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Clinical Laboratories

Specimen Collection and Transportation Information

Test Name	Mnemonic	Section	Specimen Type
Stool Culture & Sensitivity	SCS	Clinical Microbiology	Fresh stool

- **Preparation of the Patient:** NA
- **Type of Collection Container:** Cary Blair media or wide mouth D/R container
- **Types and Amounts of Preservatives or Anticoagulants:** NA
- **Quantity of Specimen to be Collected:** 5ml of diarrheal stool, 1g 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):** 3 consecutive samples with one sample per day are recommended. Contact Microbiology consultant if testing from inpatient is required after day 3 of hospitalization
- **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, more than one sample from same patient in one day
- **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
Culture & Sensitivity	After 3 day	Daily	00.01	10.00	Contact nearest Collection Point