

## **Atypical Pneumonia PCR Panel Plus (APP-Plus)\***

Laboratory developed (RT-PCR) assays for the detection of agents of “atypical pneumonia” and “pneumocystis pneumonia”. These assays utilize Luminex ARIES® technology to generate a result in approximately two hours.

### **Targets**

*Mycoplasma pneumoniae* (MCR)\*  
*Legionella pneumophila* (LCR)\*  
*Chlamydia pneumoniae* (CCR)\*  
*Pneumocystis jirovecii* (PJP)\*

### **Accepted Specimens**

Oropharyngeal swabs (OP) or broncho-alveolar lavage (BAL) accepted for APP. For PJP collect BAL **only**. For OP specimens, collect using a Dacron-tipped, plastic-shafted swab (Copan Flocked swab, if available) and place in UTM media. For BAL specimens, collect 5.0 ml of BAL and maintain at 4°C.

### **Specimens Receipt**

Specimens are accepted Monday through Friday.

### **Assay Schedule**

APP Plus assay is set up Monday through Friday, with final results usually available by 2:00 pm on the day of receipt.

### **Normal Range**

Not detected

### **CPT Codes**

MCR: 87581  
LCR: 87541  
CCR: 87486  
PJP: 87798

*\*This test was developed, and its performance characteristics determined by the Infectious Diseases Laboratory using Analyte Specific Reagents. It has not been cleared or approved by the FDA. The FDA has determined that such clearance is not necessary. This test is used for clinical purposes and should not be regarded as investigational or for research. This laboratory is regulated under the CLIA Amendments of 1988, 42 U.S.C. §263a as qualified to perform high-complexity clinical testing of this nature.*