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Toxoplasma gondii by PCR

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Specimen Required: Collect: Lavender (EDTA), pink (K2EDTA) or serum separator tube. **OR** Amniotic fluid, CSF, ocular fluid or tissue.

Specimen Preparation: Separate serum or plasma from cells. Transfer 1 mL serum, plasma, amniotic fluid, CSF or ocular fluid to a sterile container. (Min: 0.5 mL) **OR Tissue:** Transfer to a sterile container and freeze immediately.

Storage/Transport Temperature: Frozen.

Remarks: Specimen source required.

Unacceptable Conditions: Heparinized specimens, **tissues in optimal cutting temperature compound.**

Stability (collection to initiation of testing): **Tissue:** Ambient: Unacceptable; Refrigerated: Unacceptable; Frozen: 3 months

All Others: Ambient: 8 hours; Refrigerated: 5 days; Frozen: 3 months