viral Respiratory Profile qPCR:** Includes BoCV (Coronavirus), BoHV1 (IBR), BRSV, BVDV, PI3 and Influenza Virus D (IVD).
2. **Bacterial Respiratory Profile qPCR:** Includes *Histophilus somni*, *M. bovis*, *Mannheimia haemolytica*, *Pasteurella multocida* & *Trueperella pyogenes*.
3. **Complete Respiratory Profile qPCR:** Includes Bacterial and viral Respiratory Profile.
4. **Viral PLUS Respiratory Profile qPCR:** Viral Respiratory Profile + *Mycoplasma bovis*.

In addition, in order to reduce costs while maintaining good analytical sensitivity while improving diagnostic sensitivity, we suggest you resort to the use of pooled samples for the “viral respiratory profile” and “viral respiratory profile PLUS” (not for the “bacteria respiratory profile”).

Indeed, when it comes to determining whether a given contagious agent (virus, mycoplasmas) is present or not in a group of animals, it is not necessary to precisely determine the status of each of the animals concerned.

Additionally, if the individual samples are representative of the condition and the affected animals, most of these should be moderately to strongly positive.

However, the sensitivity of real-time PCR (qPCR) is such that if a pool consists of a moderately positive sample and 3 or 4 negative samples, the result of the test performed on the pool will be relatively unaffected.

Example: a pool consisting of a sample with a Ct of 28 (moderate load) and 3 or 4 negative samples (Ct > 38) will give a Ct of around 30-31.

In addition, you can request a bacteriological examination completed by one or more antibiogram (s) for *Mannheimia haemolytica*, *Pasteurella multocida* and *Histophilus somni*.

Taking samples

Material required

1. Paper towel or rag
2. 30 “ double sheath swabs (available at Biovet: order@biovet-inc.com)
3. Tubes with Amies liquid transport medium (1 mL in 10 mL tube) suitable for bacteriological examinations and PCR (available from Biovet: order@biovet-inc.com)
4. Pair of scissors
5. Indelible marker
6. Analysis request form
7. Cooler with ice packs

Procedure

1. Select 3 to 5 animals representative of the condition and at the onset of clinical signs (less than 2-3 days).
2. Perform deep nasopharyngeal swabs on the selected animals (1 swab / animal)
 - Clean the orifice of the nasal cavities with paper towels or a cloth to limit contamination of the swabs
 - Swab the nasopharyngeal cavities as described in this video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WB3luk1nQjY>
3. Cut the swab shaft to the appropriate length to allow it to be placed in a tube of transport medium.
4. If necessary, identify the tube with the animal's #
5. Store samples in refrigerator (4-8°C)
6. Complete a request by specifying the required tests
7. Send everything to the laboratory within 24 to 48 hours.

For more information, feel free to contact us.

Appendix F – Antibiotic profiles - cattle and small ruminants (sensitivity – Kirby-Bauer)

ANTIBIOTICS			
Amoxicillin	•		
Ampicillin	•	•	•
Ceftiofur	•	•	•
Cefalotin	•	•	
Cloxacillin		•	
Enrofloxacin	•	•	•
Erythromycin		•	•
Florfenicol	•		•
Gamithromycin			•
Gentamycin	•		
Neomycin	•		
Penicillin G		•	
Penicillin / Novobiocin		•	
Pirlimycin HCl		•	
Polymyxin B	•		
Spectinomycin	•		•
Streptomycin	•		
Sulfisoxazole			•
Sulphamethoxazole / Trimethoprim	•	•	•
Tetracyclin		•	•
Tilmicosin			•
Tildipirosin			•

OTHER AVAILABLE ANTIBIOTICS		
Amikacin	Ciprofloxacin	Nitrofurantoin
Amoxicillin / Clavulanic acid	Clindamycin	Norfloxacin
Apramycin	Doxycyclin	Novobiocin
Azithromycin	Fusidic acid	Ofloxacin
Bacitracin	Imipenem	Oxacillin
Cefovecin	Kanamycin	Piperacillin
Cefoxitin	Lincomycin	Pradofloxacin
Cefpodoxime	Marbofloxacin	Rifampicin
Ceftazidim	Meropeneme	Sulbactam / Ampicillin
Cephalexin	Metronidazole	Ticarcillin
Cephazolin	Moxifloxacin	Tobramycin
Chloramphenicole	Mupirocin	

Appendix G – Detection of mammary staphylococcal infections in primiparous

There is a growing interest in the field to detect and treat *Staphylococcus aureus* (AS) breast infections in primiparous (bulls) at calving and we were recently asked to offer a special bacteriological examination service for the milk of these animals.

