



آغا خان یونیورسٹی ہسپتال

The Aga Khan University Hospital
Clinical Laboratories

Specimen Collection and Transportation Information

Test Name	Mnemonic	Section	Specimen Type
Fine Needle Aspiration Cytology	FNACP	Histopathology	Aspirated Fluid Samples / Slides

- **Preparation of the Patient:** Prepare patient for procedure as per policy
- **Type of Collection Container:** Slides in slide mailer and sample in syringe
- **Types and Amounts of Preservatives or Anticoagulants:** Aspiration in alcohol and spray (95% alcohol) fixed slides
- **Quantity of Specimen to be Collected:** Aspirate as material as possible
 - **Minimum Quantity:** NA
- **Transportation Temperature:** Room temperature
- **Need for Special Timing for Collection (where applicable):** NA
- **Specimen Stability Information:** NA
- **Special Instruction:** Slides should be properly / adequately prepared (3 alcohol fixed and 1 dry) for each attempt
- **Rejection Criteria:** Unsatisfactory Smear preparation or insufficient quantity
- **Need for Appropriate Clinical Data, When Indicated (Patient history):** Complete clinical information, previous surgeries etc.

Methodology	Reporting Scheme	Day Performed	Cut Off Time Main Lab	Cut Off Time Karachi Points	Cut Off Time Out of Karachi Points
Cytology	after 04 working days	all Days except Sunday	Daily before 4:00 pm and Public holidays (before 3:00 pm)	NA	Coordinate with stat labs