

Reporting Title: Bacterial Typing

Performing Location: Rochester

Specimen Requirements:

Container/Tube: Agar slant

Specimen Volume: Isolates on separate agar slants

Collection Instructions:

1. Individually bag each PFGE specimen, then place all PFGE specimens (all patients and/or sites to be compared) together in a large bag, and send in the same shipping container. This is necessary for comparison of isolates by this method.

2. Label as etiologic agents.

Additional Information:

1. Organism identification and specimen source are required.

2. Each slant must be submitted under a separate order.

3. Original isolates should be saved at the client site if additional PFGE testing will be needed.

4. See Infectious Material in Special Instructions.

Specimen Type	Temperature	Time
Varies	Ambient (preferred)	
	Refrigerated	

Ask at Order Entry (AOE) Questions:

Test ID	Question ID	Description	Type	Reportable
PFGE	Q00M0047	Specimen Source (Required) and Organism Identification (Required)	Plain Text	No

Result Codes:

Result ID	Reporting Name	Type	Unit	LOINC®
PFGE	Bacterial Typing	Alphanumeric	mL	

CPT Code: 1 × 87152



Reference Values:

Reported as isolates from these sources are "indistinguishable" or "different" by PFGE. Results will be faxed to the client.