

Supporting all 3 phases of the transplant journey with end-to-end testing solutions

Transplant clinicians and recipients notice improved outcomes when they work with specialized transplant labs that offer comprehensive, quality testing.¹ Quest Advanced Specialized Transplant Services is here for you, with testing solutions that support all 3 phases of the complex transplant journey.

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Pre-transplant evaluation and pre-operative testing*

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Blood type testing

Establishes ABO blood type, since recipients and donors must have either the same blood type or compatible ones.²

Human leukocyte antigen (HLA) testing

Matches organ and tissue recipients with compatible donors; also screens for the presence of antibodies that might target the donated tissue or organ as part of an immune response.²

Crossmatch testing

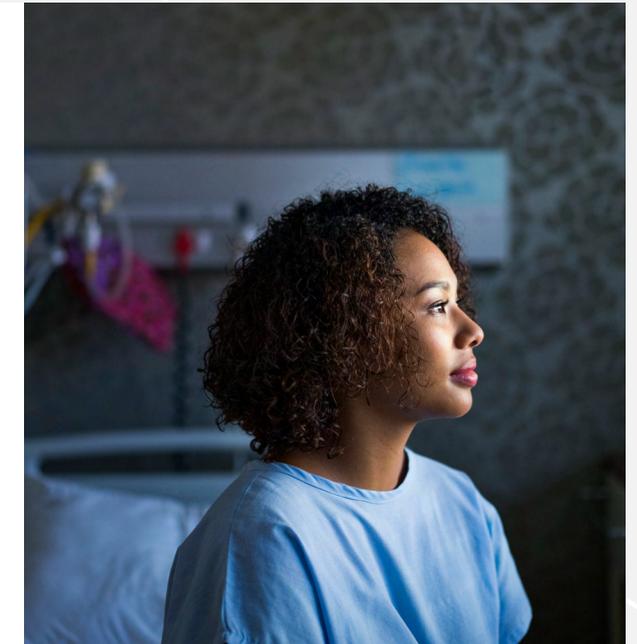
Detects the presence of antibodies in the recipient against the red blood cells of the donor. Occurs several times during living-donor transplant preparation, particularly if donor-specific blood transfusions are employed; a final crossmatch also is performed within 48 hours before the transplant.²

Infectious disease and other testing

Tests for infectious diseases, such as HIV, sexually transmitted infections (STIs), hepatitis, cytomegalovirus (CMV), and West Nile virus; also checks the function of the heart, kidneys, liver, thyroid, and/or immune system; blood sugar control; and/or electrolyte balance.²

*Pre-transplant testing is conducted as applicable in a Quest Diagnostics FDA-registered transplant lab using FDA-cleared or -approved tests.

Disclaimer: The timeline of infectious disease testing following organ transplantation is not limited to this.



How Quest can help

- Protocol-based infectious disease testing per transplant type
- Low threshold for identifying when further tests or admission is necessary, to catch, evaluate, and treat issues early
- Genetic testing for the evaluation of living donor candidates and transplant recipients



Post-transplant monitoring

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Infectious disease testing <4 weeks post-transplant

Monitoring and testing for donor-derived viruses, *Candida* species, anastomotic leaks, *Clostridioides difficile* (*C diff*), line and wound infection, nosocomial pneumonia, and urinary tract infections.⁴ Drug toxicity and drug interactions with immunosuppressive agents used to maintain graft function should also be monitored.³

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Infectious disease testing 1–12 months post-transplant

