

Specimen Types for *Chlamydia trachomatis* and *Neisseria gonorrhoeae* by APTIMA Combo 2 Assay

TMA SPECIMEN REQUIREMENTS

SWAB DOS Codes: 7438SW, 7437SW, 2932SW

	Ambient	Refrigerated	Frozen
Gen Probe APTIMA Swab	60 days	60 days	90 days
LCx Swab	4 days	4 days	60 days
Swab in M4 media for CT culture	3 days	3 days	60 days
Swab in M4 media for GC	3 days	3 days	60 days
Swab for GC culture	3 days	3 days	DO NOT FREEZE
Swab for CT DFA	2 days	2 days	DO NOT FREEZE
ThinPrep Swab (Cytoc's PreservCyt® solution)	21 days	21 days	DO NOT FREEZE
SurePath Swab (TriPath's CytoRich preservative liquid) OR	28 days	6 months	DO NOT FREEZE
AutoCyte Prep Tube (TriPath CytoRich preservative liquid) Swab	28 days	6 months	DO NOT FREEZE

URINE DOS Codes: 7438U, 7437U, 2932U

APTIMA Combo 2 urine transport tube	30 days	30 days	90 days
Original urine transport container*	1 day	1 day	60 days

UNACCEPTABLE SPECIMENS for above tests

Digene Cervical Swab (Digene Specimen Transport Media)

GenProbe PACE Transport Media

7438SW	<i>Chlamydia trach/Neisseria</i> rRNA Plus [TMA] Swab
7438U	<i>Chlamydia trach/Neisseria</i> rRNA UR-Sure™ Plus [TMA] Urine
7437SW	<i>Chlamydia trachomatis</i> rRNA Detection [TMA] Swab
7437U	<i>Chlamydia trachomatis</i> rRNA Detection [TMA] Urine
2932SW	<i>Neisseria gonorrhoeae</i> rRNA [TMA] Swab
2932U	<i>Neisseria gonorrhoeae</i> rRNA [TMA] Urine