



# FLUID CULTURE

(Excluding Blood,  
CAPD, CSF, Urine)

## Orderable – FLDS

Turnaround Time: Up to 13 days

STAT: Gram Stain 1 hour

### Alternate Name:

Fluid Culture

### Specimen Type and Collection Information:



**Laboratory:**  
Microbiology



**Requisition:**  
Electronic Order



**Method of Analysis:**  
Microscopy, culture



**Test Schedule:**  
Daily

Specimen Type	Collection Information	Collection Device
Aqueous Humor Aspirate* Drainage* Fluid Orthopedic* Peritoneal Fluid Pleural Fluid Synovial Fluid Vitreous Fluid	Transport fluid or pus in a sterile container (orange cap) or Single eSwab (White cap) transport tube ( <b>do not include swab</b> )	 

\* Indicate **Body** Site when placing order

If submitting CAPD Fluid, please refer to the Continuous Ambulatory Peritoneal Dialysis Laboratory Test Information Guide Page.

### Specimen Stability:

The specimen must be stored at room temperature.

The specimen must be received within 24 hours of collection.