
0060113***Legionella Species, Culture*****MC LEGION****Performed:** Sun-Sat**Reported:** Negative at 8 days
Positives as soon as detected

Specimen Required: Collect: Respiratory specimens: Abscess material, aspirates, BAL, fluids, secretions, sputum, or tissue; **OR** pericardial fluid or blood in SPS Vacutainer® tube for microbiology (ARUP supply #24964). Available online through eSupply using ARUP Connect™ or contact ARUP Client Services at (800) 522-2787.

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

Tissue: Place on gauze moistened with sterile nonbacteriostatic saline to prevent drying and transport in sterile container.

Blood: Transport blood in SPS tube.

Storage/Transport Temperature: Refrigerated. For nonblood specimens: If delay in transport (greater than 48 hours), transport frozen.

Remarks: Specimen source preferred.

Unacceptable Conditions: Stool, urine, wounds, or other nonrespiratory sites. Dry specimens. Specimens in preservatives or viral transport medium (M4, UTM).

Stability (collection to initiation of testing): Ambient: 2 hours; Refrigerated: 48 hours; Frozen: 1 week