

Ordering Recommendations

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

Specimen Requirements

Type	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Feces
Container	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Preferred Collection Container: SAF Fixative for Ova and Parasites
Collection Procedure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clinical Microbiology Specimen Collection Guidelines Completed Travel History sheet
Required Volume	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Optimal Volume: 3 mL of liquid stool or 3 scoops of formed stool Minimum Volume: 1 mL of liquid stool or 1 scoop of formed stool
Stability/Storage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Store at room temperature Specimen stable for 1 week at room temperature
Grounds for Rejection	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rejection Criteria of Clinical Microbiology Specimens Pathology and Laboratory Medicine Acceptance and Rejection Criteria

Testing Information

Availability	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Division of Clinical Microbiology Laboratory Hours of Operation
Testing Site	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bacteriology Laboratory, RUH
Results Reporting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Anticipated Reporting Times for Clinical Microbiology Results Critical and Semi-Urgent Values Notification Chart for Clinical Microbiology
Clinical Interpretation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Methodology and Clinical Interpretation for Microbiology Testing
Specimen Retention	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Specimen Retention Times for Clinical Microbiology

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Forms Required	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bacteriology/Mycology/TB/ Parasitology Requisition Form #101063 Community Laboratory Requisition Form #101064 Ova and Parasite History Sheet
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