

SFMC Microbiology Swab Chart

FEMALE: Cobas Female Collection kit



Transport Temp: Ambient (Room Temp) or Refrigerated Site: Endo-cervix, Cervix or Vaginal (Female Collection kit) Chlamydia/GC (CGPRB) (LAB826)

UNISEX (MALE or FEMALE): Urine Collection kit



Transport Temp: Ambient (Room Temp) or Refrigerated

Fresh urine can be labeled and sent in urine cup if refrigerated and arrival at lab within 24hrs. If arrival time at the lab will be greater than 24hrs (please consider courier travel time), urine must be transferred into the PCR media tube and can be transported ambient or refrigerated.

Anaerobic Culture (CULANA) (LAB898) – Anaerobic System

E-Swab: Contains liquid preservative (ensure cap is securely fastened).



Transport Temp: Ambient (Room Temp)

Site: Wounds, Surgical Site (superficial wounds are not acceptable)

Aerobic (Wound) Culture (AE) (LAB897)
Gram Stain (LAB1126)

E-Swab (PREFERRED): Contains liquid preservative (ensure cap is securely fastened)



OR



Red Top Swab (ACCEPTABLE): only if E-Swab is not available.

Transport Temp: Ambient (Room Temp)
Site: Please specify site of collection

Rapid Group A Strep Screen** (THRAP) (LAB1548)
Group A Strep Culture Only (THSTR) (LAB927)

Red Top Swab



Transport Temp: Ambient (Room Temp)

Site: Throat

NOTE: If result is Negative, a THSTR is ordered automatically.

Respiratory Pathogen Array (RESPA) (LAB2944)
Influenza Antigen (FLU) (LAB1217)
Respiratory Syncytial Virus AG Detection (RESSY) (LAB1424)
Bordetella Pertussis by PCR (PERRT) (LAB1827)

1 mL Universal Transport Medium w/Flocked Swab



Transport: Refrigerated Site: Nasopharyngeal

Black Top Swab



Group B Strep Culture (GPBST) (LAB910)

Transport Temp: Ambient (Room Temp) or Refrigerated Site: Genital or Rectal (*label swab with site*)

GC Culture (GCC) (LAB909)

Black Top Swab



Transport Temp: Ambient (Room Temp) or Refrigerated
Site: Urethral, Cervical, Anal, Rectal, Throat (label swab with site)
NOTE: Deliver to laboratory within 24 hours of collection.

MRSA by PCR (PCRMSA) (LAB1294)
MRSA Culture (MRSAC) (LAB912)
PRE-SURG MRSA/SA by PCR (SRGSAM) (LAB 2363)

Red Top Swab



Transport Temp: Ambient (Room Temp) or Refrigerated Site: Please specify site of collection

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Lower Respiratory (Sputum/Bronchial) Culture (LAB916)

Sterile, Leak-Proof container



Transport Temp: Refrigerated Site: Lower Respiratory Tract

NOTE: Patient should produce sputum sample from a deep cough.

Chlamydia trachomatis, Miscellaneous Sites, by Nucleic Acid Amplification (sent to Mayo - MCTGC) (LAB5029)

Aptima Collection Multitest Swab: Contains liquid preservative (ensure cap is securely fastened).



Transport Temp: Refrigerated

Site: Oral/Throat, Ocular (Corneal/Conjunctiva), Rectal/Anal (label swab with site)

Non-CSF Herpes Simplex Virus DNA Real Time PCR

(HSVNON)(LAB3774)

1 mL Universal Transport Medium w/Flocked Swab or MS Viral



Transport Temp: Refrigerated

Site: Eye Exudate, Nasal, Cervical, Lesions, Ulcers, Vesicles, Throat, Washings

Trichomonas, Candida, Gardnerella (VAGSCR) (LAB1783)

BD Affirm Collection kit

NOTE: See Affirm VPIII transport system insert





Transport Temp: Ambient (Room Temp)

Site: Vaginal

NOTE: See image of transport requirement - make sure the specimen itself is

labeled, not just urine cup.

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