
0060243***Chlamydia trachomatis* by Transcription-Mediated Amplification (TMA)****CTAMD**

Specimen Required: Collect: **Endocervical**, vaginal, or male **urethral specimen** with APTIMA Unisex Swab Specimen Collection kit (ARUP supply #28907) available online through eSupply using ARUP Connect™ or contact ARUP Client Services at (800) 522-2787.

Also acceptable: First **catch urine** OR Cervical brush in ThinPrep Pap test collection kit. Refer to "Sample Collection for the Diagnosis of STD" under Specimen Handling at www.aruplab.com for specific specimen collection and transport instructions.

Specimen Preparation: **Swab:** Place blue swab in Swab Specimen Transport Tube, break shaft off at score line then recap tube.

Urine: Transfer 2 mL urine **within 24 hours** to APTIMA Urine Specimen Transport Tube (ARUP supply #28908) available online through eSupply using ARUP Connect™ or contact ARUP Client Services at (800) 522-2787. Liquid level must be between fill lines on tube.

ThinPrep: Vortex ThinPrep PreservCyt solution and transfer 1 mL to an APTIMA Specimen Transfer Tube (ARUP supply #42711) available online through eSupply using ARUP Connect™ or contact ARUP Client Services at (800) 522-2787. To reduce the potential for contamination, ThinPrep specimens should be poured off, using sterile technique, into the APTIMA Specimen Transfer Tube prior to Cytology Testing.

Storage/Transport Temperature: Refrigerated.

Remarks: **Specimen source is required.**

Unacceptable Conditions: Large white swab included in APTIMA Unisex Swab Specimen Collection kit is for preparatory cleaning of the endocervix and is unacceptable for testing. Specimens in any transport media other than indicated above. Specimens in swab transport media without a swab.

Stability (collection to initiation of testing): **Swab:** Ambient: 2 months; Refrigerated: 2 months; Frozen: 1 year

APTIMA Urine Specimen Transport Tube: Ambient: 1 month; Refrigerated: 1 month; Frozen: 1 year

APTIMA Specimen Transfer Tube: Ambient: 2 weeks; Refrigerated: 1 month; Frozen: 1 year

ThinPrep: Ambient: 1 month; Refrigerated: 1 month; Frozen: Unacceptable