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## BK VIRUS (MICROBACTERIA) URINE TEST

The sample must be collected on the morning of the delivery day, using the first morning urine.

For the collection, use a sterile container with a screw cap for urine culture:

- wash hands and external genitalia with soap (not disinfectants) and dry them
- open the wide-mouth sterile container for urine culture, avoiding touching the inside surfaces
- discard the first stream of urine
- collect directly into the sterile container **at least 40 mL of urine** (container almost full)
- properly close the container to prevent any spillage
- deliver to the Blood Collection Centre on the same day of the collection

The culture test requires 60 days before it can be reported as negative.

The container can be collected free of charge from the Blood Collection Centre upon presentation of a medical prescription or purchased externally, e.g., at a pharmacy.