

Special Collections Quick Reference

Remember to label all specimen containers with Patient's Full Name, Date of Birth, and Date of Collection



Cultures including Aerobic, Anaerobic, and Fungal, Strep Molecular Tests

ESwab Collection and Transport System- Part Number: 276809

Sources: Included, but not limited to wound, throat, eye, or genital.

Transport Temperature: Ambient or Refrigerated

Stability: 48 Hours
**Gonorrhea*: 9 Hours Ambient or 29 Hours Refrigerated



Chlamydia trachomatis and Neisseria gonorrhea by PCR, Female

COBAS PCR Female Swab Sample Kit- Part Number: 444391

Source: Vaginal

Transport Temperature: Ambient or Refrigerated

Stability: 90 Days



Chlamydia trachomatis and Neisseria gonorrhea by PCR

Aptima Unisex Swap Specimen Collection Kit (T583)- Part Number: 000034

Sources: Female- Endocervix/Cervix
Male- Urethra

Transport Temperature: Refrigerated

Stability: 30 Days



Chlamydia trachomatis and Neisseria gonorrhea by PCR

Aptima Multitest Swab Specimen Collection Kit (T584)- Part Number: 000037

Sources: Oropharynx/Pharynx/Throat/Rectal/Anal/Ocular

Transport Temperature: Refrigerated

Stability: 30 Days



Chlamydia trachomatis and Neisseria gonorrhea by PCR- Urine, Male or Female

COBAS PCR Urine Sample Kit- Part Number: 444390

Source: Urine- Collect first-void urine in sterile container. Using provided disposable pipette, transfer urine from sterile contain to COBAS PCR Urine Kit until fluid level is between the two black fill lines.

Transport Temperature: Ambient or Refrigerated

Stability: 90 days
*Specimen stability is 72 hours refrigerated prior to placement in Cobas media.



Viral Testing including Herpes Simplex, Varicella Zoster, Viral Culture, Respiratory Panel, SARS-CoV-2, Influenza A/B and RSV

Universal Viral Transport Collection Kits

Viral Transport Media Collection Kit with Nasal/Skin Swab- Part Number: 000031

Viral Transport Media with Nasopharyngeal Swab- Part Number: 328552

Transport Temperature: Refrigerated

Stability: 72 Hours



Urinalysis and Urine Culture Collection and Transport

Yellow UA and Gray URCX with Transfer Device- Part Number: 611013

Source: Urine

Transport Temperature: Refrigerated

Stability: Yellow- 24 Hours
Gray Culture- 48 Hours



Sterile Specimen Cup- Part Number: 395346

Source: Urine

Transport Temperature: Refrigerated

Stability: 24 Hours



Cleansing Towelettes- Part Number: 110166



Trichomonas vaginalis Nucleic Acid Amplification- Urine

Aptima Urine Transport Collection Kit (T582)- Part Number: 000035

Source: Urine- Patient should have not urinated for at least one hour and collect first-void urine in sterile container. Transfer 2mL to Aptima urine transport tube within 24 hours of collection.

Transport Temperature: Refrigerated

Stability:30 Days



Occult Blood Immunoassay Diagnostic

OC-Auto Sample Bottle- Part Number: 329608

Source: Stool- Transferred to OC-Auto Sample Bottle Within 4 Hours

Transport Temperature: Ambient or Refrigerated

Stability: 15 Days Ambient or 30 Days Refrigerated



Vaginitis DNA Panel including Candida species, Gardnerella vaginalis, and Trichomonas vaginalis

Xpert Vaginitis Kit- Part Number: 583484

Source: Vaginal

Transport Temperature: Ambient or Refrigerated

Stability: 42 Days



Papillomavirus, Chlamydia trachomatis and Neisseria gonorrhea by PCR

ThinPrep PAP Test- Part Number: 000000

Source: Cervix

Transport Temperature: Ambient

Stability: 72 Hours



Clostridium difficile toxin

Sterile Specimen Cup- Part Number: 395346

Source: Unformed Stool Only
*Formed Stool- Rejected

Transport Temperature: Refrigerated

Stability: 4 Days



Gastrointestinal Panels by PCR, Ova and Parasite- Basic (Giardia and Cryptosporidium antigens)

C & S Stool Transport Container- Part Number: 543016

Source: Stool- Add to C&S Stool Transport Container until preservative level reaches red line. DO NOT overfill.

*Collect 1mL of stool in separate sterile specimen cup for reflex of *C. difficile* toxin if PCR result is positive.

Transport Temperature: Ambient and Refrigerated

Stability: GI Panels- 4 days
Ova and Parasite- 14 Days



Ova and Parasite- Expanded

Total Fix Ova & Parasite Transport Container- Part Number: 543017

Source: Stool- Add to Total Fix Ova & Parasite Transport Container until preservative level reaches red line. DO NOT overfill.

Transport Temperature: Ambient or Refrigerated

Stability: 60 Days