To do this, it can be tempting to use the Petrifilms Staph. Express from 3MTM, to start by examining pools of the 4 districts and then to examine individually the samples in which SA aureus would have been detected.

Our experience with Petrifilms Staph. Express has shown us that it is not always easy to differentiate AS from other staphylococci. However, in bulls, infections with staphylococci other than AS (in particular so-called coagulase-negative staphylococci, CNS) are common. Therefore, the risk of confusion between SA and CSN with Petrifilms Staph. Express is not negligible.

In addition, the pathogenic role of CNS in breast infections is currently unclear. Some species would affect milk quality (increased somatic cells) and possibly even subsequent milk production. However, at this stage, it does not seem justified to treat sub-clinical infections with CNS. In short, it is important not to confuse SA and CNS in order to avoid unnecessary treatments.

Therefore, we decided to proceed by examining the 4 quarters individually, to use conventional isolation media (blood agars) and to identify isolates according to the usual methods (including the coagulase test). In addition, we will use an inoculum of 500 µL instead of the usual 10 µL. Finally, we will report the presence of both SA and CNS. On the other hand, the possible presence of other germs will not be reported. Also note that the milks will not be frozen or incubated before being seeded (you are free to freeze the samples before sending them to us).

We are convinced that this approach will offer a better sensitivity than the standard method while ensuring that SA from CNS are definitely differentiated unlike Staph Petrifilms. Express.

For more information, feel free to contact us.

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Appendix H – About the search for salmonella in cattle

Salmonella spp infections are a major concern for both herd and public health

In cattle, salmonellosis can be caused by different serotypes such as Typhimurium, Dublin, Newport, Montevideo, Muenster, Cerro, Muenchen, etc. (Gutema et al, 2019, Hong et al, 2016)

Typhimurium serotype is most common in many species.

Dublin serotype is particularly suitable for cattle in which, unlike other serotypes, it causes persistent infections.

S. Dublin infections are particularly severe in humans.

S. Dublin strains found in Quebec are generally resistant to several families of antibiotics (multidrug-resistant strains).

Biovet provides you with diagnostic tools to detect salmonella from different samples (feces, tissues, milk, blood, food, environment).

We advocate a hybrid approach consisting of combining selective enrichment (bacteriology) and real-time PCR (Goodman et al, 2017). After selective enrichment, the presence of salmonella is checked by real-time PCR.

This approach is faster and more sensitive than the bacteriological method alone.

In cattle, we currently offer 2 different PCRs:

- **qPCR 1-plex Salmonella spp: detects the presence of all salmonella without specifying a serotype**
- **qPCR 3-plex Salmonella spp + S. Typhimurium + S. Dublin:** detects the presence of salmonella and determines whether it is Typhimurium or Dublin serotype (or not)

Given the importance of typhimurium and Dublin serotypes, we strongly recommend the use of 3-plex qPCR which allows you to quickly know if you are dealing with a Typhimurium, Dublin or other serotype.

In the event of a positive PCR, salmonella isolation can be continued to obtain an isolate and its susceptibility to different antimicrobials can be determined using the agar method

If the PCR is negative for Typhimurium and Dublin, then it is also possible to determine the serotype involved from the isolate.

In addition, we continue to offer salmonella research in “standard bacteriology”.

For more information, feel free to contact us.

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Appendix I – Protocol for the handling and sending of large masses of animals for veterinary analysis

Here are clear and detailed instructions on how to ensure the safety and efficiency of the process when sending mass that does not fit into standard formalin containers.

Whether you're a veterinarian or a laboratory professional, handling these samples appropriately is essential to prevent health risks and ensure accurate results.

We invite you to carefully follow the recommendations provided in this appendix for the safe and efficient handling of animal masses. If in doubt, don't hesitate to contact our technical team for further help and advice.

Protocol

1. In the smallest possible plastic container, place gauze pads or a "pee pad" and soak them with Epredia™ Formalin 10% (ready-to-use formalin). To do this, use about 100 ml, which is equivalent to a small urine collection jar.
2. Place the mass inside the prepared container and carefully wrap it in the gauze pads or the "pee pad".
3. Close the lid of the container tightly and place it in a closed plastic bag.



Please note that it is strictly forbidden to send a formaldehyde-filled "Ziploc" style bag, as this constitutes a hazard to handling and transportation. Instead, use an appropriate container and follow the instructions provided to ensure the safety of all involved. Please refer to your preservative's Material Safety Data Sheet for details.

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