

# **ECHO Case Presentation (Part 2)**

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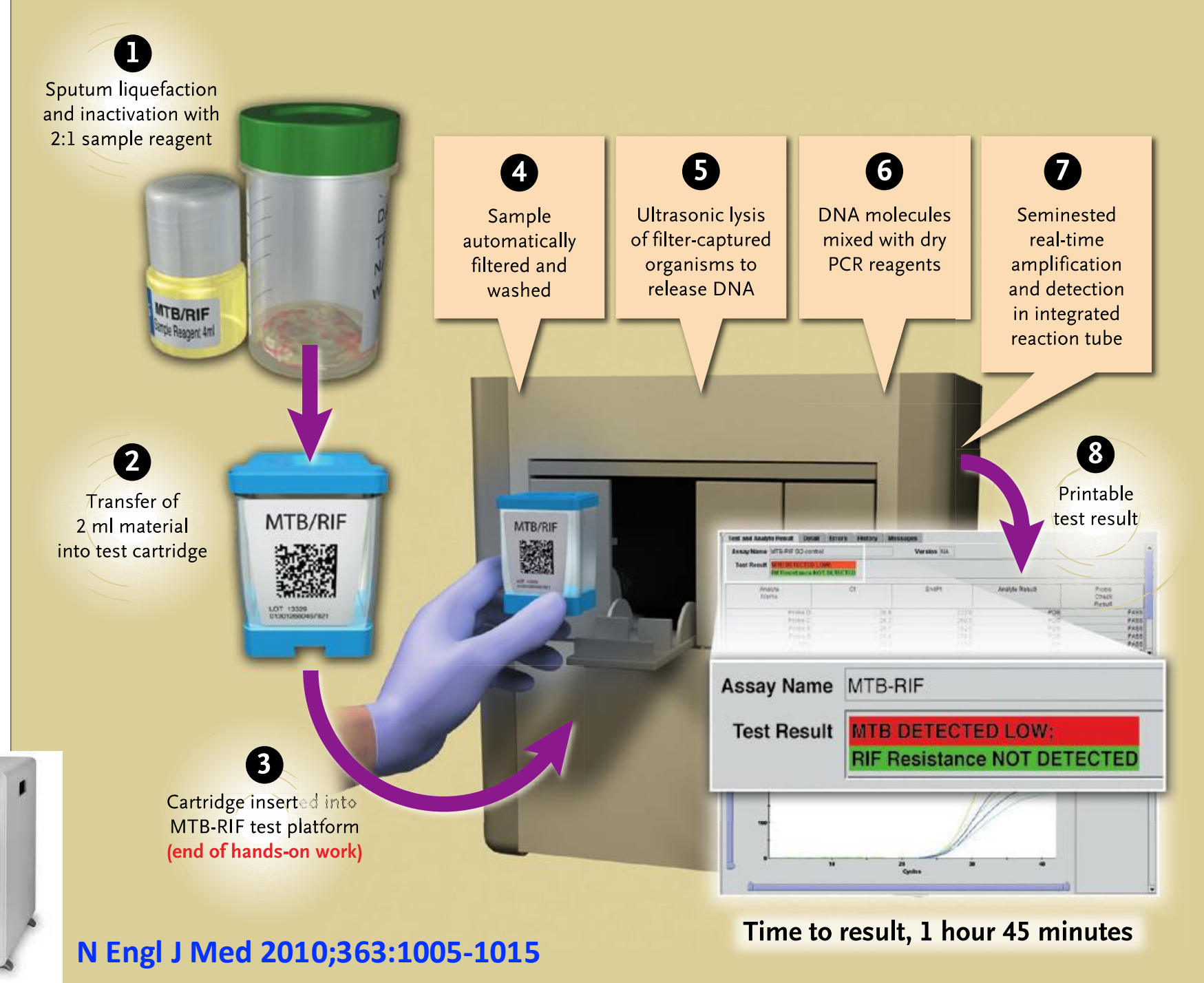
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# Xpert MTB/RIF assay

- Real-time TB PCR
- Sensitivity 97-99% on AFB smear+ sputum specimen in the U.S.
- Sensitivity 60-75% for AFB smear neg (culture +) specimens
- Specificity 98-99%



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# Treatment

- Started on “RIPE” plus pyridoxine (Vitamin B<sub>6</sub>) at Grady
  - Rifampin
  - Isoniazid
  - Pyrazinamide
  - Ethambutol
- When stable, discharged from the hospital to the “TB Motel” – housing program supported by Georgia DPH through the American Lung Association of Georgia
- DOT provided by the patient’s local health department

## !! AFB Culture Sputum # 1

Status: Final result Next appt: None

Test Result Released: Yes (not seen)

Specimen Information: SPUTUM

### 0 Result Notes

#### CULTURE REPORT

Mycobacterium tuberculosis complex !

Referred to State Lab (9/12/2023)

#### FLUOROCHROME STAIN, FS

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"Numerous 4+: >10 AFB/field (200x)" Acid fast bacilli seen

Corrected result: Previously reported as "Numerous 4+: >10 AFB/field (200x)" on 8/29/2023 at 1918 EDT.

Resulting Agency: MICRO

#### Susceptibility (Received 11/13/2023)

	Mycobacterium tuberculosis complex		
	Not Specified		
Ethambutol	5.0 mcg/mL	Sensitive	
Isoniazid	0.1 mcg/mL	Resistant	Isoniazid RESISTANT
Pyrazinamide	100 mcg/mL	Sensitive	
RIFAMPIN	1.0 mcg/mL	Sensitive	

≡ Linear View

#### Susceptibility Comments

Mycobacterium tuberculosis complex

0.4 micrograms/ml Isoniazid Susceptible

# Treatment Updated

- Regimen changed based on susceptibility test results
- RIPE (Rifampin, Isoniazid, Pyrazinamide, Ethambutol) changed to:
  - Rifampin
  - **Levofloxacin (in place of Isoniazid)**
  - Pyrazinamide
  - Ethambutol (discontinued after 2 months)
- Received 6 months of new regimen – cured (follow up AFB smears and cultures became negative by 2 months of therapy)

# Georgia TB Reference Guide



This app responds to clinicians' questions about tuberculosis infection, disease, and control. The standards and guidelines are based on the work and experience of the American Thoracic Society (ATS), the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the Infectious Disease Society of America (IDSA), Emory University, and the World Health Organization (WHO). This edition contains updated recommendations on the treatment of latent tuberculosis infection (LTBI) and treatment of active tuberculosis disease.

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# AMERICAN THORACIC SOCIETY DOCUMENTS

## Updates on the Treatment of Drug-Susceptible and Drug-Resistant Tuberculosis

### An Official ATS/CDC/ERS/IDSA Clinical Practice Guideline

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# Key Takeaways

- TB is the leading cause of death due to an infectious disease globally (10.8 million new cases in 2023, 1.25 million deaths)
- High clinical index of suspicion is needed, esp in the U.S.
- In the hospital: All (Airborne Infection Isolation) Precautions; initiate TB therapy if high index of suspicion! Also based on diagnostic tests.
- Diagnostic tests: AFB smear, culture & DST, TB PCR (Xpert MTB/RIF)
- Social Services Support available for unstably housed persons with TB
- Ensure follow up with local county health department for directly observed therapy (DOT)