

## Methodist Pathology Center TEST DIRECTORY - Add New Test or Modifying Existing Test

Supply required **BOLDED** information if applicable submit to Kathy Kuska for test directory updating.

**Submitted by:** LaNett Whisler

**TEST NAME:** Blood Borne Parasite Smears

**TEST NAME SYNONYMS:** Malaria Smear

**REFERRAL LAB:**

**REFERRAL LAB TEST NUMBER:**

**DAYS PERFORMED:** Sunday-Saturday

**REPORT TAT:** Daily;

**SPECIMEN COLLECTION REQUIREMENTS:** Add info that is below

Whole blood containing EDTA. Tube **must** be processed immediately; distortion occurs if >1 to 2h of collection. **Reject any specimen received >4h after collection.**

Thick and thin slides can be made directly at bedside using whole blood from a capillary draw (fingerstick) but is not the preferred method.

**PEDIATRIC COLLECTION:**

**UNACCEPTABLE CONDITIONS:** Add info that is below

EDTA specimen received >4h after collection

Too thick of slides can detach from slide during staining. DO NOT FIX SMEARS WITH METHANOL OR HEAT.

**STORAGE/TRANSPORT TEMPERATURE:** Add info that is below

Room Temperature

**STABILITY:** Add info that is below

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**METHODOLOGY:**

**REFERENCE INTERVAL:**

**CPT CODES:**

**LOINC:**