

Chlamydia trachomatis Culture

Order Name: **C Chlam Trachom**  
Test Number: 5613593  
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TEST NAME	METHODOLOGY	LOINC CODE
Chlamydia trachomatis Culture		

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENTS				
Specimen	Specimen Volume (min)	Specimen Type	Specimen Container	Transport Environment
Preferred		Swab	Swab	Refrigerated
Instructions	<p><b>Specimen Type:</b> Viral, Chlamydia, or Mycoplasma culture transport provided by LabCorp, or other appropriate transport medium</p> <p><b>Specimen Storage:</b> Transport and store at room temperature for up to 24 hours after specimen is placed into UTM-RT medium, or refrigerate.</p> <p><b>Specimen Collection:</b> URETHRA: Patient should not urinate within one hour prior to specimen collection. The swab should be inserted 2 cm into the urethra. Use firm pressure to scrape cells from the mucosal surface. If possible repeat with second swab. CERVIX: Remove mucus/pus with a swab, discard, and use firm and rotating pressure to obtain specimen with another swab. May be combined with a urethral swab into same transport medium. This combination of cervical and urethral method is highly recommended. RECTUM: Sample anal crypts with a swab. Avoid contamination with fecal material. CONJUNCTIVA: Remove mucus and exudate. Use a swab and firm pressure to scrape away epithelial cells from upper and lower lids. POSTERIOR NASOPHARYNX or THROAT: Collect epithelial cells by using a swab.</p> <p><b>Special Instructions:</b> Submit one specimen per test requested. Specify the exact specimen source/origin (eg, genital lesion). Indicate a specific test number on the request form. Check expiration date of transport; do not use expired devices. Do not use swabs with a wooden shaf</p>			

GENERAL INFORMATION	
Expected TAT	3-5 days from set up
Performing Labcorp Test Code	008565
Notes	Labcorp Test Code: 008565
Lab Section	Reference Lab