

Specimen Collection and Submission Instructions

Colistin-resistant Isolate (Version 2)

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Specimen Type	Collection Time	Collection Frequency	Collection Procedures	Transport Media	Shipping & Handling (S&H)*
<p>Isolates resistant to colistin (<u>except</u> for <i>Proteus</i>, <i>Providencia</i>, <i>Morganella</i>, and <i>Serratia spp.</i>, which are intrinsically resistant).</p> <p>AND:</p> <p><i>Acinetobacter</i> or <i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i>:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Resistant to imipenem, meropenem, or doripenem by standard susceptibility testing methods. Minimum inhibitory concentrations ≥ 8 $\mu\text{g/ml}$. 	NA	NA	NA	<p>Choc, HIA, BHI slant or plate.</p> <p>Note: Plate may be used <i>only</i> if transported by courier.</p>	<p>Transport device: Choc, HIA, BHI slant or plate. Note: Plate may be used <i>only</i> if transported by courier.</p> <p>Rejection Criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contaminated media. Does not meet testing criteria. Broken transport device. Leaking specimen. Requisition form/isolate discrepancies. <p>Transport: Ship at ambient temperature. Ship as Category B.</p> <p>Storage: Store at ambient temperature.</p>

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

- 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.
- Reason for testing at WAPHL.

Collection kit availability

Not available.

Comments

None.