

# WHIPPLE'S DISEASE

## Orderable – BPCRRO

Turnaround Time: Up to 7 days

### Alternate Name (s):

Tropheryma whipplei

### Specimen Type and Collection Information:

Please review the Public Health Ontario Laboratory Test Information Index:

#### [Whipple's Disease - PCR](#)

Specimen Type	Minimum Volume	Collection Kit
Tissue*		Sterile Container
EDTA Blood	0.5 mL	EDTA vacutainer tube (lavender)
CSF	0.5mL	Sterile Container

\*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.



**Laboratory:**  
Microbiology



**Requisition:**  
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This requisition **MUST**  
accompany the specimen



**Method of Analysis:**  
PCR



**Test Schedule:**  
Referred out weekdays



**Referred to:**  
Public Health Laboratory  
1200 Commissioners Rd E  
London, Ontario  
519-455-9310