

MICROBIOLOGY SPECIMENS THAT NEED SITE/SOURCE:

All site/source must be as specific as possible. Enter in either of the following when placing orders here:

CULTURE, TISSUE(PANEL)

Collect Sample: TISSUE









Specimen: LEFT KNEE (Y922)

Urgency: ROUTINE

Enter order comment: Left knee

Alternatively handwrite the specific site/source on the specimen.

Cultures that need the site/source specified:

Wound		Copan swab or in sterile container. If sent on swabs then anaerobe culture cannot be performed.
Abscess		Copan swab or in sterile container. If sent on swabs then anaerobe culture cannot be performed.
Bone		Sterile Container. If sent on swabs will be re-ordered as a bone culture. Do not submit large pieces for microbiology cultures.
Tissue		Sterile Container. If sent on swabs will be re-ordered as a tissue culture. Do not submit large pieces for microbiology cultures.
Drainages		Syringe (without needle!) or sterile container. Copan swab not recommended but if sent on swabs then anaerobe culture cannot be performed.
Synovial Fluids		This is the only body fluid that needs a specified site/source. May be collected in syringe (without needle!), red top tube, or sterile cup. EDTA (PURPLE TOP) TUBES NOT ACCEPTED.
Medical Devices		Generally received in steriles containers, larger devices may be in other containers.
Eye/ Donor Cornea		Copan swab, syringe (without needle!), or in sterile container. If sent on swabs then anaerobe culture cannot be performed.
Corneal Scraping		Agar/Media/Slides are inoculated bedside. If no liquid broth is submitted then anaerobe culture cannot be performed.

See Lab Collection Manual (JDOS) for further information on ordering, collection, and submission:

<https://idos.nicholsinstitute.com/dos/BACL/>