

Microbiology (Culture) Swabs and Collection Devices

BBL CultureSwab®

Used for a variety of culture sites including but not limited to:

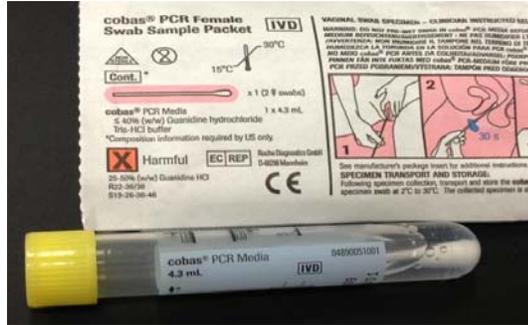
- Eye
- Genital
- Throat
- Wound



Specimen Container Code
CT

cobas® PCR Female Swab Sample Packet

Used to detect presence of Chlamydia and/or Gonococcus (GC). Contains 2 cotton swabs. Use one to remove excess mucus from cervical os before collecting sample with other swab. It is not necessary to collect this swab if Thinprep Pap is obtained. Not to be used for medico-legal indications.

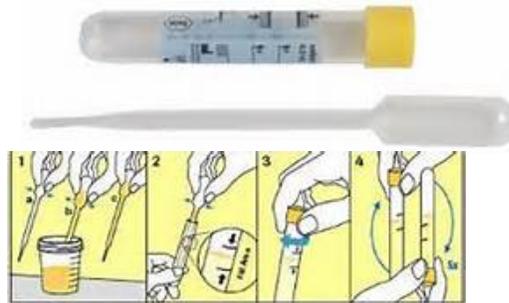


Specimen Container Code
AMPF

Cannot be used for Trichomonas

cobas® PCR Urine Sample Packet

Used to detect presence of Chlamydia and/or Gonococcus (GC). May be used for male or female collection. It is not necessary to collect this swab on females if Thinprep Pap is obtained. Not to be used for medico-legal indications.



Specimen Container Code
AMPU

First voided urine collected in clean sterile container may also be submitted for testing. Must use this kit if sample will not reach the lab within 24 hours.

Aptima Gen-Probe

Used to test for Bacterial Vaginosis and/or Candida (yeast) speciation.

If also testing for GC and/or Chlamydia, please submit the BD ProbeTec swab in addition to the Aptima swab.



Specimen Container Code
APTIMA



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Sputum Collection Container

Sputum container with double-wall construction. Must follow directions shown on container for proper collection and transport to laboratory



Specimen Container Code **SPU**

Urine Culture Transport Tube

Urine vacutainer tube with boric acid preservative.

For urine culture only - not suitable for Urinalysis. Thoroughly mix urine before adding to tube. Once added, mix to dissolve preservative.



Specimen Container Code **UVT**

Viral Transport Swab

For isolation of most viruses. Follow directions listed in Reference Manual for specific collection and/or transport requirements.



Specimen Container Code **VCM**

Blood Culture Bottles (BacT/ALERT®)

BCB = BacT/ALERT SN. Blue top aerobic bottle. Add 8-10 ml blood or bone marrow.*

BCP = BacT/ALERT SA. Purple top anaerobic bottle. Add 8-10 ml blood or bone marrow.*

*Adding proper blood volume to each bottle is critical in the detection of bacterial growth. If only 8-10 ml can be obtained on patient, inoculate entire sample into aerobic bottle only.

Sending other brands of blood culture bottles may cause delay in results.



Specimen Container Code **BCB** (aerobic bottle) and **BCP** (anaerobic bottle)



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