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The Aga Khan University Hospital  
Clinical Laboratories

### Specimen Collection and Transportation Information

Test Name	Mnemonic	Section	Specimen Type
Beta-D-Glucan	BDG	Clinical Microbiology	Bronchial Lavage/Serum/Clotted Blood

- **Preparation of the Patient:** NA
- **Type of Collection Container:** Sterile Container/Gel tube
- **Types and Amounts of Preservatives or Anticoagulants:** NA
- **Quantity of Specimen to be Collected:** 3-5cc
  - **Minimum Quantity:** 3cc
- **Transportation Temperature:** Room temp
- **Need for Special Timing for Collection (where applicable):** before next dose of antibiotic/antifungal
- **Specimen Stability Information:** If delay in between 2-4hrs at Room temp. If delay more than 4 hrs. at refrigerated temp
- **Special Instruction:** submit BAL immediately. Collect with talc free gloves
- **Rejection Criteria:** Unsterile container /Hemolysed/Turbid serum
- **Need for Appropriate Clinical Data, When Indicated (Patient history):** Required

Methodology	Reporting Scheme	Day Performed	Cut Off Time Main Lab	Cut Off Time Karachi Points	Cut Off Time Out of Karachi Points
EIA (Enzyme immunoassay)	Wednesday & Friday	Tuesday and Friday	00.01	10.00	Contact nearest Collection Point