

Acid Fast Smear and Culture

Test ID: C6130

CPT: 87116, 87015

Clinical Significance:

Profile Components:



Labtech Diagnostics

Container:

Sterile collection container

Transport Temperature:

Critical refrigerate (CRF)

Specimen:

10 mL lower respiratory or body fluid sample

Specimen Stability:

Room temperature: Unacceptable
Refrigerated: 5 days
Frozen: Unacceptable

Reject Criteria:

- 24 hour pooled sputum
- Samples contaminated with tap water
- Specimens received in alcohol, formalin, or other preservatives

Days Performed:

Mon-Fri

Collection Instructions:

10 mL lower respiratory or body fluid sample in a sterile collection container. Clearly label container with sample source. Critical refrigerate (CRF).

For sputum, it is recommended to collect first morning sample on three (3) consecutive days for optimal recovery.

When multiple tests are ordered, submit separate sample for this test.