# **Laboratories That Will Test Ticks From The General Public**

Several laboratories test ticks for pathogens, including Borrelia burgdorferi, the pathogen that causes Lyme disease. Some of these are listed below, along with contact information. They may vary widely in price, response time, and proper procedures for mailing.

This listing is for your convenience only, and is not comprehensive. Inclusion on this list does not constitute endorsement by NYSDOH.

In Addition, please realize that any laboratory test may result in false positives or false negatives. And a tick testing positive for a particular pathogen <u>does not mean</u> that the individual or animal that was bitten is positive for the disease that pathogen causes. Disease transmission is dependent on many variables, including duration of attachment, species and life stage of tick, and immunological characteristics.

# Analytical Services, Inc.

Attn: Tick Testing PO Box 515 Williston, VT 05495 (802) 450-1823

Info: Cost \$75 per tick Checks/money orders: Analytical Services, Inc. Place tick in small ziplock bag. Tick must be dry (do not use alcohol or tape) Write your name, address, phone number and email address on ziplock bag. Test results: Will receive results within 10 business days.

## **Connecticut Pathology Laboratories**

Attn: Tick Testing 1320 Main Street Ste.24 Willimantic, CT 06226 (860) 450-1823

Info: Cost \$64 per tick for Lyme testing \$120 per tick for Lyme, Babesia and Anaplasma testing (Both fees include \$10 identification fee) Check/money orders: Connecticut Pathology Labs Place tick in damp paper towel (Do not use alcohol or tape) in small ziplock bag. Place ziplock bag in a protective container such as bubble wrap envelope or box. Send via USPS or other courier

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Test results: Results available within 5-7 business days.

## Imugen, Inc

Attn: Tick Testing 220 Norwood Park South Norwood, MA 02062 (781) 255-0770

Info: Cost \$75 per tick \$ 98 per tick for Lyme and Babesia testing Checks/money orders: Imugen, Inc.

Place tick in small ziplock bag. Tick must be dry (do not use alcohol or tape) Write your name, address, phone number and email address on ziplock bag.

Test results: Will receive results within 10 business days.

## **IgeneX**

Attn: TT 795 San Antonio Rd Palo Alto, Ca 94303 (800) 832-3200

Info: Cost \$65 up to 20 ticks together (if tested separate it will be \$65 a tick)

Checks/Money order: IGeneX, Inc.

Place ticks(up to 20) in a small tube or ziplock bag with a small piece of moist cotton. Place container in a padded envelope or box.

## **Must fill out Tick Testing Request Form**

Form available @ www.igenex.com

Test results: Available within 10 business days.

**New Jersey Laboratories** 

Attn: Tick Testing 1110 Somerset Street New Brunswick, NY 08901 (732) 249-0148

Info: Cost \$60 per tick

\$175 if tick is placed in alcohol

Checks/money order: New Jersey Laboratories

Put the tick in a small ziplock sandwich bag with a cotton ball moistened with water. Place a label with

your name and address on the ziplock bag.

Test results: Results available within 10 business days.

# Northeast Infectious Disease Diagnostic Lab

314 Independence Rd Suite 114 East Stroudsburg, PA 18301 (570) 422-7885

Info: Cost is free for Identification

\$75 for Lyme testing

Check/money orders: East Stroudsburg University Place tick in small ziplock bag. Tick must be dry (do

not use alcohol or tape)

### Must fill out Tick Submission Form

Form available @

http://www4.esu.edu/aboutesu/nwdl/diag.cfm Test results: Available within 10 business days.

### **UMass Extension Tick Diagnostic Lab**

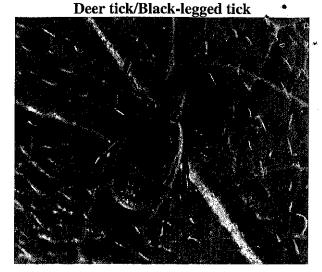
Attn: Tick Assessment
Holdsworth Natural Resources Center,
160 Holdsworth Way
University of Massachusetts, Amherst, MA 01003-9285
(Use exact address to ensure delivery)
(413) 545-1055

Info: Cost \$40 per tick for Lyme test \$140 for Lyme, Babesiosis and Anaplasmosis per tick Check/money orders: University of Massachusetts Place tick in damp paper towel (Do not use alcohol or tape) in small ziplock bag. Place ziplock bag in a protective container such as bubble wrap envelope or box.

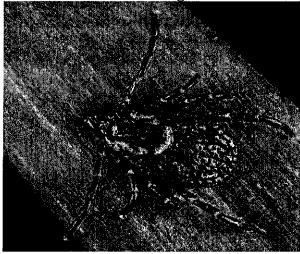
### **Must fill out Tick Submission Form**

Form available @ www.umass.edu/tick

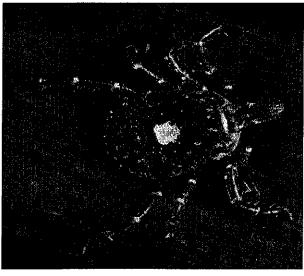
Test results: Available within 10 business days.



American dog tick



Lone star tick



Any questions or concerns about Lyme disease please contact Tompkins County Health Department @ 607-274-6604.

