

Update Notes

Health systems and hospitals are encouraged to consult state and local health departments to determine their best testing options for 2019 Novel Coronavirus SARS-CoV-2.

New Test Activation

Effective Date	3/13/2020
Name	2019 Novel Coronavirus SARS-CoV-2 by PCR
Code	COVID
CPT Code(s)	U0002
Notes	

Specimen Requirements

Specimen Required	Collect both a nasopharyngeal swab and oropharyngeal swab. Place BOTH swabs in a single viral transport media and transport frozen. M4, M5 and UTM media are acceptable. You must send both swabs for testing to be performed. Please include ARUP patient demographic form.
Alternate Specimen	Alternate Acceptable Specimens are reported with Disclaimer. Respiratory specimens, BAL, bronchial washings, nasal washings, tracheal aspirate, sputum. Send 1.0 mL frozen in a sterile, plastic, screw-capped container.
Rejection Criteria	Cotton swabs with wooden shaft
Stability	Room Temperature: Unacceptable, Refrigerated: 4 days, Frozen: 1 month

Performing Information

Methodology	Qualitative Polymerase Chain Reaction
Reference Range	Not detected
Performed Days	Sun - Sat
Turnaround Time	2 - 3 days
Performing Laboratory	ARUP Reference Laboratory

Interface Information

Legacy Code ¹	COVID		
Interface Order Code	3600151		
Result Code	Name	LOINC Code	AOE/Prompt ²
3600152	SARS-CoV-2 Source	31208-2	Yes
3600153	SARS-CoV-2 by PCR	Not available	No