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## HERPES SIMPLEX CULTURE HSV CULTURE & TYPING

Test Code: HERPE

Specimen Types: Vesicular Fluid, Lesion, Urine, CSF, Tissue, Eye, Vaginal

Tube Type / Collection Container: M4 media

**Specimen Volume:** Swab in viral transport media(M4), 1 ML fluid or 0.5g tissue

Specimen Storage: Refrigerate 2-8 C

**Specimen Collection Notes:** Specimen best collected within first 3 days after appearance of lesion but no more than 7 days. After collection remove cap from transport media tube and insert swab aseptically into transport tube and break swab shaft. Replace cap so that swab will not interfere with closure and allow tube to leak. Label tube with patient identifiacation and transport to the laboratory refrigerated within 24 hrs. Specify source/origin of collection. CPT Code determined after testing is complete.

**Department:** Reference Laboratory

**Reference Lab Code: 008250** 

