Orderable - OAP
Turnaround Time: 1 week

Specimen Type and Collection Information:

Please review the Public Health Ontario Laboratory Test Information Index:

Arthropod - Identification

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<th>Specimen Type</th>
<th>Minimum Volume</th>
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<td>Miscellaneous - Arthropod (bedbugs, lice fleas, maggots, mites)</td>
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Critical Information Required:

Ensure the Public Health Ontario Laboratory Requisition includes the following:

- Site of collection
- Relevant clinical information
- Travel History

When placing order in PowerChart, select Miscellaneous from the Specimen Type drop down menu. Ensure suspected arthropod is specified in the Specimen Description field when placing order in PowerChart and on Public Health Laboratory Requisition.

Comments:

Public Health Ontario Laboratory will identify the following arthropods removed from humans or vicinity:

- lice
- fleas
- bedbugs
- maggots
- mites
For tick submission, please refer to Ova and Parasite – Tick Laboratory Test Information Guide page.

**Storage and Shipment:**

Keep specimen at room temperature.
Specimen must be received in Microbiology within 4 hours of collection.