

# **Test Definition: GEN**

Bacterial Culture, Aerobic

Reporting Title: Bacterial, Aerobic, Culture

Performing Location: Rochester

### **Specimen Requirements:**

Specimen must be received in laboratory within 24 hours of collection.

Specimen source is required; include the specific anatomic source. Indicate whether it is a "surface" or "deep/surgical" specimen.

Do not label only as "wound."

#### Preferred:

Specimen Type: Closed abscess Container/Tube: Sterile container Specimen Volume: Entire collection

Collection Instructions: Aspirate the abscess contents with a syringe.

Specimen Stability Information: Ambient

#### Acceptable:

Specimen Type: Open abscess, swab, tissue, or fluid

Sources: Abscess, aspirate, lesion, or wound

Container/Tube: Sterile container or culture transport swab

Collection Instructions: For most open lesions and abscesses, remove superficial flora by decontaminating skin before

collecting a specimen from advancing margin or base.

Additional Information:

- 1. If submitting a specimen from a source contaminated with usual flora, send at refrigerated temperature.
- 2. Refrigerated specimens are not suitable for isolation of Neisseria species.

Specimen Stability Information: Ambient

Specimen Type	Temperature	Time
Varies	Varies (see instructions)	24 hours

## Ask at Order Entry (AOE) Questions:

Test ID	Question ID	Description	Туре	Reportable
GEN	Q00M0027	Specimen Source	Plain Text	No



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## **Result Codes:**

Result ID	Reporting Name	Туре	Unit	LOINC®
GEN	Bacterial Culture, Aerobic	Alphanumeric		

**CPT Code:** 1 × 87070

**Reference Values:** 

No growth or usual flora Identification of probable pathogens