Acid Fast Smear LC 008618

Order Name: **C AF ST LC**
Test Number: 6200101
Revision Date: 08/04/2026

TEST NAME	METHODOLOGY	LOINC CODE
Acid Fast Smear LC 008618	Microscopy	

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENTS

Specimen	Specimen Volume (min)	Specimen Type	Specimen Container	Transport Environment
Preferred	**See Instructions**	**See Instructions**	**See Instructions**	**Refrigerated**
Alternate 1	**5-10 mL (2)**	**Respiratory specimen**	**Sputum Collection Container**	**Room Temperature**

Instructions

Sputum - Refrigerated: Sputum, bronchial washing/lavage, tissue, body fluid, stool, skin, urine, cerebrospinal fluid, bone marrow, microscope slide prepared during specimen collection procedures for bronchial brushes only.
Container: Sterile container(1) with tight screw-cap seal, green-top (sodium heparin) or Isolator (TM) for bone marrow; sterile container or a securely sealed slide holder for pre-inoculated microscope slide (bronchial brush ONLY). Note: Please refer to the Microbiology specimen collection chart.
Volume: 5-10 mL sputum, bronchoalveolar lavage (BAL) or other respiratory specimen; 10 mL whole blood; 2 cm^3 tissue; 5 mL CSF; 5-10 mL bone marrow (or as much as possible); 5-10 mL body fluid (pleural, pericardial, chronic peritoneal dialysate); 5-10 mL gastric aspirate/lavage (neutralized to pH 7 with sodium carbonate within 4 hours of collection); 20-40 mL urine (first morning specimen); 5 mL or 1 g stool; biopsy of skin
Minimum volume: 2 mL (respiratory specimen, body fluid, CSF, gastric aspirate/lavage); 20 mL urine.
Stability: Refrigerated 7 days

GENERAL INFORMATION

Testing Schedule	Daily
Expected TAT	3-5 Days
Clinical Use	Fluorescent stain to detect presence of Mycobacteria sp.
Performing Labcorp Test Code	008618
Notes	**Methodology:** Fluorescent Stain (Direct Kinyoun stain for bone marrow ONLY). **Link to test Changes for this assay Effective 08/03/2026** **08-03-2026_LiveWire.pdf (Updated version)**
CPT Code(s)	CPT 87206 (With possible Reflexes to multiples of 87176, 87015)
Lab Section	Reference Lab