Reporting Title: Coccidioides PCR
Performing Location: Rochester

Specimen Requirements:

The high sensitivity of amplification by PCR requires the specimen to be processed in an environment in which contamination of the specimen by Coccidioides species DNA is not likely.

Forms: If not ordering electronically, submit a Microbiology Request Form (Supply T244) with the specimen.

Acceptable Specimens: Body fluid, cerebrospinal fluid, respiratory (eg, bronchoalveolar lavage fluid, bronchial washing, sputum), tissue (fresh or paraffin block) or bone

Unacceptable Specimens: Blood, bone marrow, specimen in anaerobe vial or viral transport medium (including but not limited to M4, M5, BD viral transport media, thioglycolate broth), stool, swab, tissue in formalin fluid, urine, specimen >7 days old (with the exception of paraffin tissue)

Specimen must arrive within 7 days of collection; specimen >7 days will be rejected.

Specimen source is required.

Submit only 1 of the following specimens:

Specimen Type: Body fluid
Sources: Body fluid or cerebrospinal fluid
Container/Tube: Sterile container
Specimen Volume: 1 mL
Specimen Stability Information: Refrigerated (preferred) 7 days/Ambient 7 days/Frozen 7 days

Specimen Type: Respiratory
Sources: Bronchoalveolar lavage fluid, bronchial washing, or sputum
Container/Tube: Sterile container
Specimen Volume: 1 mL
Specimen Stability Information: Refrigerated (preferred) 7 days/Ambient 7 days/Frozen 7 days

Specimen Type: Tissue
Sources: Fresh, paraffin, or bone
Container/Tube:
Preferred: Sterile container
Acceptable: Biopsy specimen of tissue fixed with formalin in a paraffin block
Specimen Volume: 5-10 mm
Collection Instructions: Block must be sent for sectioning.
Specimen Stability Information:
Fresh tissue: Refrigerated (preferred) 7 days/Ambient 7 days/Frozen 7 days
Fixed tissue (paraffin): Ambient (preferred)

Specimen Type	Temperature	Time
Varies	Varies	

Ask at Order Entry (AOE) Questions:

Test ID	Question ID	Description	Type	Reportable
CIMRP	SRC64	Specimen Source	Plain Text	Yes

Result Codes:

Result ID	Reporting Name	Type	Unit	LOINC®
SRC64	Specimen Source	Alphanumeric		31208-2
88804	Result	Alphanumeric		48588-8
28288	Special Information	Alphanumeric		48767-8
28289	Report Status	Alphanumeric		N/A

CPT Code: 1 × 87798

Reference Values:

Not applicable