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SPECIMEN TYPE	GRAM STAIN?	MEDIA	INCUBATION
Blood culture: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Positive bottles > 24 hour bottles 	Yes	<u>Positive bottle:</u> BA, CHO, MAC, BRU <u>>24 hour bottle:</u> BA, CHO, BRU	BA and CHO = CO ₂ MAC = O ₂ BRU = AnO ₂
Body fluid	Yes	BA, CHO, MAC, BRU, KV, THIO	BA and CHO = CO ₂ MAC and THIO = O ₂ BRU and KV = AnO ₂
Catheter tip	No	BA, MAC	BA = CO ₂ MAC = O ₂
CSF	Yes	BA, CHO, MAC THIO if from shunt	BA and CHO = CO ₂ MAC (and THIO if indicated) = O ₂
Ear	Yes	BA, CHO, MAC	BA and CHO = CO ₂ MAC = O ₂
Eye	Yes	BA, CHO	BA and CHO = CO ₂
Genital culture – BV	Yes	Only slide, no media	Only slide, no media
Genital culture – IUD	No	BRU, THIO	BRU = AnO ₂ THIO = O ₂
Genital culture – Upper	Yes	BA, CHO, TM, MAC, BRU, KV, THIO	BA, CHO and TM = CO ₂ MAC and THIO = O ₂ BRU and KV = AnO ₂
Genital culture – Lower	Yes	BA, CHO, TM, MAC	BA, CHO and TM = CO ₂ MAC = O ₂

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Gonorrhoeae culture	Male urethra specimens only	CHO, TM NOTE: Full culture is performed if source is eye or throat.	CHO and TM = CO ₂
GBS screen	No	LIM	LIM = CO ₂
MRSA screen	No	DEN	DEN = O ₂
Oral culture	No	SAB	SAB = room temperature <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Indicate day 2 date on plate.
Respiratory culture	Yes	BA, CHO, MAC	BA and CHO = CO ₂ MAC = O ₂
Stool culture	No	BA, MAC, HEK, SOR, CIN, CAMP, SEL,	BA, MAC, HEK, SOR, SEL= O ₂ CIN = room temperature <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Indicate day 2 date on plate. CAMP = microaerophilic <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Campy rack in CO₂ incubator
Throat culture	No	BA	BA = AnO ₂ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Throat rack in CO₂ incubator.
Urine culture	No	BA, MAC	BA and MAC = O ₂
VRE screen	No	VRE	VRE = O ₂
Wound – superficial	Yes	BA, MAC	BA = CO ₂ MAC = O ₂
Wound – deep	Yes	BA, CHO, MAC, BRU, KV	BA and CHO = CO ₂ MAC = O ₂ BRU and KV = AnO ₂

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