







Culture Collection Guidelines

Test Name	Epic ID	Collection Device	Transport Conditions	Minimum Volume
Acid Fast Culture (non-blood) (aka AFB Culture or TB Culture)	LAB877	 <p>Sterile Container or Sputum Collection System (orange collection funnel should not be submitted to the lab)</p>	Room Temperature	Fluids: > 0.5mL Tissue: >1g Lower respiratory: 4mL Swabs are not acceptable for AFB Culture
Aerobic/Fungal/Wound Culture	Aerobic: LAB2133 Fungal: LAB240 Wound: LAB503	 <p>Sterile Container or Eswab</p>	Room Temperature	0.5ml
Anaerobic Culture	LAB233	 <p>Glass anaerobic transport container or Eswab</p>	Room Temperature	0.5ml
Lower Respiratory Culture	LAB900	 <p>Sterile Container or Sputum Collection System (orange collection funnel should not be submitted to the lab)</p>	Room Temperature	3ml
Streptococcus Group B Culture	LAB1377	 <p>Eswab</p>	Room Temperature	1 swab
Urine Culture	LAB239	 <p>Urine Gray Top</p>	Room Temperature	3mL

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