WHIPPLE’S DISEASE

Orderable – BPCRRO

Turnaround Time: Up to 7 days

Alternate Name (s):

Tropheryma whippelii

Specimen Type and Collection Information:

Please review the Public Health Ontario Laboratory Test Information Index:

Whipple’s Disease - PCR

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<th>Specimen Type</th>
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<td>Tissue*</td>
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<td>EDTA Blood</td>
<td>0.5 mL</td>
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<td>CSF</td>
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*tissue is the most appropriate type specimen for this test

Critical Information Required:

Ensure the Public Health Laboratory Requisition includes the following:

- Test requested
- Clinical/epidemiology

Specify Whipple’s or Tropheryma in the Specimen Description field when placing order in PowerChart and on Public Health Laboratory Requisition.

Storage and Shipment:

Specimen must be received within 24 hours of collection.
If the transport time exceeds 24 hours, the specimen will only be tested if appropriate.