

## Is bacterial testing right for you?

Answer these quick questions:

- Do your gums bleed when you brush or floss?
- Are you planning to get a dental implant—or already have one?
- Has your dentist told you that you have gum pockets deeper than 5mm?
- Have you tried gum disease treatment that hasn't worked?
- Do you have diabetes, heart disease, or another health condition linked to inflammation?
- Do you need antibiotics before dental visits (for joint or heart conditions)?

**If you answered "Yes"** to even one question, a bacterial test could help protect your smile and your health.

## Protect your smile. Protect your health.

One simple test can give you answers fast.

Ask your dental professional if **MicrobeLinkDX's bacterial testing** is right for you.

- Quick and painless
- Results in just 72 hours
- Personalized treatment plan



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## Bacteria in your mouth don't stay in your mouth

*Learn how our simple bacterial test may support both your oral and overall health.*



# Why oral bacteria matter

The health of your gums is closely connected to the health of your whole body. Harmful bacteria can travel through the bloodstream and put stress on your immune system.

Research links oral infections to:

- **Heart & Stroke:** Gum bacteria raise inflammation and heart risk.
- **Brain & Memory:** Linked with Alzheimer's and dementia.
- **Diabetes:** Makes blood sugar harder to control.
- **Pregnancy:** Linked to preterm and low-birthweight babies.
- **Lungs:** Breathing in bacteria worsens infections.



# Red, orange, green? What's your risk?

With science-backed insights, your dentist can choose the best treatment—sometimes even reducing the need for antibiotics.

Your report highlights bacteria by type and risk level:

- **Red Complex** – most harmful, linked to severe gum disease. Systemic connection: possible heart disease, rapid bone loss, heart infections and arterial plaque
- **Orange/Yellow Complex** – pave the way for harmful bacteria. Systemic connection: possible found in lungs, sinus infections, and bleeding pockets.
- **Green/Pink Complex** – opportunistic bacteria that complicate healing.

## 4 simple steps to protect your smile

1. **Collect** – Your dentist gently takes a small sample from your gums.
2. **Analyze** – The lab screens for 11 harmful bacteria.
3. **Report** – A clear, easy-to-read report is returned to your dentist within 72 hours.
4. **Plan** – Your dentist creates a customized treatment plan just for you.



## Dental implants & bacteria, creating a strong start

The same bacteria that cause gum disease can also infect implants (peri-implantitis) Testing early helps protect your investment.

A simple test before surgery:

- Finds hidden infections
- Ensures a clean foundation
- Helps your implant last longer