

**DEPARTMENT NAME**

Microbiology and Immunoserology

**GENERAL INFORMATION**

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**SPECIMEN DELIVERY**

All specimens should be delivered as rapidly as possible to the Clinical Laboratories Support Services section. If there is a transit delay of more than 1 hour after collection, check the reference manual or test information file for proper holding conditions.

**TESTING**

The Microbiology Laboratory provides complete testing in:

- Antimicrobial susceptibility
- Bacteriology (aerobic and anaerobic)
- Molecular microbiology
- Mycology
- Mycobacteriology

- Nosocomial and molecular epidemiology
- Parasitology
- Serology (autoimmune and infectious)
- Virology

The clinical microbiology laboratory provides comprehensive testing in microbiology and immunoserology. Among the most critical steps in obtaining optimal results is proper specimen management. To best support the physician in the diagnostic process, clinical microbiology works closely with the healthcare team to ensure that the optimal specimen is collected and that results are reported in a timely manner. The laboratory encourages active communication and continually evaluates direct reporting mechanisms in order to provide accurate and reliable data that will positively impact patient outcomes. An antimicrobial susceptibility summary booklet (antibiogram) is available on request. The information is compiled yearly using data from the UCLA Medical Center patient population, and is available by following the Clinical Services link on the departmental web page at <https://asp.mednet.ucla.edu/pages/> We welcome requests for educational (inservice presentation or other training) and consultative services.