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<https://www.tn.gov/health/health-program-areas/lab.html>

**Disease/Agent Suspected or Test Requested:**

**Mycobacterium leprae**

<b>Provider Requirements</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Isolate submission <b>REQUIRED</b> (culture).</li> <li>• Contact Mycobacteriology for guidance.</li> </ul>
<b>Acceptable Specimen Sources/Type(s) for Submission</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Culture Isolate</li> <li>• Tissue *</li> </ul>
<b>TDH Requisition Form Number</b>	<b>PH-4182</b>
<b>Media Requirements</b>	<i>Lowenstein-Jensen media (screw-capped tube) or other appropriate media.</i>
<b>Special Instructions</b>	* Visit: <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/laboratory/specimen-submission/detail.html?CDC_TestCode=CDC-10365">https://www.cdc.gov/laboratory/specimen-submission/detail.html?CDC_TestCode=CDC-10365</a> for submission guidelines for Tissue samples
<b>Shipping Instructions</b>	Ship Room Temperature/Ambient
<b>Laboratory Section Performing Testing</b>	Mycobacertiology
<b>Lab Location(s) Performing Test</b>	Nashville

All infectious substance shipments must conform to U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) Hazardous Materials Regulations (HMR 49 C.F.R Parts 171-180).