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World Health Organization's
ASSURED criteria

	India Ink	Latex Agglutination	Lateral Flow Assay
A ffordable	< \$1 per test	\$3-\$6 per test	\$2-\$4 per test
S ensitivity	50%	91-100%	96-100%
S pecificity	100%	83-100%	98-100%
U ser-friendly	Moderate training threshold	Moderate training threshold	Low training threshold
R apid/ R obust	CSF only	45-60 minutes to results serum & CSF	10 minutes to results serum, CSF, plasma, urine, whole blood
E quipment free	Requires microscope, ink, & slides	Requires shaker, refrigerator, freezer, pipette, heat block or water bath, & centrifuge	Requires tubes & pipette
D elivered	Moderate to advanced laboratory infrastructure	Moderate to advanced laboratory infrastructure Refrigerator & freezer required for storage 2-3 year shelf-life	Minimal laboratory infrastructure Room temperature storage 2 year shelf-life



5 Easy Steps

1



add 1 drop of
specimen diluent

2



add 40 µl
of specimen
(CSF, serum, plasma,
whole blood)

3



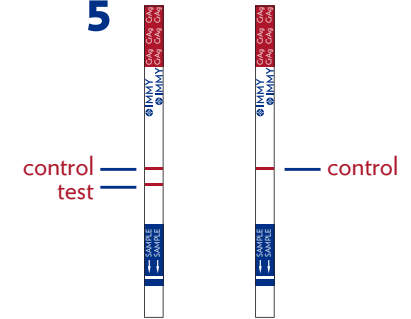
insert strip

4



incubate
10 minutes

5



1 line = negative
2 lines = positive

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“...consideration should be given to
establishing the cryptococcal antigen LFA
as the current GOLD STANDARD
for the detection of cryptococcal infection.”

- *Medical Laboratory Observer*
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