

Notification Date: October 10, 2023 Effective Date: Immediately

Metamycoplasma hominis, Molecular Detection, PCR, Varies

Test ID: MHRP

Explanation: Respiratory fluid and body fluid specimens submitted for this test will no longer be accepted if sent in viral transport media (VTM). These fluids should be transported in a sterile container not containing media.

Current Fluid Specimen Requirement

Specimen Type: Fluid

Supplies: M4-RT (T605)

Sources: Pelvic, peritoneal, amniotic, prostatic secretions, semen, reproductive drainage or fluid, pleural/chest, chest tube, pericardial, sputum, tracheal secretions, bronchial washings, bronchoalveolar lavage, lung; or nasal washings (only infants <3 months)

Container/Tube:

Preferred: Sterile container

Acceptable: Container with 3 mL of transport media: M4, M4-RT, M5, M6, or

universal transport media

Specimen Volume: 1 to 2 mL

New Fluid Specimen Requirement

Specimen Type: Fluid

Sources: Pelvic, peritoneal, amniotic, prostatic secretions, semen, reproductive drainage or fluid, pleural/chest, chest tube, pericardial

Container/Tube: Sterile container

Specimen Volume: 1 to 2 mL

Specimen Type: Respiratory

Sources: Sputum, tracheal secretions, bronchial washings, bronchoalveolar lavage, lung; or nasal washings (Note: Nasal washings may only be submitted for

infants <3 months of age.)

Container/Tube: Sterile container

Specimen Volume: 1 to 2 mL

Questions

Contact James Conn, Laboratory Resource Coordinator at 800-533-1710.