

Mycobacterial Culture, Blood

Test ID: CTBBL

Explanation: On the effective date, the specimen stability is being updated from 72 hours to 7 days.

| Current Specimen Stability | | |
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| Specimen | Temperature | Time |
| Whole blood | Ambient (preferred) | 72 hours |
| | Refrigerated | 72 hours |
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| New Specimen Stability | | |
|------------------------|---------------------|--------|
| Specimen | Temperature | Time |
| Whole blood | Ambient (preferred) | 7 days |
| | Refrigerated | 7 days |
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Questions

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