

TEST CHANGE

Pneumocystis jirovecii DFA

0060052, PNEUMST

Specimen Requirements:

Patient Preparation:

Collect: Respiratory specimen: Bronchial washing, bronchoalveolar lavage (BAL), or induced sputum.

Specimen Preparation: Transfer 5 mL respiratory specimen to a sterile container. (Min: 0.5 mL) Place each specimen in an individually sealed bag.

Transport Temperature: Refrigerated.

Unacceptable Conditions: Tissues. Formalinized specimens. Slides or swabs.

Remarks: Specimen source preferred.

Stability: Ambient: 2 hours; Refrigerated: 1 week; Frozen: Unacceptable

Methodology: Direct Fluorescent Antibody Stain

Performed: Sun-Sat

Reported: 1-2 days
Within 24 hours

Note: A negative stain result does not exclude the possibility of infection. False-negative results may occur due to sampling errors or a low number of organisms in the specimen.

CPT Codes: 87015; 87281

New York DOH Approval Status: This test is New York DOH approved.

Interpretive Data:

Reference Interval:

Negative