

# SPECIMEN PREPARATION & STORAGE

Test /Specimen	Collection	Storage
Biopsy/Tissue Examination	10% Neutral Buffered Formalin	Room Temperature
Chlamydia (w/ThinPrep® Pap)	ThinPrep® Vial	Room Temperature
Chromosome Analysis /POC	Contact lab for collection medium	Per Lab Instruction
Cytology/Body Fluids	Fresh, No Fixative. For Body Fluids 50cc or less add 30cc of Cytolyt	Refrigeration
Cytology/ Fine Needle Aspiration (FNA) Fluids	Cytolyt Vials/Glass Slides in 95% Alcohol	Room Temperature
Cytology/ Non GYN Smears	Glass Slides in 95% Alcohol	Room Temperature
DNA with Pap (Cervical) (PAP & HPV – ACOG Recommendation for patients 30 years or older.)	Preferred: ThinPrep® vial for PAP and the, Digene DNA collection device for the HPV test. The HPV can be run from the ThinPrep® Vial	Room Temperature
Cultures	Sterile Container	Refrigeration
Fine Needle Aspiration (FNA)/ Tissue	10 % Neutral Buffered Formalin	Room Temperature
GC (w/ThinPrep Pap)	ThinPrep® Vial	Room Temperature
HPV/GYN (cervical specimen)	Thin Prep Vial or Digene DNA Collection Device	Room Temperature
HPV/Tissue	10 % Neutral Buffered Formalin	Room Temperature
HPV (DNA)/cervical biopsy	Freshly collected cervical biopsy, 2-5 mm cross-section. NO fixative.	Send same day to laboratory
Immunohistochemistry/ Tissue	10% Neutral Buffered Formalin	Room Temperature
Pap, Conventional	Pap Pak	Room Temperature
Pap, ThinPrep®	ThinPrep® Vial	Room Temperature
Stone Analysis/ Calculus	Submit Dry, No fixative	Room Temperature
Tzanck Smear	Pap Pak	Room Temperature
UroVysion/Fresh Voided Urine	Plastic Urine container	Refrigeration