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*Streptococcus* Group B by PCR

GBS PCR

**Specimen Required:** Collect: Vaginal then rectal specimen with the same swab.

Specimen Preparation: Transfer swab to Amies media or Liquid Stuart media (ARUP supply #43875) available online through eSupply using ARUP Connect™ or contact ARUP Client Services at (800) 522-2787.

Storage/Transport Temperature: Refrigerated.

Remarks: Specimen source required.

Unacceptable Conditions: Specimens in any transport media other than indicated above.

Stability (collection to initiation of testing): Ambient: 24 hours; Refrigerated: 6 days; Frozen: Unacceptable