

Fecal Immunochemical Test (FIT) / (iFOBT) / Occult Blood

Order Name: **ICT OCCULT**
Test Number: 3510285
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TEST NAME	METHODOLOGY	LOINC CODE
Fecal Immunochemical Test (FIT) / (iFOBT) / Occult Blood	Immunochemical Fecal Occult Blood Test	29771-3

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENTS				
Specimen	Specimen Volume (min)	Specimen Type	Specimen Container	Transport Environment
Preferred	1 Kit	Stool, Random	FIT / ICT Dowel Probe Kit	Room Temperature
Instructions	<p>Specimen should be immediately transferred to the provided sampling FIT/ICT device by the patient or provider at time of specimen collection. Specimen stability outside of the collection device is unknown. FIT/ICT devices are acceptable up to 14 days after collection; keep refrigerated at 2-8 C if delay is anticipated.</p> <p>Submitting raw stools instead of the approved collection device is strongly discouraged. Raw stools must be transferred into the collection device within 4 hours to be acceptable for testing.</p> <p>For more information concerning the collection and kit refer to this test in our Specialized Testing section.</p> <p>Please contact your Sales Representative or Client Services if you have not received the new collection device.</p>			

GENERAL INFORMATION	
Testing Schedule	Mon-Fri
Expected TAT	5-7 Days
Clinical Use	AKA: Fecal Immunochemical Test (FIT) The automated fecal occult blood test detects the presence of human hemoglobin using a photometric reading of the presence of an antibody-antigen complex. This immuno-chemical test provides several advantages over the old guaiac method which include ease of collection, reduction in the number of samples needed, no dietary restrictions, increased specificity for human hemoglobin and detection of hemoglobin from the colon or rectal area only.
Notes	No special diet needed. If upper GI bleed is suspected, a traditional stool guaiac tests should be performed (OCC BL 1,2,3) The ICT OCCULT is specific for human hemoglobin from the colon or rectal area only for the detection of colorectal cancer, or lower GI bleeding.
CPT Code(s)	82274
Lab Section	Microbiology