

Bordetella pertussis/parapertussis DNA, Qualitative Real-Time PCR

Order Name: BOR P PCR
Test Number: 5568100
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TEST NAME			METHODOLOGY	LOINC CODE	
Bordetella pertussis DNA			Polymerase Chain Reaction	23826-1	
Bordetella parapertussis DNA			Polymerase Chain Reaction	29723-4	
SPECIMEN REQU	IREMENTS				
Specimen	Specimen Volume (min)	Specimen Type	Specimen Container	Transport Environment	
Preferred	See Instructions	Swab	Flocked Flexible Mini-Tip Nasopharyngeal Swab	Refrigerated	
Alternate 1	See Instructions	Nasal Wash	Sterile Screwtop Container	Refrigerated	
Instructions	USE ONE OF TWO COLLECTION METHODS: 1) Universal Transport Media (UTM) with mini-Flocked Swab (Comes as a kit: Supply# 50775). Collect a nasopharyngeal specimen leaving the swab in place for a few seconds to absorb secretions. Swab both nostrils and place swab immediately into a single sterile common UTM container KEEP REFRIGERATED (Alternate Swab: AMIES Blue Cap Swab in UTM - Refrigerated.) 2) Nasopharyngeal Aspirates (Collect in the Physician's office): Flush each nostril with 1mL to 1.5ml of Nonbacteriostatic Saline (pH 7.0) - Collect the drainage from each nostril into a common sterile container KEEP REFRIGERATED				
	Caution: DO NOT use Calcium Alginate Swabs or ESwabs as they will inhibit PCR testing. DO NOT put Swabs in Charcoal Transport Media.				
	Specimen Stability: Nasopharyngeal swab Room temperature: 7 Day, Refrigerated: 7 Day, Frozen: 30 Day				
Nasopharyngeal aspirate Room temperature: 48 Hour, Refrigerated: 8 Day, Frozen: 30 Day					

GENERAL INFORMATION		
Testing Schedule	Mon, Wed, Fri	
Expected TAT	2-3 days	
Notes	Bordetella pertussis is the cause of whooping cough that may occur in unimmunized individuals. B. parapertussis is a related organism that causes a similar but milder disease. Laboratory diagnosis may require both culture and serological confirmation although culture is difficult.	
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