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METHOD CHANGE FOR ANTINUCLEAR ANTIBODY (ANA) SCREENING TEST

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Effective March 23, 2018, Marshfield Labs ceased to perform ANA screening by the enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay (ELISA), test code: ANAEIA. All ANA screening will be performed using fixed HEp-2 cells by the immunofluorescence (IF) assay, test code: ANA. HEp-2 cells have approximately 100 to 150 possible autoantigens. The pattern and titer will be reported for all positive screens by the IF method, which is the gold standard for ANA testing with greater sensitivity than solid phase assays.

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