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### Test Order

## SARS-CoV-2, Influenza (A/B) and RSV Real-time PCR

Synonym(s)	SARS_COV-2 -Influenza A&B and RSV PCR
Methodology	Real-time polymerase chain reaction (PCR)
Acceptable Specimen Type(s) for Testing	Nasopharyngeal swab and anterior nares (nasal) swab
Transport / Collection Medium	Specimens can be submitted in Universal Transport media (UTM), Universal Viral Transport Media (UVT), Saline.
Storage and Preservation of Specimen	Specimens can be stored at room temperature (15-30°C) for 48 hours if collected in VTM, saline. Alternatively, specimens can be stored refrigerated (2–8 °C) up to seven days.
Minimum Volume Required	3 mL
Additional Collection Instructions	
Additional Required Information	Two patient identifiers are required on the specimen.
Send Out?	No
Turnaround Time	24-48hrs
Testing Restrictions	
Requisition Form(s)	Please submit specimens through Apollo Web. Please contact the laboratory for on-boarding instructions at 415-554-2800
Limitations / Notes / Disclaimers	

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