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Performing Location(s)

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Specimen Type

Vaginal swab immersed in buffer

Preferred Container

Must use Cytyc Specimen Collection Kit

Minimum Volume

250 uL

Storage Requirements

Specimens that are not tested within eight (8) hours of collection must be stored refrigerated at $2 - 8^{\circ}$ C and assayed within three (3) days of collection, or frozen at $0 - 20^{\circ}$ C and assayed within three (3) months.

Store appropriately and avoid extreme temperatures.

Discard specimens into a biohazard receptacle after testing is complete.

Transportation Needs

Room Temperature within 8 hours Refrigerated within 3 days Frozen within 3 months

Causes of Rejection

Mislabeled or unlabeled specimen

Specimens collected in or by any sample device other than the Cytyc Specimen Collection Kit Specimens with insufficient volume for testing.

Specimens which were not frozen and received >3 days after the sampling date.

Specimens received at temperatures > 25° C

Specimens subjected to more than one freeze-thaw cycle

Bloody specimen

> 8 hours at room temperature

>3 days refrigerated

Reference Values

Population	Units	Reference Range
All populations	None	Negative

Available STAT

Yes

Methodology Lateral flow, solid-phase immunochromatographic assay

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