Urine Vacutainer with Boric Acid Preservative

This is the main collection/transport device used for Urine Cultures.

- Urine Culture (URNC)
- Urine Culture Catheter (URCATH)

Tube Type: URGRAY



Stool Collection Devices

BLACK TOP—Total-Fix medium for parasitological evaluation.

YELLOW TOP - Cary-Blair for the Comprehensive GI Panel by PCR or Targeted Culturing (CGIPCR/TOCURE)

CLEAR TOP—Clean Vial used for raw unpreserved stool for *Clostridium* difficile by PCR, Occult Blood Testing, or *Helicobacter pylori*.



Tube Type:

Black - TOTFIX

Yellow - CARY BL

Clear - CLEAN

Abbott Multi-Collect Vaginal/Urethral or Urine Collection System

This collection devise is strictly for the use on the Abbott M2000 instrument for the detection of *Neisseria* gonorrhoeae and *Chlamydia* trachomatis by PCR







Standard Sterile Container

Used when sending large volumes of fluid sterile fluids, tissues (bacterial or unknown culture), biopsies, cath tips, CSF, or Respiratory Specimens.

May also be used for (but not limited to): urine or stool for unknown virus culture, C. diff by PCR or if other collection devices are not available.

Vaginal fluid is to be sent on a dry swab with a submission tube for Bacterial Vaginosis Antigen.



For BVAG

only

Tube Type: STERCON

E Swab Transport System

The UK Hospital Microbiology Department has a Walk-Away Specimen Processor (WASP). This robotic processor uses liquid transport media to process routine cultures such as wounds, throat, eyes, ears and surveillance (infection control) cultures.

Should also be used for:

- \Rightarrow Group B Streptococcus by PCR
- $\Rightarrow \; \mathsf{MRSA} \; \mathsf{by} \; \mathsf{PCR}$
- ⇒ Rapid Trichomonas assay
- \Rightarrow Rapid Strep Throat assay (Group A *Streptococcus*)

Universal Viral Transport Media (VTM)

VTM should be used with Nasopharyngeal (NP) specimens for the Comprehensive Respiratory Panel by PCR.

It can also be used for:

Tube Type:

VTM

Tube Type:

ESWAB

- \Rightarrow Chalmydia CULTURE (not PCR)
- ⇒ Unknown Virus Culture
- ⇒ Viral Respiratory Battery
- ⇒ Herpes simplex by PCR or Culture for lesions/mucosal sites (not for CSF!!!)



