











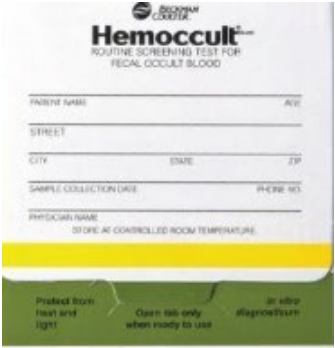

Specimen Transport Pictorial

Collection Media/Swab	Name of Media	Acceptable Testing	Special Instructions
	<p>Anaerobic Transport Media</p>	<p>Tissue (<5mm) for aerobic & anaerobe culture (AERS, ANAE)</p> <p>or</p> <p>Fluid specimens collected in syringe</p>	<p><u>Tissue samples:</u> open the screw cap and place tissue on the surface of the semi-solid medium; inserting the tissue into the gel is not necessary. Immediately close the tube. Oxygen contact within the medium should be minimized</p> <p>Transport at room temperature.</p>
	<p>APTIMA Urine specimen collection kit (yellow labeled tube)</p>	<p>Chlamydia-Nucleic acid method (CH-NAM) GC- Nucleic acid method (GC-NAM) Trichomonas- Nucleic acid method (TRICNAM)</p>	<p>Collection instruction on kit or on-line reference manual.</p> <p>20-30 mL of first catch urine.</p>
	<p>APTIMA Multitest swab collection kit (orange labeled tube) Vaginal (CH/GC/TRIC, VAGNAT) Cervical (CH/GC/TRIC) Rectal, Throat (CH/GC only)</p>	<p>Chlamydia-Nucleic acid method (CH-NAM) GC- Nucleic acid method (GC-NAM) Trichomonas- Nucleic acid method (TRICNAM) Acute Vaginitis by PCR Bacterial Vaginosis (VAGNAT)</p>	<p>Collection instruction on kit or on-line reference manual.</p>

	<p>Copan Transystem Dual Swab</p>	<p>MRSA PCR (MRSAD) – nasal MRSA, MSSA PCR (SA-NAT) - nasal</p>	<p>Place both swabs into the tube for transport.</p> <p>**Do not cut or break swabs off to place them in the tube**</p>
	<p>ESwab Purple Cap/Clear Liquid</p>	<p>Rapid Strep PCR (GASNAT)</p>	<p>ESwab: collect one throat swab for rapid nucleic PCR test.</p>
	<p>ESwab White Cap/Clear Liquid</p>	<p>Aerobic/Anaerobic Culture (AERS, ANAE)</p> <p>Fungal Culture (FUNG)</p> <p>Group B Strep PCR (GBSNAT)</p> <p>Genital Tract Female Culture (AERS)</p> <p>Gram stain, if appropriate</p> <p>MRSA, MSSA PCR (SA-NAT) – nasal</p> <p>MRSA PCR (MRSAD) - nasal</p>	<p>ESwab information:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Liquid at the bottom of tube must be present. If spilled, discard & obtain new vial. 2. Only use swab provided with collection kit. 3. Do Not place tissue, bone, or fluid into ESwab transport system.
	<p>ESwab (mini) Green Cap/Clear Liquid (Pediatrics, eyes, ears, etc.)</p>	<p>Aerobic/Anaerobic Culture (AERS, ANAE)</p> <p>Fungal Culture (FUNG)</p> <p>Genital Tract Male Culture (AERS)</p> <p>Gram stain, if appropriate</p>	<p>Note: swab collection is not optimal for the recovery of anaerobes and fungi. While acceptable, other sample types are preferred.</p> <p>ESwabs are NOT accepted for Mycobacteria culture or fungal smears.</p>

