Our Services
DCPAH’s Immunodiagnostics/Parasitology Section offers a variety of PCR and Indirect Fluorescent Antibody Titer (IFA) assays for detection of blood borne pathogens of dogs and cats. Most of our PCR assays detect organisms at the genus level, for example, Babesia spp are detected instead of a specific organism (Babesia canis canis). Our IFA assays provide an antibody titer; not just a positive or negative result.

Recommended Tests
Two standard canine blood donor test panels and one standard feline blood donor test panel are listed in our catalog. The canine blood donor test panel, order code 60996, includes a PCR assay for detection of Babesia spp. and IFA assays for detection of antibody against Ehrlichia canis, Babesia canis/gibsoni and Leishmania donovani/infantum. The canine blood donor test panel, order code 60998, includes PCR assays for Babesia spp., Mycoplasma haemocanis and haematoparvum, and Ehrlichia canis; and IFA assays for Ehrlichia and Leishmania. Other assays that can be added include PCR and IFA assays for Anaplasma spp and Rickettsia spp, and a PCR assay for Bartonella spp. Our standard feline blood donor test panel, order code 60997, includes PCR assays for Bartonella spp and for Mycoplasma haemofelis, haemominutum, and turicensis. A PCR assay for feline leukemia virus and ELISAs for detection of antibody against feline leukemia virus and feline immunodeficiency virus are available. If a standard assay is not what you want, we will work with you to build the test panel you need.

Collecting and Submitting Samples
The IFA assays require a minimum of 0.5 ml of serum; please submit whole blood in a sterile leak-proof clot tube. The PCR assays require a minimum of 1 ml of blood collected into a sterile leak-proof EDTA (lavender top) tube. Please ship blood samples with an ice pack.

Do you need a prepaid, preaddressed, shipping container? Call us at 517.353.1683, or access ordering instructions online at animalhealth.msu.edu under Shipping Options.

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