



**Specimen Collection and Transportation Information**

Test Name	Mnemonic	Section	Specimen Type
Giardia Antigen	GA	Clinical Microbiology	Fresh Stool

- **Preparation of the Patient:** NA
- **Type of Collection Container:** Wide mouth D/R container
- **Types and Amounts of Preservatives or Anticoagulants:** NA
- **Quantity of Specimen to be Collected:** 5 ml of diarrheal stool, 1 g of material or a walnut-sized portion of stool
  - **Minimum Quantity:** As above
- **Transportation Temperature:** Room temperature
- **Need for Special Timing for Collection (where applicable):** NA
- **Specimen Stability Information:** If delay in between 2-4hrs at Room temp, If delay more than 4 hrs. at refrigerated temp
- **Special Instruction:** NA
- **Rejection Criteria:** Sample in formalin
- **Need for Appropriate Clinical Data, When Indicated (Patient history):** Not Required

Methodology	Reporting Scheme	Day Performed	Cut Off Time Main Lab	Cut Off Time Karachi Points	Cut Off Time Out of Karachi Points
ELISA	Done on 1st & 3rd Thu, Reported Next Day (Following Friday)	1st & 3rd Thursday of month	00.01	10.00	Contact nearest Collection Point