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BACTERIAL CULTURE, AEROBIC (CLINICAL SAMPLE)

Synonym(s):

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<b>Lab Section Category</b>	<b>Bacteriology/Mycology/Parasitology - Bacteria</b> Click here to find out more about the <b>write-up</b> ( <a href="/Clinical-Departments-Centers/Pathology/Pathology-Handbook/Lab-Discipline-Special-Instructions/pages/bacteriology-mycology-parasitology.aspx">/Clinical-Departments-Centers/Pathology/Pathology-Handbook/Lab-Discipline-Special-Instructions/pages/bacteriology-mycology-parasitology.aspx</a> ).		
<b>Specimen Required</b>	See special instructions on SAMPLE COLLECTION and COLLECTION BY SPECIMEN TYPE		
<b>Method</b>	Culture		
<b>Test Result</b>	Organisms reported; No bacterial growth; No growth of pathogens; Normal oropharyngeal flora; No significant bacterial growth; Mixed flora; Mixed enteric flora		
<b>Turnaround Time</b>	Negative: 1 – 3 days  Positive: 2 – 4 days depending on the number and type of organisms and source of sample.		
		<b>Negative</b>	<b>Positive</b>
	<b>Urine</b>	1 – 2 days	2 – 4 days
	<b>Blood</b>	2 – 3 days	2 – 7 days
	<b>Sputum</b>	1 – 3 days	2 – 5 days
	<b>Wounds</b>	1 – 3 days	2 – 7 days
	<b>CSF and sterile fluids</b>	3 – 4 days	2 – 7 days
<b>Day(s) Test Set up</b>	Daily		

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