Microbiology Specimen Collection Guide
For UCSF Operating Rooms

**CSF**
- CSF bacterial culture
- CSF fungal culture for *Coccidioides*
- AFB culture (approval needed)

**TISSUE**
- Bacterial culture, normally sterile site
- Fungal culture
- Viral culture
- AFB culture

**FLUID**
- Bacterial culture, normally sterile site
- Fungal culture
- AFB culture
- Viral culture

**SWABS**
- Viral culture

Avoid swabs if possible!

- Label sample, confirm match with requisition
- Indicate source on tube and requisition
- Send immediately to laboratory