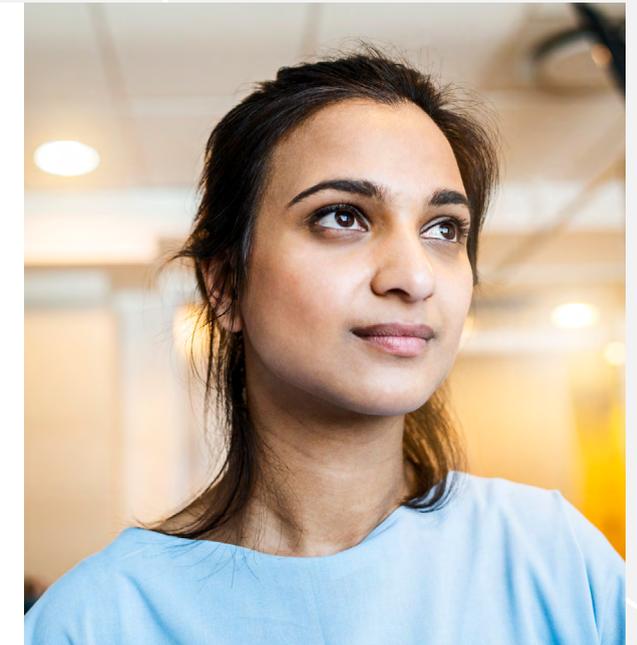
Monitoring and testing for adenovirus, BK polyomavirus, Epstein-Barr virus, hepatitis B and C, herpes simplex virus, human herpesvirus 6 and 7, *varicella zoster virus* (VZV), *Aspergillus*, endemic fungi, *Mucor*, *Scedosporium*, *Pneumocystis jirovecii*, *Listeria monocytogenes*, *Nocardia* species, *Leishmania* species, *Strongyloides stercoralis*, *Trypanosoma cruzi*, and *Toxoplasma gondii*.³

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Infectious disease testing >12 months post-transplant

Monitoring and testing for community-acquired respiratory viruses, cytomegalovirus, human papillomavirus, JC polyomavirus and PML, PTLD, *Aspergillus*, *Cryptococcus neoformans*, *Mucor*, *Scedosporium*, and *Mycobacterium tuberculosis*, among others.³

> See post-transplant infection risk timeline



How Quest can help

- Protocol-based infectious disease testing per transplant type
- Clinical consultations, longitudinal data, and EMR integration to support decision-making across a patient's care team



Ongoing follow-up and care

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Regular/routine blood testing

Includes monitoring and testing for evidence of chronic rejection, organ/body function, and effectiveness of postoperative treatment. Also requires management of risk factors, led by the primary care physician and coordinated with the transplant center/team, since cardiovascular disease and renal failure are the leading causes of post-transplant morbidity and mortality independent of graft rejection.⁴

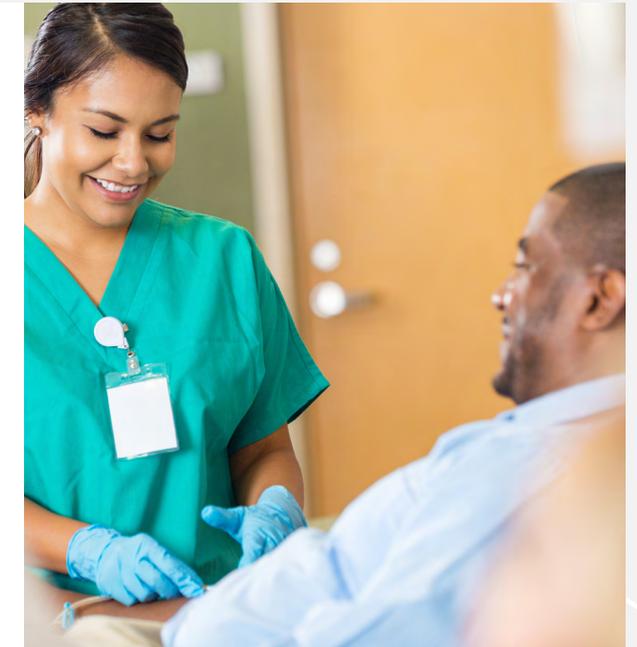
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Molecular expression testing

Monitors the activity of specific genes in white blood cells to determine the risk of acute cellular rejection for heart transplant recipients.

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[> Learn more](#)



How Quest can help

- National footprint with convenient lab draw locations
- Patient engagement and outreach programs, including home draws and diverse types of patient education materials, for improved testing adherence and better outcomes



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A better transplant testing journey for patients and providers

Find out how Quest Diagnostics is powering affordable care through improved experiences and better outcomes across the patient and hospital transplant journey.

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Post-transplant diseases and average times of onset³

Time Post-Transplant

