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**DESCRIPTION OF PROCEDURE REVISION**

**Name of procedure:**

Ova and Parasite Processing

**Description of change(s):**

1. Updated format of procedure
2. Replaced MF and PVA vials with a single Total-Fix vial

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**1. PURPOSE**

This procedure outlines the process for preparing ova and parasite (O&P) specimens for testing.

**2. SCOPE**

This procedure applies to any stool being processed for O&P analysis.

**3. RESPONSIBILITY**

All laboratory staff members are to understand and adhere to this procedure when processing stool for O&P analysis.

**4. DEFINITIONS**

**Specimen:** Liquid or soft stool  
**Reagents:** Total-Fix fixative

**5. PROCEDURE**

Step	Action
1	A stool specimen should be collected. Refer to procedure, "Stool Specimen Requirements."
2	If raw stool is submitted, the specimen should be inoculated into the Total-Fix fixative vial within 1 hour of collection. A. This step is performed under the hood in microbiology to reduce odor. B. Do not send raw stool for testing.

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3	Process the specimen for send-out to Quest Diagnostics Chantilly for testing. A. Receive the specimen in the LIS and label with the bar code LIS label. B. Package the specimen and keep at room temperature until the courier arrives.

**6. RELATED DOCUMENTS**

- SOP: Stool Specimen Requirements
- SOP: Specimen Receipt and Processing
- SOP: FES, Processing Microbiology Orders

**7. REFERENCES**

Meridian Ova and Parasite Instruction sheet

**8. REVISION HISTORY**

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**9. ADDENDA AND APPENDICES**

None

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