

HOTLINE: Effective February 18, 2020

0050206 *Treponema pallidum* (VDRL), Cerebrospinal Fluid with Reflex to Titer

VDRL CSF

Specimen Required: Collect: CSF.

<u>Specimen Preparation:</u> Transfer 0.5 mL CSF to an ARUP Standard Transport Tube. (Min: 0.4 mL) <u>Storage/Transport Temperature:</u> Refrigerated. <u>Unacceptable Conditions:</u> Other body fluids. Contaminated, hemolyzed, xanthochromic, or severely lipemic specimens. <u>Stability (collection to initiation of testing)</u>: Ambient: 48 hours; Refrigerated: 2 weeks; Frozen: 1 year (avoid repeated freeze/thaw cycles)