



BORDETELLA PERTUSSIS CULTURE

Synonym(s): Pertussis Culture

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Lab Section Category	Bacteriology/Mycology/Parasitology - Bacteria Click here to find out more about the write-up (/Clinical-Departments-Centers/Pathology/Pathology-Handbook/Lab-Discipline-Special-Instructions/pages/bacteriology-mycology-parasitology.aspx).
Specimen Required	Nasopharyngeal aspirate or pernasal swab in transport medium, i.e. Amies medium with charcoal. The transport medium can be obtained from Client and Specimen Management (Tel: 6321 4950). Collect the sample according to procedures provided with the transport medium.
Storage and Transport	Sample should be despatched to the laboratory as soon as possible.
Method	Culture
Test Result	Bordetella pertussis isolated; No Bordetella pertussis isolated
Turnaround Time	Negative: 7 days Positive: 4 - 14 days
Day(s) Test Set up	Monday - Saturday

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