
0060256 *Mycoplasma pneumoniae* by PCR**MPNEUMOPCR**

Specimen Required: Collect: Respiratory specimen: Bronchoalveolar lavage (BAL), bronchial brushings, nasopharyngeal swab, sputum, tracheal aspirates or pleural fluid. **OR** CSF.

Specimen Preparation: **CSF:** Transfer 1 mL CSF to a sterile container. (Min: 0.5 mL).

Fluid: Transfer 2 mL respiratory specimen to a sterile container. (Min: 0.5 mL) Also acceptable: Transfer to viral transport media (ARUP supply #12884). Available online through eSupply using ARUP Connect™ or contact ARUP Client Services at (800) 522-2787

Swabs: Place in viral transport media. Place each specimen in an individually sealed bag.

Storage/Transport Temperature: Frozen.

Remarks: Specimen source required.

Unacceptable Conditions: **Tissues in optimal cutting temperature compound.**

Stability (collection to initiation of testing): Ambient: 24 hours; Refrigerated: 5 days; Frozen: 1 year.