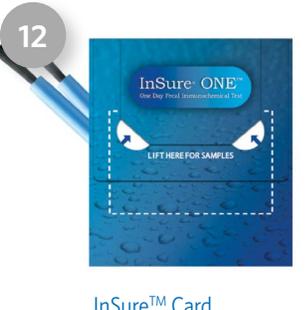


This chart provides the test code, test name, transport medium, and transport temperature for commonly ordered microbiology tests, along with images of the available transport devices.

Before collecting a specimen, **please verify the expiration date on the collection medium.** Expired swabs or containers may result in specimen rejection.

All specimens must be **clearly labeled with the patient's full name, date of collection, and the initials of the individual collecting the specimen.**

 <p>1 BBL™ CultureSwab™ Plus w/ Amies Gel</p>	 <p>2 Liquid Amies Double Plastic Swabs</p>	 <p>3 Culture Swab Liquid Stuarts</p>	 <p>4 APTIMA® Vaginal Swab Transport Media (STM)</p>
 <p>5 APTIMA® Urine</p>	 <p>6 BD Vacutainer® Urine C&amp;S Preservative Plastic Tube</p>	 <p>7 Urinalysis Tube</p>	 <p>8 Sterile Urine Cup</p>
 <p>9 Total Fix™</p>	 <p>10 Stool Container-w/Red Lid</p>	 <p>11 Para-Pak® C&amp;S with Cary-Blair Transport Medium</p>	 <p>12 InSure™ Card</p>
 <p>13 BacTec® Plus</p>	 <p>14 BacT/ALERT® PF (Pediatric)</p>	 <p>15 BacTec Mycolytic</p>	 <p>16 eSwab</p>

For test not listed on this chart, please refer to the **Virtual Test Guide** or the **Quest Test Directory**, both accessible at [www.dlolab.com](http://www.dlolab.com).

*The information on this chart is valid as of February 2026 and is subject to change without notice.*



