

HOTLINE: Effective February 1, 2021

3000265 Aspergillus Species by PCR ASPERPCR

Specimen Required: Collect: Bronchoalveolar lavage (BAL), bronchial wash, sputum, or tissue.

Specimen Preparation: Transfer 1 mL bronchoalveolar lavage (BAL), bronchial wash, sputum to a sterile container. (Min: 0.9 mL)

Tissue: Transfer tissue to a sterile container and freeze immediately.

<u>Storage/Transport Temperature:</u> Frozen. <u>Remarks:</u> Specimen source required.

<u>Unacceptable Conditions:</u> Tissues in optimal cutting temperature compound.

Stability (collection to initiation of testing): Tissue: Ambient: Unacceptable; Refrigerated: 2 weeks; Frozen: 2 weeks

All Others: Ambient: 2 weeks; Refrigerated: 2 weeks; Frozen: 2 weeks