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Urine Culture Information Sheet

OVERVIEW

MDL Test Name

Urine Culture

MDL Test Code

URN_CULT

Ask at Order Questions

N/A

Specimen Source

Urine, Specify collection method (i.e.: clean catch, foley catheter, cystoscopy, etc.)

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENTS

Container/Tube

- x BD Vacutainer Urine C&S Tube (Preserved) [Preferred]
- x Sterile Container (Unpreserved)

Specimen Volume (minimum)

- x BD Vacutainer Urine C&S Tube: must be filled to minimum line printed on the tube (4mL)
- x Unpreserved: 0.5mL

Sample Stability Time

- x BD Vacutainer (Preserved): 48 hours
- x Sterile Container (Unpreserved, Refrigerated): 24 hours
- x Please notify MDL if a STAT courier is needed to meet this time

Patient Preparation / Collection Instructions

Refer to the Urine Culture Specimen Collection Guide

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