## **Specimen Collection and Transportation Information**

Test Name	Mnemonic	Section	<b>Specimen Type</b>
OVA & Parasites Identification	SDR / PI	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: specimens with PVA, formalin also accepted
- Quantity of Specimen to be Collected: 5 ml of diarrheal stool, 1g of material or a walnut-sized portion of stool, parasite in container
  - Minimum Quantity: As above
- Transportation Temperature: Room temperature
- Need for Special Timing for Collection (where applicable): 3 specimens every third day or within 10 days span are recommended. Contact Microbiology consultant if testing from inpatient is required after day 4 of hospitalization
- Specimen Stability Information: Room temperature
- Special Instruction: NA
- Rejection Criteria: more than one specimen from same patient in one day
- Need for Appropriate Clinical Data, When Indicated (Patient history): Not required

Methodology	Reporting	Day	Cut Off Time	Cut Off Time	Cut Off Time Out
	Scheme	Performed	Main Lab	Karachi Points	of Karachi Points
Microscopic Examination	Within 24 Hours	Daily	00.01	10.00	Contact nearest Collection Point