

**Recommended Specimens For SARS Co-V Testing**

<b>Specimen Source</b>	<b>Outpatient/Inpatient</b>	<b>Fatal Case</b>
<b>Upper Respiratory</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Nasopharyngeal wash/aspirate</li> <li>2. Nasopharyngeal AND Oropharyngeal swabs</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Nasopharyngeal wash/aspirate</li> <li>2. Nasopharyngeal AND Oropharyngeal swabs</li> </ol>
<b>Lower Respiratory</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Sputum</li> <li>2. Bronchoalveolar lavage (BAL), tracheal aspirate or pleural tap (Inpatient only)</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Bronchoalveolar lavage (BAL), tracheal aspirate or pleural tap</li> </ol>
<b>Blood</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Serum – Acute AND convalescent (&gt; 28 days post onset)</li> <li>2. Blood/plasma</li> </ol>	—
<b>Stool</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Stool</li> </ol>	—
<b>Tissue</b>	N/A	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Fixed tissue from all major organs (e.g., lung, heart, spleen, liver, brain, kidney, adrenals)</li> <li>2. Frozen tissue from lung and upper airway (e.g., trachea, bronchus)</li> </ol>