

OVA AND PARASITE REPORTING UPDATE

In an effort to make Ova and Parasite final reports clearer, the State Hygienic Laboratory is changing the analyte names on the Ova and Parasite, Stool Concentration and Trichrome Stain methods from 'Parasite Identified' (Figure 1), to 'Microscopic Examination of Concentrated Sample' and 'Trichrome Stain Observation' (Figure 2), respectively. This change will take place on October 2, 2023. This change will not impact previously reported test results. Please contact the Microbiology Supervisor, Megan Nelson, directly with questions, comments, or concerns regarding these changes (megan-nelson-1@uiowa.edu or 319-467-1662).

| <u>TEST</u> | <u>RESULT</u> | <u>MODIFIER</u> | <u>ANALYSIS NOTE(S)</u> |
|--|----------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|
| <i>Ova and Parasite Testing, Ethyl Acetate Concentration</i> Parasite Identified | No Ova or Parasites found | | 1 |
| <i>Trichrome Stain for Parasites, Biological Stain</i> Parasite Identified | No Ova or Parasites found | | |

Figure 1 Old Test Analyte Names

| <u>TEST</u> | <u>RESULT</u> | <u>MODIFIER</u> | <u>ANALYSIS NOTE(S)</u> |
|---|----------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|
| <i>Ova and Parasite Testing, Ethyl Acetate Concentration</i> Microscopic Examination of Concentrated Sample | No Ova or Parasites found | | 1 |
| <i>Trichrome Stain for Parasites, Biological Stain</i> Trichrome Stain Observation | No Ova or Parasites found | | |

Figure 2 New Test Analyte Names