



cobas® eplex blood culture identification panels

In the race against time for sepsis, get rapid results using the most comprehensive panels for bloodstream infections



Physicians today are faced with significant challenges in the diagnosis of sepsis. It can take days to identify the causative organisms and treatment options for bloodstream infections (BSI), which can lead to delays in effective antimicrobial therapy, increased hospital costs and higher patient mortality rates.



Rapid identification is critical

Traditional methods can take days to identify the causative agents of sepsis.



Rapid identification and reporting

True sample-to-answer workflow:

cobas® eplex system is so easy to use that it can be run on any shift, so critical patient samples never have to wait until morning.

With automated results reporting via LIS and remote alerts, there is **no delay** in patient reporting.



For every hour effective antibiotics are delayed, the sepsis mortality rate increases up to

8%



20%-30%

of patients receive ineffective initial antibiotic therapy.²



cobas eplex BCID panels deliver results in

~90 minutes^{6,7}

beating conventional culture-based tests by as much as **2 days**.⁸



Coverage of

>95%

of the organisms causing BSI, so nearly every patient will get a rapid result.

Rapidly rule-out blood culture contamination

As much as 15 to 30% of positive blood cultures may be due to contaminants which can result in continuation of unnecessary antibiotics.³

The **cobas eplex** BCID panels are designed to allow you to more rapidly differentiate a contaminant from a true infection, potentially enabling rapid de-escalation and discharge of patients with a bloodstream infection 2-3 days earlier than conventional methods.⁴

Common contaminants included on the **cobas eplex** BCID-GP panel but not on most competitors' panels⁵ include: *Bacillus subtilis* group, *Corynebacterium*, *Cutibacterium acnes*, *Lactobacillus* and *Micrococcus*.

Simple, easy-to-use workflow

Less than 1 minute

of hands-on time

Enables on-demand testing on all shifts



Pipette 50 µL of sample into cartridge



Scan and load cartridge

The **cobas eplex** BCID panels enable physicians to rapidly identify more clinically relevant bloodstream infections and their resistance genes while quickly ruling out blood culture contamination, which can result in earlier treatment decisions. Rapid molecular diagnosis of BSI has been shown to improve patient outcomes, antimicrobial stewardship and reduce hospital costs.



The value of resistance genes

Resistance genes can detect the potential for resistance even in cases where antibiotics appear active by antimicrobial susceptibility testing (AST) but may not be effective clinically, so even if a gene hasn't been expressed, the resistance genotype won't be missed.¹⁰



Patient-centered care

Rapid ID of the causative agents in BSI with multiplex molecular diagnostics has been shown to decrease time to targeted therapy by ~25 hours¹² and length of hospital stay by 2.5 days.¹³



Deliver important information to aid in

rapid infection control



Speed & reliability

of resistant markers, combined with the broad coverage of AST, provide optimal patient care.



cobas eplex BCID panels can aid in earlier de-escalation of antibiotics

which can significantly help clinicians and healthcare personnel reduce adverse effects, like acute kidney injury (AKI) and *C. difficile* infection risk. ¹⁴⁻¹⁶



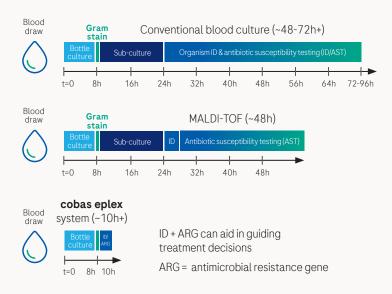
Detect more

BSI while quickly ruling out blood culture contaminants with cobas eplex BCID panels

Designed to enable prompt treatment decisions.

Enabling timely treatment decisions for more patients

cobas eplex BCID panels include the broadest^{5,7} coverage of bacterial and fungal organisms and their resistance genes available from a sample-to-answer multiplex diagnostics platform.



cobas eplex BCID panels reduce time to actionable result for BSI by as much as several days compared to conventional methodologies.^{6,7}

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Gram-positive panel	Gram-negative panel	Fungal pathogen panel
Bacillus cereus group	Acinetobacter baumannii	Candida albicans
Bacillus subtilis group	Bacteroides fragilis	Candida auris
Corynebacterium	Citrobacter	Candida dubliniensis
Cutibacterium acnes	Cronobacter sakazakii	Candida famata
Enterococcus	Enterobacter (non-cloacae complex)	Candida glabrata
Enterococcus faecalis	Enterobacter cloacae complex	Candida guilliermondii
Enterococcus faecium	Escherichia coli	Candida kefyr
Lactobacillus	Fusobacterium nucleatum	Candida krusei
Listeria	Fusobacterium necrophorum	Candida lusitaniae
Listeria monocytogenes	Haemophilus influenzae	Candida parapsilosis
Micrococcus	Klebsiella oxytoca	Candida tropicalis
Staphylococcus	Klebsiella pneumoniae group	Cryptococcus gattii
Staphylococcus aureus	Morganella morganii	Cryptococcus neoformans
Staphylococcus epidermidis	Neisseria meningitidis	Fusarium
Staphylococcus lugdunensis	Proteus	Rhodotorula
Streptococcus	Proteus mirabilis	
Streptococcus agalactiae (GBS)	Pseudomonas aeruginosa	
Streptococcus anginosus group	Salmonella	
Streptococcus pneumoniae	Serratia	
Streptococcus pyogenes (GAS)	Serratia marcescens	
Resistance genes	Stenotrophomonas maltophilia	
mecA	Resistance genes	
mecC	CTX-M	
vanA	IMP	
vanB	KPC	
Pan targets	NDM	
Pan gram-negative	OXA	
Pan <i>Candida</i>	VIM	
	Pan targets	
	Pan gram-positive	
	Pan Candida	



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Key parameters	Description
Sample type	Positive blood culture
Sample volume	50 μL
Test duration	~90 minutes
Kit size	12 tests

Ordering information

Kit description	Material number
cobas eplex blood culture identification gram-positive panel (BCID-GP)	09556508001
cobas eplex blood culture identification gram-negative panel (BCID-GN)	09556494001
cobas eplex blood culture identification fungal pathogen panel (BCID-FP)	09556516001

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