**Mycobacterium Tuberculosis (MTB) Supplemental Form**

(Completed NPHL Test Request Form Required)

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**Source:**
- Blood  
- Bronchial Aspirate  
- Cervical  
- CSF  
- Nasopharyngeal  
- Sputum  
- Stool  
- Throat  
- Urethra  
- Urine  
- Vaginal  
- Rectal  
- Other: ___________________(specify)

**Specimen Type:**
- Sediment (specify smear results): __________________
- Isolate (specify medium): __________________
- MGIT Broth

Tests previously performed by submitting laboratory:_________________________________________

Method used for the MTBC identification:
- Xpert
- Accuprobe
- Other (specify): _____________________________________________________

First-line DST performed?  
- Yes  
- No

RIF-resistance?
- Detected  
- Intermediate  
- Not Detected  
- Not Tested

Test Requested:
- AFB Culture + Smear (includes susceptibility)*  
- AFB Identification  
- M. tuberculosis Direct PCR  
- M. tuberculosis Direct Susceptibility Test (DST)  
- M. tuberculosis Genotyping  
- M. tuberculosis Direct Susceptibility Test (TBDST) at CDC  
- Other: MDDR @ CDC  
- PSQ (Pyrosequence) Only (Pre-approval required for submission - Contact NPHL for PSQ request form)

* collected 1 specimen every 24 hours, for 3 consecutive days
+ NPHL Client Services route to Clinical TB Lab
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**NPHL and Nebraska Medicine Only:**

Patient MRN #: __________________  
AFBCU Acc #: __________________  
TBDST Acc #: __________________  
AFBIS +  
AFB Identification  
TBAPR +  
M. tuberculosis Direct PCR  
TBGEN -  
M. tuberculosis Direct Susceptibility Test (DST)  
TBGEN -  
M. tuberculosis Genotyping  
CDCSO -  
M. tuberculosis Direct Susceptibility Test (TBDST) at CDC  
CDCSO -  
Other: MDDR @ CDC  
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Packaging and Shipping to Nebraska Public Health Laboratory

Category A  Infectious Substances, Affective Humans UN2814
Category B  Biological Substances, UN3373

Specimen Handling:
Practice universal blood and body fluid precautions when handling specimens. Specimens must be collected in or transferred to leak-proof primary containers. The container must have at least two patient identifiers and be placed into a secondary sealed biohazard bag to prevent contamination. The biohazard bag should be equipped with an absorbent material, large enough to absorb the entire contents if spilled. The person determining if a package can be shipped as exempt, biological or infectious substance, must be trained in the classification process. All materials must be accompanied by the appropriately completed requisition. Most clinical specimens can be handled as an exempt or category B biological substance, placed in a biohazard bag and offered to the ground courier service. All organism isolates on culture media or in broth must be triple packaged in either the Biological Substances UN3373 (Category B) or the Infectious Substances UN2814 (Category A) provided by Nebraska Public Health Laboratory (NPHL). Contact Karen Stiles at 402.598.2348 or page 402.888.5588 for shipping additional material or instructions.

Shipping Certification:
To ensure the safety of laboratory personnel and the public, proper handling of specimens and propagated organisms is mandatory. The shipper is legally responsible to comply with the rules and guidelines for transport of Division 6.2 infectious substances, which is regulated as a hazardous material under the U.S. Department of Transportation’s (DOT) Hazardous Materials Regulations (HMR; 49 CFR Parts 171-178). Purpose of adherence to these regulations and requirements is to minimize the potential for damage to the contents of the package during transport and to reduce the exposure of the shipper to the risks of criminal and civil liability associated with the improper shipment of dangerous goods. Specimens and organism isolates will be rejected if submitted improperly.

Anyone involved in the classification, packaging, shipping or transportation of dangerous goods (including infectious substances) must be trained and certified in the shipment of dangerous goods (Division 6.2). Training must be function-specific, i.e., directly relevant to role the person plays in the packing and shipping process. Persons who pack and ship Category B infectious substances and exempt specimens must receive clear instructions, understand classification and be familiar with regulations. However, persons who pack and ship Category A infectious substances or ≥ 5 kg Dry Ice must receive the aforementioned training plus specific training for all functions involved in packing and shipping more hazardous Category A substances, and be certified to do so.

Transport Instructions:
After determining the exact nature and category of the substance to be shipped, the shipper must follow the appropriate packing instructions, provided by Nebraska Public Health Laboratory in each shipping box and at training sessions.

Courier Services:
Category A Infectious Substance UN2814 shipped from Omaha area must be transported to NPHL by exclusive couriers, as they are only courier specifically trained and licensed to transport Category A. Do not use routine NPHL courier. Call Client Services to arrange an exclusive courier.

All Lincoln and greater Nebraska laboratories must first notify NPHL and ship all Category A Infectious Substances via FedEx, to include airbill and shippers declaration.

To inquire about scheduled stops, and after hours courier ground service, call client services Toll Free 866.290.1406 or 402.559.2440.

Packages going by FedEx, ship to address:

**CATEGORY A**
Client Services
Nebraska Public Health Laboratory
4400 Emile Street MSB 3500
Omaha, NE 68105
Phone: 866.290.1406

**CATEGORY B**
Client Services
Nebraska Public Health Laboratory
601 S Saddle Creek Rd, MSB 3500
Omaha, NE 68106
Phone: 866.290.1406

Packages going by Ground, courier to address:

**CATEGORY A**
Client Services
Nebraska Public Health Laboratory
981180 Nebraska Medical Center, MSB 3500
Omaha, NE 68198-1180
Phone: 866.290.1406

**CATEGORY B**
Client Services
Nebraska Public Health Laboratory
601 S Saddle Creek Rd, MSB 3500
Omaha, NE 68106
Phone: 866.290.1406

*Courier specifically trained and licensed to transport Category A. Do not use routine NPHL courier.*