



Memo No. 2018-042
Date: 24-Sep-2018
Memo To: Clients
Re: **Allergen-Specific IgE – Price and Test Menu Revision**

The ICL menu of Allergen-Specific IgE testing encompasses more than 400 allergens, including total allergens, mixes of total allergens and allergen components. Specimens are referred to the Laboratory Reference Centre (LRC) in Hamilton and are tested at Hamilton General Hospital using the Phadia ImmunoCAP® system.

Prices: Some tests are rarely ordered and thus incur higher costs due to wastage of analytical reagents. Effective September 26, 2018 test prices will be increased for these rare allergen tests, constituting 10% of the specimen volume submitted for testing. By contrast, 75% have no price change and 15% have a price decrease. Please contact ICL Client Care for further information.

Test Menu: The test menu is being revised with the addition of 8 allergens and many test names will be revised to allow unambiguous identification of the allergen in the ICL test catalogue and patient reports. ImmunoCAP® catalogue names and product codes are used to the extent possible. The product catalogue is available at <http://www.phadia.com/Global/A%20Document%20Library/Product%20Catalogues/Product-Catalog-2018.pdf>.

The revised names allow easier access to the Phadia website to obtain comprehensive allergen information at <http://www.phadia.com/Products/Allergy-testing-products/ImmunoCAP-Allergen-Information/>

The ICL web-based catalogue will be revised to reflect the menu revisions. ICL's list of available allergens is frequently revised based on manufacturer additions or client requests. Please contact us if the allergen you are seeking is not listed.

If you have further questions please contact Client Care at (416) 422-3000 Ext. 300 or info@ICLabs.ca

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