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URINE CULTURE FROM PERMANENT CATHETER

(Urine culture test from a permanent catheter)

The sample collection must take place on the morning of the delivery day.

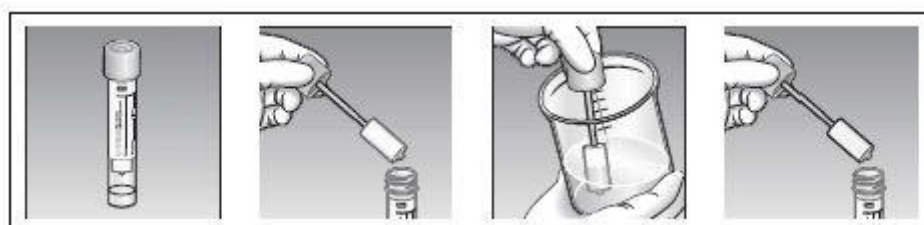
1. Collect the urine sterily in a wide-mouth sterile container for urine culture.

Do not collect urine from the bag.

- wash thoroughly your hands with soap (not disinfectants) and dry them.
- detach the bag from the catheter and close the catheter tube with the appropriate sterile cap. Disinfect the connection between the catheter and the cap.
- remove the cap, discard the first few drops of urine, let the urine flow directly into a sterile container for urine culture, being careful not to overfill it. Close the container immediately.
- reconnect the catheter-bag connection.
- deliver to the Blood collection centre on the same day of the collection

2. If provided with a Uriswab swab from the Blood collection centre, after urine collection:

- open the screw cap of the Uriswab tube without touching the sterile sponge
- immerse the sponge for 10 seconds in the urine collected in the sterile urine culture container until the sponge is saturated
- reinsert the sponge into the tube and securely close the screw cap. Deliver the Uriswab tube to the Blood collection centre.



NOTE: Do NOT fill the Uriswab tube with urine

NOTE: if using the same urine sample (single sterile container) for urine culture and chemical-physical urine examination, first perform the collection with the Uriswab swab for urine culture, then transfer the urine into the test tube for the urine examination.

The sterile container + Uriswab swab are provided free of charge at the Blood collection centre upon presentation of a medical prescription. Alternatively, the wide-mouth sterile container can be purchased externally, e.g., in a pharmacy.