Cultures			
4550	Aerobic (Swab, Tissue)	1 or 2 or 3 or 16	Room Temp
4550	Aerobic (Body Fluid)	N/A Refer to Test Guide or call Customer Service	Room Temp
4469	Anaerobic (Swab, Tissue)	1 or 16	Room Temp
4469	Anaerobic (Body Fluid)	N/A Refer to Test Guide or call Customer Service	Room Temp
4446*	Anaerobic And Aerobic (Swab, Tissue)	1 or 16	Room Temp
4446	Anaerobic And Aerobic (Body Fluid)	N/A Refer to Test Guide or call Customer Service	Room Temp
389	Blood (Adult)	15	Room Temp
389	Blood (Pediatric)	14	Room Temp
16302	Campylobacter	11	Room Temp
388**	CSF	N/A Refer to Test Guide or call Customer Service	Room Temp
4477	Ear, External (Swab)	1 or 2 or 3 or 16	Room Temp
8631	E. Coli 0157	11	Room Temp
4480	Eye (Swab)	1 or 2 or 3 or 16	Room Temp
4606	Fungus (Blood)	15 and Refer to Test Guide or call Customer Service	Room Temp
4553	Fungus; Not Skin, Hair Or Nail (Swab)	1 or 2 or 3	Room Temp
4553	Fungus; Not Skin, Hair Or Nail (Tissue, Biopsy, Body Fluid)	2 or 3 or 8 or 10 or 15	Refrigerate
4605	Fungus; Skin, Hair, Or Nail Only	8 or 10	Room Temp
4558	Genital	1 or 2 or 3 or 16	Room Temp
90417	MRSA Culture Screen (No Sensitivities)	1 or 2 or 3 or 16	Room Temp
17656	MRSA PCR	1 or 2 or 3 or 16	Refrigerate
4554	Mycobacteria (a.k.a Afb)(Swab)*Specimen type is suboptimal*	1 or 2 or 3	Refrigerate
4554	Mycobacteria (a.k.a Afb)(Tissue, Biopsy, Body Fluid, Sputum)	2 or 3 or 8 or 10 or 15	Refrigerate
10526	Mycobacteria (a.k.a Afb)(Blood)	15	Refrigerate
4556	Sputum/Lower Resp (Trac. Asp, Sputum, Bronch)	8	Refrigerate
8801	Staphylococcus Screen With Sensitivity	1 or 2 or 3 or 16	Room Temp
10019	Stool (Salmonella/Shigella Only)	11	Room Temp
32114	Stool (Salmonella/Shigella/Campylobacter/Shiga Toxin w/ reflex To 8631)	11	Room Temp
4485	Strep Group A Culture	1 or 2 or 3 or 16	Room Temp
10553*	Strep Group A, Antigen (Rapid Strep), Child	2 or 16	Room Temp
11479	Strep Group A, Antigen (Rapid Strep), Adult	2 or 16	Room Temp
14541	Throat Culture, special with Group A Strep Susceptibility	2 or 16	Room Temp
5617	Strep Group B	1 or 2 or 3 or 16	Room Temp
15090	Strep Group B With Sensitivity	1 or 2 or 3 or 16	Room Temp
4479	Surveillance (Environmental) (Swab) (Water)	1 or 3 or 8	Room Temp
17835	Sterilizer Check Culture	N/A Refer to Test Guide or call Customer Service	Room Temp
394*	Throat	1 or 2 or 3 or 16	Room Temp
395	Urine	6 or 8	Room Temp
3021	Urine, Special	6 or 8	Room Temp
Stains			
4503	Acid Fast Stain Only (Tissue, Fluid)	1 or 8	Refrigerate
497	Gram Stain (Swab, Tissue, Fluid, All Other Specimens)	1 or 2 or 3 or 6 or 8 or 16	Room Temp
497	Gram Stain (Sputum)	8 or 16	Refrigerate
8627	Fungus/KOH, Stain Only (Swab)	1 or 2 or 3 or 16	Room Temp
8627	Fungus/KOH, Stain Only (Tissue, Fluid)	2 or 3 or 8 or 10 or 16	Refrigerate
3930	Fecal Leukocyte Stain	9	Room Temp
Isolated ID & Miscellaneous			
392	Aerobic Bacterium Id	N/A Refer to Test Guide or call Customer Service	Room Temp
91664	C. Difficile Toxin (Gdh) Screen With Reflex To PCR	8 or 10	Refrigerate
16377	C. Difficile Toxin B, PCR	8 or 10	Refrigerate
11363	Chlamydia/N. Gonorrhoea MRNA,TMA (Swab)	4 and 5	Room Temp
11293	Fecal Globin, Stool (Medicare)	12	Room Temp
11290	Fecal Globin, Stool	12	Room Temp
8625	Giardia Antigen, EIA	8 or 9 or 11	Room Temp
3950	Parasite ID (Intestine)	8 and Refer to Test Guide or call Customer Service	Room Temp
3946	Parasite ID (External)	8 and Refer to Test Guide or call Customer Service	Room Temp
706	Rotavirus	8 or 10	Refrigerate
5463	Urinalysis (Complete)	7	Room Temp
3020	Urinalysis w/ reflex to Culture	6 and 7	Room Temp
681	Ova And Parasites	9	Room Temp
6653	Ova And Parasites (2 Specimen Collection Vials)	9	Room Temp
6652	Ova And Parasites (3 Specimen Collection Vials)	9	Room Temp
16492	Sureswab® (CT/NG, T Vaginalis)	4	Room Temp
16898	Sureswab® (Bacterial Vaginosis DNA)	4	Room Temp
19550	Sureswab® (Trichomonas)	4 and 5	Room Temp
11363	Sureswab® (CT/NG)	4 and 5	Room Temp
16491	Sureswab® (Vaginosis)	4	Room Temp
15509	Sureswab® (Bacterial Vaginosis)	4	Room Temp
16495	Sureswab® (Candida Albicans DNA)	4	Room Temp