

cobas[®] PCR Dual or Uni Swab Sample Kit

For *Chlamydia trachomatis* and *Neisseria gonorrhoeae*

Instructions¹ for self-collection of vaginal sample

Preparing for sample collection:

- Undress to expose the vaginal area.
- Put yourself in a comfortable position.
- Remove the collection tube and one swab from the collection kit.

If you are using the cobas[®] PCR Media Dual Swab Sample Kit, do not use the flocked swab for vaginal sample collection
Do not pre-wet swab in cobas[®] PCR Media or any other liquid before collection

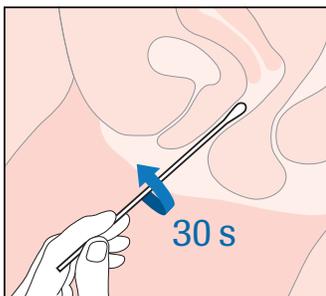
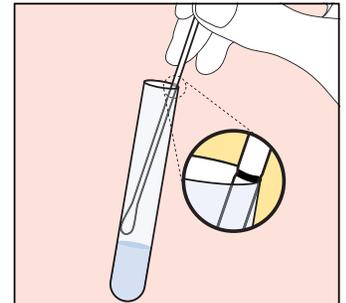


1. POSITION:

Hold the woven swab in one hand and with the other hand separate the folds of skin around the vaginal opening (labia). **Do not touch** the swab tip or lay it down. If it happens, use the second swab.

4. ALIGN:

Lower the woven swab specimen into the tube until the visible **dark line** on the swab shaft is aligned with the tube rim. The tip of the swab should be just above the liquid in the tube.

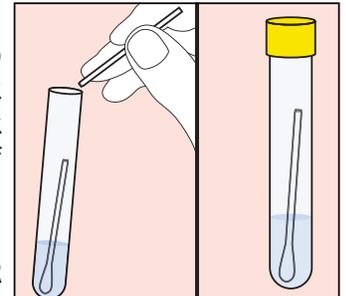


2. COLLECT:

Insert the woven swab about **5 cm (2 inches)** into the vaginal opening. Gently turn the swab for about **30 seconds** while rubbing the swab against the wall of the vagina. Remove the swab carefully. **Do not let** the swab **touch to any surface** before placing it into the collection tube.

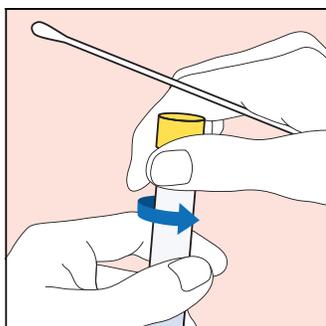
5. BREAK:

Carefully leverage the woven swab against the tube rim to **break the swab shaft at the dark line**. Discard the top portion of the swab.



6. CLOSE:

Tightly re-cap the cobas[®] PCR Media tube. **Return** the sample to your healthcare provider as instructed. **If you are using the cobas[®] PCR Media Dual Swab Sample Kit, discard the second unused swab (flocked swab).**



3. OPEN :

While holding the woven swab in the same hand, remove the cap from the tube as shown in the diagram.

HANDLING PRECAUTIONS:

The collection tube media can cause irritation if contacted with skin or other body parts.

In case the contents of the tube are accidentally spilled, do not attempt to clean up. Immediately notify your healthcare provider for appropriate action.

Transport : 2°C to 30°C

THE SPECIMEN WILL BE REJECTED IF THERE IS:

- Presence of two swabs within the same tube
- No swab or flocked swab within the tube
- Excess of blood (> 5%)



¹ Individual collecting or directing the collection of samples should consult the complete instructions for use.