



CLOSTRIDIUM DIFFICILE TOXINS A & B

Synonym(s): C difficile Toxins, Clostridium difficile Toxins, Stool C. difficile Toxins, C. difficile Antigen, GDH, Glutamate Dehydrogenase

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Lab Section Category	Immunology/Serology/STD/Allergy - Serology Click here to find out more about the write-up (/clinical-departments-centers/pathology/pathology-handbook/lab-discipline-special-instructions/pages/immunologyserologystdallergy.aspx).
Specimen Required	Only unformed stool that takes the shape of the container will be accepted. Fresh stool (one teaspoon or about 10 mm ³ of stool) in a clean leak-proof container with a tight-fitting lid. If it is not possible to despatch the stool sample to the laboratory within the same day, the sample should be kept at 2 – 8°C in the refrigerator. Please note: Stool in transport media, on swabs, mixed in urine or preservatives, is not appropriate for testing and will have to be rejected.
Method	Rapid Membrane Enzyme Immunoassay
Test Result	Reported as Detected or Not Detected for - Toxins A & B - Glutamate Dehydrogenase (GDH)
Turnaround Time	1 working day
Day(s) Test Set up	Monday to Saturday (Monday to Friday: before 5pm, Saturday: before 12 noon, except public holidays).

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