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Clinical Laboratories

Specimen Collection and Transportation Information

Test Name	Mnemonic	Section	Specimen Type
Vancomycin Resistant Enterococcus Testing	VRE	Clinical Microbiology	Fresh Stool Sample or Rectal Swab

- **Preparation of the Patient:** NA
- **Type of Collection Container:** Transport swab
- **Types and Amounts of Preservatives or Anticoagulants:** NA
- **Quantity of Specimen to be Collected:** 5 ml/1g or a walnut-sized portion of stool
 - **Minimum Quantity:** As above
- **Transportation Temperature:** Room temperature
- **Need for Special Timing for Collection (where applicable):** NA
- **Specimen Stability Information:** Room temperature
- **Special Instruction:** NA
- **Rejection Criteria:** Unsterile container / sample in formalin
- **Need for Appropriate Clinical Data, When Indicated (Patient history):** Required

Methodology	Reporting Scheme	Day Performed	Cut Off Time Main Lab	Cut Off Time Karachi Points	Cut Off Time Out of Karachi Points
Culture & Sensitivity	Daily, after 4 days	Daily	00.01	10.00	Contact nearest Collection Point