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Feb. 18, 2026—The Food and Drug Administration has granted breakthrough device designation to the NG-Test *Candida auris* and NG-Test *Acineto-5* assays.



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[At USCAP, a close look at GI biomarkers](#)

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[Digital path practices reflected in latest](#)

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February 2026—The 2025 accreditation checklist edition, released December 9, includes revisions to address the use of digital pathology platforms in laboratories.



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[Close-up on traditional lab biomarkers for MS](#)

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February 2026—The 2024 revision of the 2017 McDonald criteria for diagnosing multiple sclerosis allows the kappa-free light chain index to replace oligoclonal band detection in cerebrospinal fluid analysis.



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[Lab reins in magnesium tests with decision support](#)

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February 2026—Washington University in St. Louis implemented a clinical decision support intervention to reduce unnecessary magnesium testing.



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[NTRK1-rearranged spindle cell sarcoma in an unusual location: molecular confirmation resolving a high-grade pediatric sarcoma differential](#)

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February 2026—A six-year-old boy presented with abdominal pain and was found to have a large mediastinal mass. Biopsy revealed a spindle cell sarcoma, and molecular testing identified an NTRK1 rearrangement, confirming the diagnosis of NTRK1-rearranged spindle cell sarcoma.



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[Pathologists, vendors talk LIS-IMS integration](#)

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February 2026—Cybersecurity and image management are key concerns for laboratories adopting

digital pathology and AI. While cloud-based systems offer enhanced security and scalability, onboarding new vendors and instruments remains challenging due to stringent security requirements and potential vulnerabilities.



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[CellaVision bone marrow aspirate application gets CE mark](#)

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February 2026—CellaVision’s bone marrow aspirate application has received the CE mark as a class C product under the European Union in vitro diagnostic regulation.



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[Octave, Quest expand access to Octave MSDA test](#)

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February 2026—Octave Bioscience is collaborating with Quest Diagnostics to make the Octave Multiple Sclerosis Disease Activity test accessible through Quest’s nationwide specimen-collection network.

BD launches new FacsDiscover A8 configurations

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February 2026—BD released new configurations of its FacsDiscover A8 cell analyzers.