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Sample collection from the rectum for testing chlamydia and gonorrhoea

Test: -CtGcNhO (1738)

Sample collection equipment

Sample collection kit containing a swab and a sample tube.

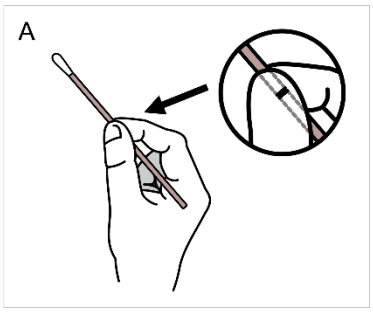
- Do not moisten the swab with the liquid in the sample tube or any other liquid before collecting the sample.
- Do not touch the soft tip of the swab.
- The sample tube contains a liquid which causes irritation on the skin. Handle the tube with care. In case of skin contact flush immediately with plenty of water and soap. In case of eye contact flush with plenty of water and contact a physician.

Keep the sample collection equipment away from the reach of children.

Collecting the sample

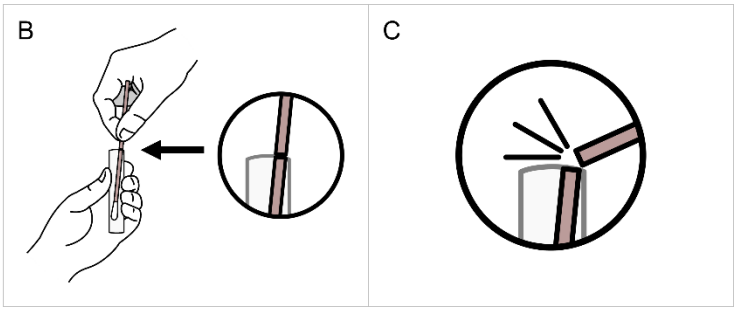
Do not wash your intimate area before collecting the sample.

1. Wash your hands carefully.
2. Open the sample collection kit and remove the swab from its protective package.
3. Hold the swab between your thumb and index finger around the black mark in the shaft (see image A).



4. Carefully insert the swab into rectum to a depth of approx. 3–5 cm.
5. Rotate the swab against the rectum wall for 5–10 seconds.
6. Remove swab from the rectum.
    - Do not lay the swab down.
    - Be carefull not to touch anything else with the swab.

7. Open the cap of the sample tube.
    - Do not break the folio part of the cap.
    - Be careful not to spill the liquid in the tube.
8. Insert the swab soft tip first into the sample tube. Align the black mark in the shaft with top edge of the tube (see image B).
9. Break the swab by pressing it against the edge of the sample tube (see image C).



    - The lower part of the swab stays in the sample tube. Without the swab the sample cannot be analysed.
    - Dispose of the top portion of shaft in the mixed waste.
10. Close the cap of the sample tube tightly and make sure it does not leak.
11. Place the sample tube into a plastic bag. Close the bag tightly.
12. Wash your hands carefully.
13. Fill in the required details on the last page. Put the filled page and the plastic bag containing the sample tube in another plastic bag. Close the bag tightly.

Storage and transportation

Deliver the sample tube to the laboratory in room temperature.

Let the person collecting the sample know if you were not able to follow these instructions or if you were given other kinds of instructions.

If you have any questions regarding the sample collection, please contact ISLAB's customer service by calling tel. 044 457 0740.

Your own doctor or nurse will answer any questions you may have about your tests and results.

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Sample details (fill in and return only this page to the laboratory together with the sample)

Write your first name and surname:

Write your personal identity code:

Write your phone number:

Write the date and time of sample collection:

Write additional information if necessary: