

Test Name

NEISSERIA GONORRHOEAE, URINE

Synonyms

GONOCOCCUS, GC, N. GONORRHEA, NG

Intended Use / Indications

Detect *Neisseria gonorrhoeae* (GC) to aid in the diagnosis of gonococcal disease

Methodology

Target amplification nucleic acid probe for rRNA

Test Code

899

Specimen Type

>15 mL first catch urine

Preferred Container

Urine collection cup free of preservatives

Alternate Container

Aptima Urine Transport Tube

Minimum Volume

>15 mL urine

Temperature/Stability

Store 2-30°C; ship to the laboratory within 24 hours of collection. In Aptima Urine Transport tube, stability is 30 days.

Handling

Patient should not have urinated 1 hour prior to collection. If urine is transferred to an Aptima Urine Transport Tube, the liquid level must fall between the two black indicator lines on the tube label. Otherwise, the specimen must be rejected.

Reject

Urine <15 mL; urine cup received >24 hours after collection.

Limitations and Additional Information

First catch female urine specimens are acceptable but may detect up to 10% fewer GC infections when compared with vaginal and endocervical swab specimens. Performance characteristics are available upon request.

Expected TAT: 3 business days