

## Aerobic Culture and Stain

Order Name: **C WOUN RTS**  
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TEST NAME	METHODOLOGY	LOINC CODE
Aerobic Culture and Stain	Culture	

### SPECIMEN REQUIREMENTS

Specimen	Specimen Volume (min)	Specimen Type	Specimen Container	Transport Environment
Preferred	1mL	Tissue or Fluid	Sterile Screwtop Container	Room Temperature
Alternate 1	1 Swab	Swab	Copan eSwab - White (Regular size)	Room Temperature
Alternate 2	1 Swab	Swab	Copan eSwab - Green (Mini-tip)	Room Temperature

**Instructions**

Fluids and tissues are preferred for optimal recovery of pathogens. If a swab is utilized for collection, clean surface of lesions with alcohol first. Transport to the lab as soon as possible. Swab specimens should arrive within 2 days of collection. Specimens should be stored and transported at room temperature.

Dry swabs, specimens in non-sterile transport devices, viral media, formalin (or formalin containers), alcohol, or refrigerated and/or frozen specimens are unacceptable. Specimens submitted in EDTA are unacceptable for culture.

### GENERAL INFORMATION

Testing Schedule	Daily
Expected TAT	3 Days
Clinical Use	Aerobic culture for determining bacterial pathogens from wound, tissue and sterile fluid sites.
Notes	Sensitivities done on isolates considered pathogens.
CPT Code(s)	87070, 87205

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