

CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO PUBLIC HEALTH LABORATORY

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Test Order

Culture for Identification (Special Pathogens)

Synonym(s)	
Methodology	Culture, biochemical identification, MALDI-TOF, 16s sequencing
Acceptable Specimen Type(s) for Testing	Pure isolates
Transport / Collection Medium	Transport in tubed media, packaged and sealed according to regulations.
Storage and Preservation of Specimen	Refrigerate until transported to the laboratory. Transport at room temperature.
Minimum Volume Required	N/A
Additional Collection Instructions	N/A
Additional Required Information	Laboratory identification results, laboratory findings, and patient clinical history required.
Send Out?	Yes
Turnaround Time	Up to 8 weeks
Testing Restrictions	Patient clinical history required.
Requisition Form(s)	http://sfcdcp.org/document.html?id=1036
Limitations / Notes / Disclaimers	

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