



Microbiology Collection Guidelines

Note: The following collection guidelines are only for the tests listed below.

ESWAB™ 1

Healthcare providers are encouraged to use the ESwab that best fits the specimen source and patient. ESwabs are interchangeable for all cultures in the section listed below.

6007	Culture, Routine
6010	Culture, Anaerobic
6028	Culture, Environmental
6052	Culture, Genital
6012	Culture, MRSA
6036	Culture, Nasopharynx
6108	Culture, Strep-A Screen, Non-Throat
6047	Culture, Strep-A Screen, Throat
6079	Culture, Strep-B - Pregnancy (vaginal and rectal)
6046	Culture, Throat
6077	Culture, Fungus Non-Blood or Skin
7708	GBS-PCR, Pen Allergic, Reflex Sensi
6061	Group-A Strep Rapid, Reflex Culture
3151	Group-B Strep Screen by PCR
4591	Influenza A & B Antigen (preferred collection method)*

* Not suitable for 6128 Acid Fast Culture, 6130 Acid Fast Smear & Culture, 6126 Acid Fast Smear.
* Must be submitted refrigerated.



Recommended for nose, throat, female genitalia, and wounds.

Recommended for eye, ear, nasal passages, and urogenital tracts.

Recommended for nasopharynx and pediatric sample collection.

Roche COBAS Urine Collection Kit 2

4335	Chlamydia/Gonorrhea, NAAT
5399	Chlamydia, NAAT
5397	Gonorrhea, NAAT
3913	<i>Trichomonas</i> , NAAT, FEMALE ONLY
4445	<i>Trichomonas</i> , NAAT, MALE ONLY



² Be sure to fill specimen in between lines on vial

COBAS PCR Media Dual Swab Kit

3920	Bacterial Vaginosis, PCR (ESwab also acceptable)	WOVEN
3914	<i>Candida</i> , PCR (ESwab also acceptable)	WOVEN OR FLOCK
5249	Chlamydia/Gonorrhea, NAAT, Swab	WOVEN
3755	Chlamydia/Gonorrhea, Rectal AND Pharyngeal	WOVEN
3770	Chlamydia/Gonorrhea, Rectal OR Pharyngeal	WOVEN OR FLOCK
5398	Chlamydia, NAAT, Swab	WOVEN OR FLOCK
5396	Gonorrhea, NAAT, Swab	WOVEN OR FLOCK
3742	HSV 1/2 and VZV by PCR	WOVEN OR FLOCK
3915	HSV I AND II, PCR (ESwab also acceptable)	WOVEN
3911	<i>Trichomonas</i> , NAAT, Cervical Swab	FLOCK
4445	<i>Trichomonas</i> , NAAT, Male Urine/Swab	URETHRAL

COBAS PCR Media Dual Swab Kit (Continued)

3910	<i>Trichomonas</i> , NAAT, Vaginal Swab	WOVEN
3534	Urogenital Urea/Mycoplasma, PCR (ESwab also acceptable)	WOVEN OR FLOCK
3740	<i>Varicella zoster</i> by PCR	WOVEN OR FLOCK

Vaginal collection = woven swab
Endocervical = flock swab



M4RT Viral Transport 3

6069	Herpes Simplex, TMA
4591	Influenza A/B Antigen (acceptable collection method)

³ Must be stored refrigerated after collection.



M6 or UTM Viral Transport 4, 5

6096	<i>B. pertussis/parapertussis</i> by PCR
6326	COVID-19, Influenza A/B, and RSV by PCR
3738	Influenza A/B and RSV by PCR
3795	Respiratory Pathogen Panel by PCR

⁴ Must be refrigerated after collection.

⁵ Please contact your local CPL customer service for additional referral tests requiring viral transport media.



BD Affirm VP III

2030	Vaginal Pathogens DNA Panel (<i>Candida</i> species, <i>Gardnerella vaginalis</i> and <i>Trichomonas vaginalis</i>)
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Plain Red-Top Tube 6

6110	KOH Prep (Fungal Smear)
6105	Wet Prep (Wet Mount)

⁶ Genital swab in 1 mL sterile saline.



Tissue / Sterile Collection Containers

6128	Culture, Acid Fast
6130	Culture, Acid Fast and Smear
6107	Culture, Body Fluid
6077	Culture, Fungus Non-Blood or Skin
6007	Culture, Routine



Please transport all specimens to the laboratory within 24 hours to maintain specimen integrity.

For further information, please refer to our website, www.cpllabs.com