

Notification Date: December 17, 2024 Effective Date: Immediately

Acanthamoeba species Molecular Detection, PCR, Ocular

Test ID: ACARP

Explanation:

The necessary information for this test will be updated to include additional requirements for submission clarity and to streamline specimen processing.

Current Necessary Information Specimen source is required.

New Necessary Information

- 1. Specimen source is required.
- 2. Source information should include main anatomical site of collection.
- 3. If submitting scrapings or swabs, specify which collection device was used (ie, scalpel or swab).

Notes: Corneal/ocular scrapings collected with a scalpel or other sharp device should be submitted without the collection device in a sterile container. Specimens submitted with the scalpel blade or sharp collection device will be cancelled.

Though swabs are not the preferred specimen for this test, swab submissions must be received in viral transport media with the swab present. Specimens received without swabs will be cancelled.

For additional information regarding specimen requirements for these and other collection sources, please consult the Mayo Clinic Laboratories test catalog <u>entry</u> for this test.

Questions

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