

Anaerobic Culture

Order Name: C WOUN AN

Test Number: 6000050

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TEST NAME	METHODOLOGY	LOINC CODE
Anaerobic Culture	Culture	635-3

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENTS				
Specimen	Specimen Volume (min)	Specimen Type	Specimen Container	Transport Environment
Preferred	2mL (1)	Tissue or Fluid	Sterile Screwtop Container	Room Temperature
Alternate 1	1 Swab	Swab	Copan eSwab - White (Regular size)	Room Temperature
Alternate 2	1 Swab	Swab	Copan eSwab - Green (Mini-tip)	Room Temperature
Instructions	<p>Regular size applicator Copan eSwab - White</p> <p>Avoid skin surfaces, mouth, oral, anal, and vaginal areas which have normal anaerobic flora. Clean surface of lesions with alcohol.</p> <p>Fluid and tissue specimens are preferred over swab collections for optimal recovery of pathogens.</p> <p>Transport to the lab as soon as possible. Swab specimens should arrive within 2 days of collection.</p> <p>Stool and sputum specimens are not acceptable for anaerobic culture. Specimens submitted in EDTA are unacceptable for culture</p>			

GENERAL INFORMATION	
Testing Schedule	Daily
Expected TAT	4-14 days, depending on specific source indicated
Clinical Use	Determines presence or absence of anerobic bacteria in culture.
CPT Code(s)	87075
Lab Section	Microbiology