

***Mycobacterium tuberculosis*, Amplified Direct Test
#56033**

EXPLANATION: Due to the availability of an alternative assay with equivalent sensitivity, expanded specimen type options and reduced cost, test #56033, *Mycobacterium tuberculosis*, Amplified Direct Test, will become obsolete effective June 9, 2009.

RECOMMENDED ALTERNATIVE TEST: Test #88807, *Mycobacterium tuberculosis* Complex by Rapid PCR.

METHODOLOGY: Rapid PCR

REFERENCE VALUES: Negative (reported as positive or negative)

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENTS:

Submit only 1 of the following specimens:

Respiratory Specimen

Submit 1 mL from a respiratory specimen (eg, bronchoalveolar lavage fluid, bronchial washing, sputum) in a screw-capped, sterile container refrigerated. Maintain sterility and forward promptly.

Tissue

Send fresh tissue specimen (5 mm) in a screw-capped, sterile container refrigerated. Maintain sterility and forward promptly. The high sensitivity of amplification by PCR requires the specimen to be processed in an environment in which contamination of the specimen by *Mycobacterium tuberculosis* complex DNA is not likely.

Body Fluid or Urine

Submit 1 mL

Stool Specimen

Submit 5 grams

CPT CODE: 87556

ANALYTIC TIME: 1 DAY

LIST FEE: \$288.60

DAY(S) SET UP: MONDAY-FRIDAY

QUESTIONS: Contact your Mayo Medical Laboratories' Regional Manager
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