








Commonly Ordered Infectious Disease Testing for Ocular Specimens

Testing	Epic Test Code	Specimen Type	Collection Device	
Bacterial culture (aerobic) Fungal culture	LAB7379 LAB7009	Ocular swab*		ESwab with Mini Tip Swab
Bacterial culture (aerobic)*	Miscellaneous culture order	Contact lens		ESwab (Discard swab)
Bacterial culture (aerobic & anaerobic)	LAB7035	Corneal Scraping (see above if swab)		ESwab w/out swab
Fungal culture	LAB7009	Ocular fluid		Sterile Screw-cap Container
<u>Molecular</u> [#] HSV PCR VZV PCR CMV PCR Toxoplasma PCR	LAB4885 LAB4884 LAB4902 LAB4905	Ocular fluid		Sterile Screw-cap Container
HSV PCR VZV PCR	LAB4885 LAB4884	Ocular swab		Universal Transport Media (1 mL)
Gonorrhea and Chlamydia PCR	LAB4887	Ocular swab		Aptima Unisex Swab
Acanthamoeba culture [^]	LAB7024	Ocular swab Cornea Contact Lens		Page's Saline (Discard swab for contact lens)

• To obtain supplies for testing, call the microbiology laboratory at 314-362-3898.

* Separate ESwabS are required if both bacterial and fungal cultures are ordered.

[^] Separate saline tubes are required for EACH specimen type.

[#] For additional molecular testing (e.g. broad range sequencing), contact Laboratory Medicine Resident for information (314-747-1320, option 3).