

LAB8855 Group A Strep

BMC, CRH, FOX, FTT, LFH, OCH

Performing Location(s)

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Specimen Type

Throat Swab

Preferred Container

BD BBL CultureSwab EZ II (storeroom item 554408)



Transportation Needs

Deliver specimen to the laboratory as soon as possible.

Specimen stable at room temperature or refrigerated for up to 72 hours.

Causes for Rejection

Mislabeled or unlabeled specimens

Specimen in VTM or Saline

> 72 hours at room temp or refrigerated

E-Swab in liquid Amies Media

Cotton or Standard Rayon swab

Storage Requirements

Place collected, properly labeled specimens into a specimen bag.

Transport immediately to the testing area.

Sample may be room temperature or refrigerated for up to 72 hours after collection.

Reference Values

Result	Interpretation
Negative	Negative for Group A Strep nucleic acid.
Positive	Positive for Group A Strep nucleic acid.

Available STAT

Yes

Methodology

Isothermal nucleic acid amplification on Abbott ID NOW

CPT Code

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