

**Reporting Title:** Susc, AFB, Rapidly Growing  
**Performing Location:** Rochester

**Additional Testing Requirements:**  
CTB / Mycobacteria and *Nocardia* Culture, Varies or CTBID / Culture Referred for Identification, *Mycobacterium* and *Nocardia*, Varies must also be ordered and will be charged separately **unless identification of organism is provided by the client.**

**Shipping Instructions:**  
1. For shipping information see [Infectious Specimen Shipping Guidelines](#)  
2. Place specimen in a large infectious container and label as an etiologic agent/infectious substance.

**Necessary Information:**  
**Specimen source and organism identification are required** unless either CTB / Mycobacteria and *Nocardia* Culture, Varies or CTBID / Culture Referred for Identification, *Mycobacterium* and *Nocardia*, Varies is also ordered.

**Identification to the species level is required** for *Mycobacterium* species in order for the correct antimicrobial susceptibility drug panel to be selected. Identification to the genus level is sufficient for *Nocardia* species and other aerobic actinomycetes (eg, *Gordonia* species, *Rhodococcus* species).

**Specimen Requirements:**  
**Specimen Type:** Organism  
**Supplies:** Infectious Container, Large (T146)  
**Container/Tube:** Middlebrook 7H10 agar slant or other appropriate media  
**Specimen Volume:** Pure isolate  
**Collection Instructions:** Organism must be in pure culture, actively growing.

**Forms:**  
If not ordering electronically, complete, print, and send a [Microbiology Test Request](#) (T244) with the specimen.

| Specimen Type | Temperature         | Time | Special Container |
|---------------|---------------------|------|-------------------|
| Varies        | Ambient (preferred) |      |                   |
|               | Refrigerated        |      |                   |

**Ask at Order Entry (AOE) Questions:**

| Test ID | Question ID | Description  | Type       | Reportable |
|---------|-------------|--|------------|------------|
| MM LRG  | Q00M0038    | Specimen source (Required) and Organism Identification (Required unless concurrent identification test is ordered) | Plain Text | Yes        |

**Result Codes:**

| Result ID | Reporting Name | Type | Unit | LOINC® |
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|-------|----------------------------|--------------|----|---------|
| MMLRG | Susc, AFB, Rapidly Growing | Alphanumeric | mL | 29579-0 |
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LOINC® and CPT codes are provided by the performing laboratory.

Supplemental Report:

No

CPT Code Information:

87186

Reflex Tests:

| Test Id | Reporting Name              | CPT Units | CPT Code | Always Performed | Available Separately |
|---------|-----------------------------|-----------|----------|------------------|----------------------|
| SRG     | Susceptibility Rapid Grower |           |          | Yes              | No, (Bill Only)      |

Reference Values:

Interpretive criteria and reporting guidelines are followed using the Clinical Laboratory Standards Institute (CLSI) M24S document.