	<p>Sterile Sage Cup</p>	<p>Urine Culture (URNS)</p> <p>Tissue Specimens (>5mm) submitted for aerobe, anaerobe, fungus, & AFB</p> <p>Fecal Bacterial Pathogens by PCR (SSCSNAT)</p> <p>Enteric Parasite Panel (EPPNAT)</p> <p>Enteric Viral Panel by PCR (EVPNAT)</p> <p>C. difficile toxin (CDNAT)</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Urine – Refrigerate immediately 2. Tissue – hydrate w/1-2 drops sterile saline; maintain at room temp. 3. Feces – Refrigerate
	<p>Liquid Dental Transport</p>	<p>Fluids & Aspirates – for anaerobe culture (ANAE)</p>	<p>Cleanse rubber stopper. Inject fluid or aspirate, but do not inject air.</p> <p>Room temperature</p>
	<p>BACT/Alert FAN-Plus Blood Culture Set</p>	<p>Blood Culture (BLD)</p>	<p>Room temperature</p> <p>Avoid placing labels over barcodes or fill line</p>
	<p>Eco-Fix Vial</p>	<p>Ova and Parasite Comprehensive Exam (MICR0011)</p> <p>Sent to Sanford Laboratories Sioux Falls</p>	<p>Request EcoFix kit from lab.</p> <p>Transport at room temperature</p>

	<p>Cary Blair</p>	<p>Extended Gastrointestinal Panel, NAT (EGIPNAT)</p>	<p>Remove cap and place approximately 1 gram of the raw stool into the transport medium or a sufficient amount to bring the liquid level up to the "fill to here" line.</p> <p>Transport at refrigeration temperatures</p>
	<p>Viral Transport Media (UTM) Respiratory Samples (Red Cap/Pink Liquid) Contains NP Swab</p>	<p>Bordetella pertussis by PCR (BORDPCR)</p> <p>Extended Respiratory Panel by PCR (hospital patients only) (ERP NAT)</p> <p>Influenza A/B, RSV, and COVID (ABCRNAT)</p>	<p>Refrigerate</p>
	<p>Viral Transport Media (UTM) Non-Respiratory Samples (Red Cap/Pink Liquid) Contains standard swab</p>	<p>Herpes Simplex (HS12PCR) and Varicella Zoster (VZVPCR)</p> <p>Ureaplasma PCR (URRP)</p> <p>Mycoplasma PCR (MHRP, MGRP)</p>	<p>Refrigerate</p>
	<p>Full Term Fetal Fibronectin Specimen Collection Kit</p>	<p>Fetal Fibronectin (FFN)</p>	<p>Collection instructions on kit packaging. Specimens collected in anything other than FFN kit are unacceptable.</p>

 <p>A small, clear plastic vial with a green cap and a white base. The label on the vial reads 'OC-Light', 'Name', 'DOB', 'Date', and 'Polymedco'.</p>	<p>Polymedco Sample Device</p>	<p>Stool for occult blood; Fecal Immunochemical Test (FIT)</p>	<p>Room Temperature DO NOT cover the fil seal at the bottom.</p>
 <p>A white card with a green header and footer. The header says 'Beckman Coulter Hemocult ROUTINE SCREENING TEST FOR FECAL OCCULT BLOOD'. The card has fields for 'PATIENT NAME', 'AGE', 'STREET', 'CITY', 'STATE', 'ZIP', 'SAMPLE COLLECTION DATE', and 'PHYSICIAN NAME'. It also includes instructions: 'STORE AT CONTROLLED ROOM TEMPERATURE' and 'Protect from heat and light. Clean this only when ready to use. An IDEP diagnostic device'.</p>	<p>Beckman Coulter Hemocult Card</p>	<p>Occult Blood, Stool Test (OCC)</p>	<p>Sample should be applied directly to Hemocult cards immediately after specimen collection. If card not available send refrigerated stool sample (Sage Container)</p>
 <p>A white instruction packet for the AmniSure ROM Test and a clear plastic vial with a blue cap. The vial label reads 'AmniSure ROM Test Solution', '1.5 ml/vial', '157', '1365', '10-13', '2c-4', and 'Sanofi-Aventis, Kenilworth, NJ 07033'.</p>	<p>AmniSure® ROM Test Specimen Collection Kit</p>	<p>Amnisure Rupture of Membranes (ASURE)</p>	<p>**Only Hospital Birth Centers (acute) and OB/GYN clinics (ambulatory).** Send vial to lab at room temperature</p>