









WHICH SWAB FOR PCR?

Quick Reference for Non-Respiratory PCR Swab Collection

This does *not* list every acceptable sample type for these tests; other sample types may be acceptable.

For more information refer to the lab test menu, www.intermountainlab.org, or call Client Services (24/7): 801-507-2110 or 877-353-1106.

This quick reference is *not* intended to aid with bacterial culture, viral culture, or respiratory PCR swab collection.

COLLECTION DEVICE		# OF SWABS	USE FOR	DO NOT USE FOR
Flocked swab in UTM		1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HSVPCR • VARPCR 	MRSPCR
Swab in M4		1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HSVPCR • VARPCR 	MRSPCR
RED swab		1 or 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HSVPCR • VARPCR • MRSPCR 	
GREEN swab		1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MRSPCR • HSVPCR • VARPCR 	
AFFIRM	 Vaginosis panel: Candida, Gardnerella, Trichomonas	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AFFIRM only 	Any other test(s)
APTIMA	<p>Unisex collection </p> <p>Vaginal self collection </p> <p>Urine (no swab) </p>	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GCLPCR • GCPCR • CLMPPCR 	Any other test(s)