

### Ordering Recommendations

- Refer to [Ordering Recommendations for Clinical Microbiology Testing](#) webpage to ensure specimen and requisition requirements are met prior to collection

### Specimen #1 Requirements

Type	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hair</li> </ul>
Container	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Preferred Collection Container: <u>Sterile, Wide-mouth screw-cap</u></li> </ul>
Collection Procedure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Clinical Microbiology Specimen Collection Guidelines</a></li> <li>• Do NOT add formalin</li> </ul>
Stability/Storage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Store at room temperature until transported to laboratory</li> </ul>
Grounds for Rejection	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Rejection Criteria of Clinical Microbiology Specimens</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Pathology and Laboratory Medicine Acceptance and Rejection Criteria</a></li> </ul>

### Specimen #2 Requirements

Type	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Insects (Lice, ticks, other)</li> </ul>
Container	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Preferred Collection Container: <u>Sterile, Wide-mouth screw-cap</u></li> </ul>
Collection Procedure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Place insect inside sterile container</li> <li>• Do NOT add formalin</li> <li>• 70% alcohol may be added to collection container if available</li> </ul>
Stability/Storage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Store at room temperature until transported to laboratory</li> </ul>
Grounds for Rejection	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Rejection Criteria of Clinical Microbiology Specimens</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Pathology and Laboratory Medicine Acceptance and Rejection Criteria</a></li> </ul>

### Specimen #3 Requirements

Type	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Skin scraping (scabies)</li> </ul>
Collection Procedure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Clinical Microbiology Specimen Collection Guidelines</a></li> </ul>
Stability/Storage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Store at room temperature until transported to laboratory</li> </ul>
Grounds for Rejection	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Rejection Criteria of Clinical Microbiology Specimens</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Pathology and Laboratory Medicine Acceptance and Rejection Criteria</a></li> </ul>

<b>Testing Information</b>	
Availability	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Division of Clinical Microbiology Laboratory Hours of Operation</u></li> </ul>
Testing Site	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bacteriology Laboratory, RUH</li> </ul>
Results Reporting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Anticipated Reporting Times for Clinical Microbiology Results</u></li> <li>• <u>Critical and Semi-Urgent Values Notification Chart for Clinical Microbiology</u></li> </ul>
Clinical Interpretation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Methodology and Clinical Interpretation for Microbiology Testing</u></li> </ul>
Specimen Retention	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Specimen Retention Times for Clinical Microbiology</u></li> </ul>
<b>Test Ordering Requirements</b>	
Forms Required	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Bacteriology/Mycology/TB/ Parasitology Requisition Form #101063</u></li> <li>• <u>Community Laboratory Requisition Form #101064</u></li> </ul>