

Blood Culture - 1st Aerobic/Anaerobic

Order Name: **C BLD 1ST**

Test Number: 6000200

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TEST NAME	METHODOLOGY	LOINC CODE
Blood Culture - 1st Aerobic/Anaerobic	Culture	

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENTS				
Specimen	Specimen Volume (min)	Specimen Type	Specimen Container	Transport Environment
Preferred	See Instructions	See Instructions	See Instructions	Room Temperature
Instructions	<b>BOTH : Bactec Standard/10 Aerobic (blue) and Standard/10 Anaerobic (yellow) blood culture bottles.</b> 15 mL (10 mL into blue bottle and 5 ml into yellow). <b>Container Preparation:</b> Bottle top(s) must be cleaned with alcohol prior to addition of specimen. <b>Specimen Collection:</b> Clean venipuncture site with Betadine or ChloroPrep, and allow the site to air dry. Avoid palpating vein after cleansing step, use aseptic technique. Short draws should be avoided. Aseptically dispensing the recommended volume of blood is essential for optimal pathogen recovery.			

GENERAL INFORMATION	
Testing Schedule	Daily
Expected TAT	5 Days
Clinical Use	Blood cultures help determine sepsis and bacteremia in the patient's blood stream. Two blood cultures from different sites is the recommended procedure.
CPT Code(s)	87040
Lab Section	Microbiology