

## CATTARAUGUS COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT



## **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 procedure for mailing. You will be responsible to mail the tick to the lab.

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

In addition, please realize that any laboratory test may result in false positives or false negatives. Also 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.

Upstate Tick Testing Lab Syracuse, NY www.nyticks.org

Tick Report
Amherst, MA
www.tickreport.com

ECO Laboratory Acton, MA www.ticktests.com

New Jersey Laboratories New Brunswick, NJ www.testticks.com Tick Research Lab of Pennsylvania East Stroudsburg, PA www.ticklab.org

Ticknology Fort Collins, CO www.ticknology.org

Analytical Services, Inc. Williston, VT www.analyticialservices.com

Connecticut Vet. Med. Diagnostic Lab Storrs, CT www.cvmdl.uconn.edu

**Tick Identification By Species:** 

Cattaraugus County Laboratory: \$15

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