









Containers, Tubes and Swabs for Test Management

Container Type	Acceptable Uses	Important Notes
<p>UR/ YEL Yellow Urine tube</p> 	<p>Urinalysis <i>only</i></p> <p>Urine Chemistries Drug Screen Analysis (<i>Verify Volume Required</i>)</p>	<p>DO NOT USE FOR Urine Cultures</p> <p>Once testing is performed on analyzer for UA, Sample cannot be used for other testing.</p>
<p>UR/ GREY Grey top urine tube</p>  <p>Label states: Urine C&S Preservative</p>	<p>Urine Culture</p> <p>Collect 2-4 mLs of urine. No specimen will be rejected if too short, however a disclaimer is appended to result.</p>	<p>DO NOT USE FOR</p> <p>Urinalysis</p>
<p>UR/ YEL and UR/ GREY Both Urine and Culture tubes</p>  <p>Catheterized Specimen Collection Cont.</p>  <p>Used in absence of</p>	<p>Urinalysis w/Reflex to Culture</p>	<p>Must send both tubes for UA w/Reflex to culture</p>
 <p>ESwab</p>	<p>Anaerobic Culture Aerobic Culture Wound Culture MRSA Screen Culture GC Culture Genital or Placenta Culture Eye or Ear Culture Rapid Strep A PCR C CPO Screen C Auris Screen</p>	<p>DO NOT USE FOR</p> <p>Viral Cultures Amplified Probes</p>


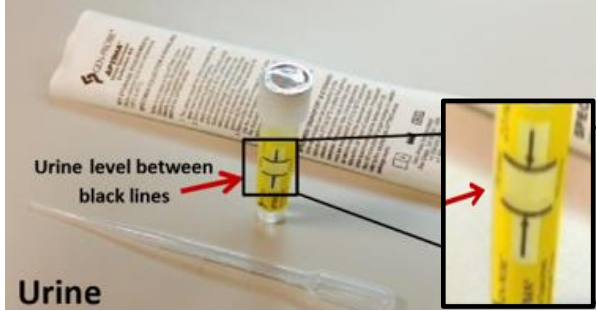


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<p>Alternative Swab for GC culture if available</p> 	<p>GC Culture (any source) Genital Culture</p>	<p>DO NOT USE FOR</p> <p>Viral Culture Amplified Probes Genital Strep Screen</p>
<p>VIRAL VTM Virology Transport Media</p> 	<p>Viral Culture Respiratory Sepsis</p> <p>COVID-19 RSV DFA Herpes Culture VZ Culture Flu A / B Culture Chlamydia Culture</p>	<p>DO NOT USE FOR</p> <p>CSF Viral Culture Aerobic Cultures Anaerobic Cultures AFB or Fungus Cultures</p>
<p>Anaerobic Sterile Transport Media</p> 	<p>Anaerobic Culture Aerobic Culture</p> <p>Can be used for fluids, aspirate, bone chips or pieces and tissues. Keep the tube upright while the cap is off. Bone or tissue can be placed at the surface of the media.</p> <p>This is best for tissue transport so specimen will not dry out.</p>	<p>DO NOT USE FOR</p> <p>Viral Culture Amplified Probes</p>

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<p style="text-align: center;">Cont- STL Sterile Transport Cup</p> 	<p style="text-align: center;">Sterile samples Large volumes of fluid Large tissue samples (Cover with enough sterile saline to keep tissue moist)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Best specimens are tissues fluids and abscess aspirated (pus) Stool for C. difficile PCR</p>	<div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Stool must be liquid, semi-liquid, or slushy</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i><u>Formed stools will be rejected!</u></i></p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Stool Culture Transport</p> 	<p style="text-align: center;">Orange Para-Pak C&S <i>Stool culture only</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">DO NOT USE FOR</p> <p style="text-align: center;">O&P Viral Culture WBCS (polys)</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">O & P Para- Pak Or Total Fix, Stool Vial</p> 	<p style="text-align: center;">Ova and Parasites</p> <p style="text-align: center;">O&P Giardia DFA or Antigen Cryptosporidium Isopora / Cyclospora Mircosporidium</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">DO NOT USE FOR</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Routine Stool Cultures Viral Cultures AFB or Fungal Cultures WBC (polys)</p>

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<p style="text-align: center;">Amplified Probes</p>  <p style="text-align: center;">Unisex</p>  <p style="text-align: center;">Urine</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Urine level between black lines</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">GC and/ or Chlamydia trachomatis Amplified Probe collection kits</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Unisex – Blue Swab Female -Endocervical Male -Urethral</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Urine- Yellow Tube Male/ Female</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Refer to the appropriate collection instructions on the back of the kit packing or the packing inserts</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Unisex Swab <u>DO NOT</u> send the white swab for testing. Break off the swab at perforation, Only</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Do Not use scissors to cut</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Urine Swab Urine Collection- First Void The patient should NOT have urinated for at least 1 hour prior to collection. Collect the first 20-30 mL of voided urine</p> <p style="text-align: center;">(NOT MIDSTREAM) Urine Must be between fill lines or will be <u>rejected</u>.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">BBL Culture Swab</p> 	<p style="text-align: center;">Bordetella Pertussis Para Pertussis by PCR [NP Swab] (PCRPERT)</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">SPS</p> 	<p style="text-align: center;">AFB Blood Culture Blood Culture for Fungus Legionella Culture Bone Marrow, Culture, Bone Marrow</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Only available in 8.3mL</p>