

Procedure

Key Notes Regarding Specimen Collection

Specimens may include oral, vaginal urethral and rectal swabs.

All specimens should be handled according to the CDC-NIH recommendations for potentially infectious human serum, blood or other body fluids and materials.

Materials Provided

- InTray GC test(s)

Materials Required but Not Provided

- Sterile inoculation tool, i.e. Dacron[®], rayon or cotton swab with charcoal transport medium.⁵
- Laboratory incubator capable of incubation at 37°C (98.6°F)

1- Prepare InTray



Allow the InTray to warm to 18-25°C (64-77°F)! Manually pull the lower right corner (adjacent to the clear window) back so that the protective seal is completely visible.

Remove the seal by pulling the tab and discard.

2 - Inoculate Sample



Inoculate the specimen by rolling the sample swab on the surface of the medium in a large "C" pattern for maximum transfer. For isolated colonies, cross-streak with the sterile inoculation tool.

3- Puncture Seal



Before incubation, puncture the seal over the CO₂ Chamber with the pointed object.

4 - Secure InTray



FIRMLY RESEAL InTray by pressing the edges of the label and the plastic tray together. Complete the label with patient information in accordance with your laboratory requirements.

After inoculation, open InTray only in a BSL-2 rated biological safety cabinet.