

Specimen Collection and Submission Instructions

PFGE (Version 1)

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Specimen Type	Collection Time	Collection Frequency	Collection Procedures	Transport Media	Shipping & Handling (S&H)**
Bacterial Culture other than <i>Campylobacter</i>	NA	NA	NA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Place in HIA slant sealed with parafilm. Isolate must be pure, fresh growth. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transport device: Please see Transport Media. Rejection Criteria: Please see general rejection criteria on page 2. Transport: Ship at ambient temperature. Storage: Store at ambient temperature.
Bacterial Culture of <i>Campylobacter jejuni</i>				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Commercial transport media or growth media inside microaerophilic transport conditions. <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Swab of fresh growth struck inside modified Cary-Blair and sealed with parafilm. Isolate must be pure, fresh growth. 	

General Rejection Criteria (for additional details, see S&H)

- Unaccepted specimen type.
- Leaky specimen.
- Did not obtain LHJ approval.
- Failure to follow specific S&H requirements.

NOTE:

Specimens will not be processed until ALL of the following information are provided on requisition form:

- Patient name, patient's county of residence, and second identifier.
- Two matching identifiers on both the tube and the laboratory requisition form.
- Specimen type, date of collection, and test requested.
- Submitter name, address, and telephone/FAX numbers.

Collection kit availability

Not available.

Comments