

# Which swab/specimen for which test?

## Bacterial Culture Swab (Purple cap)



Bacterial culture and Gram stain, Candida/yeast, Bacterial culture

Order No: 12171

## Virology PCR

Including Covid, Measles, Mumps, HSV/VZV, and Pertussis PCR



Use flexible flock swab and place inside the UTM PCR vial

Keep swabs in fridge

PLEASE NOTE: Do not use for Chlamydia PCR

Red, white or purple top will be supplied interchangeably

Order No: 18943

## Chlamydia/N.Gono/Trichomonas (White Cap)



**Females** – Cervical swab or self-collect vulvo-vaginal swab

**Males** – Urethral swab  
The blue swab is the only swab to be placed in the collection tube.

The **white shaft** swab is a **cleaning swab** which is used to remove excess mucus from the cervix it must not be placed in the tube.

Order No: 15066

## Urine for MSU



Collect in a yellow top pot or urine tube. Twist the top of urine tube off, pour in urine sample until it is  $\frac{3}{4}$  full, and replace top twisting on

Keep urines in fridge

Order No: 12086

## BD SurePath Liquid-based Pap Test






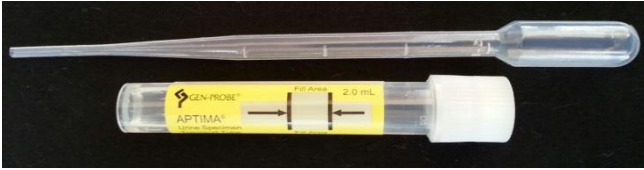

Order No. 12477 SurePath Cervix Broom  
12478 SurePath Cytobrush & Spatula  
12479 SurePath Vial  
12964 SurePath Vial Base Stand

## HPV self-collect swab (Copan 552C)



This swab can only be used for HPV testing  
(This is not a viral swab and cannot be used for any other virus)

## Collection of Urogenital Specimens

Pathogen of Interest	Collection Device	Site/specimen	Request Form/notes
Group B Streptococcus screen in pregnancy, 35-37 weeks gestation	 <b>Order No: 12171</b>	Low vaginal <b>then</b> rectal (i.e. same swab – can be self-collect) <sup>1</sup>	GBS screen, pregnancy, 35-37 weeks gestation
Candida/yeast		High vaginal swab <sup>2</sup>	Symptomatic patients
Bacterial Vaginosis		High vaginal swab <sup>2</sup>	Symptomatic patients aged 13-60y
Chlamydia & Gonorrhoea (Male)	 <b>Order No: 15067</b>	First void urine (Male)	Chlamydia, Gonorrhoea NAAT
Chlamydia Gonorrhoea Trichomonas (Female)		Self-collect vaginal swab or cervical swab	Chlamydia, Gonorrhoea, Trichomonas (on request) NAAT

<sup>1</sup> The combined low vaginal swab then rectal swab can **only** be used for Group B Streptococcus culture

<sup>2</sup> Only one high vaginal swab is required for Candida and Bacterial Vaginosis examination