

NEW TEST

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Coccidioides by PCR

3016687, COCCI PCR

Specimen Requirements:

Patient Preparation:

Collect: Bronchoalveolar lavage (BAL), sputum, CSF, tissue

Specimen Preparation: Transfer 1 mL bronchoalveolar lavage (BAL), sputum or CSF to a sterile container (Min: 0.5 mL). Tissue: Transfer to a sterile container and freeze immediately.

Transport Temperature: Frozen

Unacceptable Conditions: Paraffin-embedded tissue (FFPE), serum, plasma, whole blood.

Remarks: Specimen source required

Stability: Respiratory and CSF: Ambient: 14 days; Refrigerated: 14 days; Frozen: 14 days Tissue: Ambient: Unacceptable; Refrigerated: 14 days; Frozen: 14 days

Methodology: Qualitative Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR)

Performed: Sun-Sat

Reported: 1-3 days

Note: This test detects but does not differentiate *C. immitis* and *C. posadasii*.

CPT Codes: 87798

New York DOH Approval Status: Specimens from New York clients will be sent out to a New York DOH approved laboratory, if possible.

Interpretive Data:

Reference Interval:

Test Number	Components	Reference Interval

HOTLINE NOTE: Refer to the Hotline Test Mix for interface build information.



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