

Parasite Complete Exam Stool

Order Name: **C PARASPEC**

Test Number: 6060250

Revision Date: 05/25/2022

TEST NAME	METHODOLOGY	LOINC CODE
Parasite Complete Exam Stool	Microscopy	

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENTS				
Specimen	Specimen Volume (min)	Specimen Type	Specimen Container	Transport Environment
Preferred	3gm (1gm)	Stool, Random	Formalin and PVA container	Room Temperature
Instructions	<p><b>Not for patients hospitalized more than 5 days.</b></p> <p>It is preferable to add enough of stool (to Indicator Line) into each of the PVA and Formalin (PARA-PAK) containers within 1 hour of collection.</p> <p><b>Patients must not have had barium for 10 days prior to collection for this test.</b></p> <p>Stability of specimen in PARA-PAK containers for PARASPEC testing is 30 days.</p> <p>Note: For the most common parasites, the <b>Parasite Screen (5195166)</b> is recommended. It tests for Giardia and Cryptosporidium antigens, and it is performed daily.</p>			

GENERAL INFORMATION	
Testing Schedule	Mon - Thur
Expected TAT	3-7 Days
Notes	It is recommnded to submit separate specimens that are collected over 3 consecutive days for best results.
CPT Code(s)	87177, 87209
Lab Section	Microbiology