

Blood Culture - 1st Aerobic/Anaerobic

Order Name: **C BLD 1ST**

Test Number: 6000200

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| TEST NAME                             | METHODOLOGY | LOINC CODE |
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| Blood Culture - 1st Aerobic/Anaerobic | Culture     |            |

| SPECIMEN REQUIREMENTS |   |                  |                    |                       |
|-----------------------|---|------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| Specimen              | Specimen Volume (min)   | Specimen Type    | Specimen Container | Transport Environment |
| Preferred             | See Instructions  | See Instructions | See Instructions   | Room Temperature      |
| Instructions          | <b>BOTH : Bactec Standard/10 Aerobic (blue) and Standard/10 Anaerobic (yellow) blood culture bottles.</b><br>15 mL (10 mL into blue bottle and 5 ml into yellow).<br><b>Container Preparation:</b> Bottle top(s) must be cleaned with alcohol prior to addition of specimen.<br><b>Specimen Collection:</b> Clean venipuncture site with Betadine or Chloraprep, and allow the site to air dry. Avoid palpating vein after cleansing step, use aseptic technique. Short draws should be avoided. Aseptically dispensing the recommended volume of blood is essential for optimal pathogen recovery. |                  |                    |                       |

| GENERAL INFORMATION |  |
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| Testing Schedule    | Daily  |
| Expected TAT        | 5 Days   |
| Clinical Use        | Blood cultures help determine sepsis and bacteremia in the patient's blood stream. Two blood cultures from different sites is the recommended procedure. |
| CPT Code(s)         | 87040  |
| Lab Section         | Microbiology   |