

## Fungus Culture, Skin, Hair, Nails - Test Discontinued

Effective **November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2024**, the Microbiology Laboratory will discontinue the “*Fungus Culture Hair Skin Nail*” order.

To diagnose patients with filamentous fungal infections of the skin, hair, and nails, please order the “*Dermatophyte Screen, Fungus culture*”. This culture will identify filamentous fungal causes of dermatomycosis.

<b>Discontinued Test</b>	<b>Replacement Order</b>
Fungus Culture, Skin, Hair, Nails [LAB1231191]	Dermatophyte Screen, Fungus Culture [LAB1231186]

Examples of common pathogens that will be identified by the “*Dermatophyte Screen, Fungus culture*” include:

- *Trichophyton* spp.
- *Microsporum* spp.
- *Epidermophyton* spp.
- *Fusarium* spp.
- *Scopulariopsis* spp.

If infection caused by a yeast is suspected, a “*Fungus Culture*” should be ordered.

**For questions, please contact Pathology Client Services at (804) 828-7284 or Microbiology at (804) 628-4000.**