

# Microbiology and Molecular Swab Guide

#### eswab™ used for:

Culture, Bacterial with gram stain - #601

Culture, Anaerobic - #613

Culture, Beta strep throat - #688

GBS (Group B strep) Assay by PCR - #1614

Culture, Ear - #2611

Culture, Eye - #2612

Culture, Respiratory bacterial with gram stain - #2614

Culture, Genital - #2613



Mini tip eswab (nasal or urethral)

**Handling:** Room temperature

Stability: 72 hours

List sample source/collection site on specimen and requisition

**Note:** One eswab<sup>™</sup> may be submitted for both aerobic and anaerobic culture from the same collection site.

## **BD Universal Viral Transport Media used for:**

HSV (Herpes Simplex Virus) 1 and 2 Assay by PCR

Handling: Refrigerated Stability: 14 days

Swab from cutaneous and mucocutaneous lesions

List sample source/collection site on specimen and requisition

Also acceptable for:





#### Micro Test™ M4® viral transport used for:

Bordetella Pertussis & Parapertussis by Real-Time PCR - #8201 Influenza A & B (Alere™i) Rapid Molecular - #1592 Respiratory Viral Panel PCR - #1427

RSV - #197

Viral culture, non-respiratory - #605

Handling: Refrigerated Stability: See individual test

**Note:** M4 media is stored in the refrigerator

(before and after sample collection)







Affirm™ test VPIII Ambient Temperature Transport System used for:

Affirm VPIII DNA (Vaginitis) - #678 (includes Trichomonas, Gardnerella, Candida)

**Handling**: Room temperature (or refrigerated)

Stability: 72 hours



#### **Aptima® Unisex Collection Swab used for:**

Chlamydia/GC PCR, Swab - #1982 Chlamydia/GC/Trichomonas Panel by PCR - #2000

**Handling:** Room temperature (or refrigerated)

Stability: 60 days

Note: Submit blue collection swab only



# **Aptima® Urine Specimen Collection Kit used for:**

Chlamydia/GC PCR, Urine - #2182 Chlamydia/GC/Trichomonas Panel by PCR - #2000

**Handling:** Room temperature (or refrigerated)

Stability: Urine samples that are still in the primary collection container must be transported to the lab at 2°C to 30°C. Transfer the urine sample into the APTIMA urine specimen transport tube within 24 hours of collection. Store at 2°C to 30°C and test within 30 days of collection.

Note: Patient should not have urinated for at least 1 hour prior to specimen collection



### OneSwab® (PCR) Transport used for:

Bacterial Vaginosis Panel by Real-Time PCR - #7670 Candida Vaginitis Panel by Real-Time PCR - #7639 Leukorrhea Panel by Real-Time PCR - #7641 Mycoplasma Panel by PCR - #7629 Ureaplasma urealyticum by Real-Time PCR - #7644



**Handling:** Ambient

Stability: See individual tests