Cytology, Female Genital Tract, Collection Instructions

Rover’s Cervex-Brush® Collection Instructions

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**Cervical Sample Collection**
Insert the Rover’s Cervex-Brush® into the endocervical canal. Apply gentle pressure until the bristles form against the cervix. Maintaining gentle pressure, hold the stem between the thumb and forefinger; and rotate the brush 5 times in a clockwise direction.

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**Preserve the Entire Sample**
Placing your thumb against the back of the brush pad, simply disconnect the entire brush from the stem into the CytoRich® preservative vial.

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**Cap and Label Vial**
Place the cap on the vial and tighten. Label the vial and laboratory requisition form with patient’s name and/or number, physician name, and date, if desired.

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**Send Vial to Your Laboratory**
Place the vial and requisition into a specimen bag and send to the laboratory.
SurePath™ Sample Collection Kit Instructions
Label a SurePath™ preservative vial with patient, date, laboratory, and doctor information.

With the patient in lithotomy position, expose cervix using a vaginal speculum moistened with warm water. Visually examine vaginal mucosa and cervix for lesions, ulceration, or discharge. Document findings of the examination on patient’s record, and communicate the relevant clinical findings to laboratory for optimum cytological interpretation.

1 Select contoured end of Pap Perfect® plastic spatula and rotate 360° around the entire exocervix while maintaining tight contact with exocervical surface. Remove spatula.

2 Visually locate the notched score line on the side of the spatula handle, about 4 cm from the contoured collection end. With gloved hand(s) and 1 single, quick, and firm SNAP, separate the contoured end from the rest of the spatula handle. Do not touch collection end. Drop this contoured collection end into a vial of SurePath™ preservative (supplied by TriPath Imaging, Inc.). Discard remaining device handle end of the spatula after each use. Place cap on vial until step 4; do not tighten cap.

3 Insert Cytobrush® Plus GT device into the endocervix until only the bottom-most bristles are exposed at the os. Slowly rotate 1/4 to 1/2 turn in 1 direction. To reduce unnecessary bleeding, do not over-rotate brush. Over-rotation may result in poor sample collection. Remove cytobrush device.

4 Visually locate the notched score line on the side of the cytobrush handle, about 4 cm from the brush tip. With gloved hand(s) and 1 single, quick, and firm SNAP, separate the brush head-short handle from the rest of brush handle. Do not touch collection end. Drop brush head-short handle into the same vial of SurePath™ preservative. Discard remaining device handle end of cytobrush.

5 Tighten the SurePath™ vial cap so the torque line on the cap passes the torque line on the vial. Attach to SurePath™ vial an appropriate requisition form and send to lab for PrepStain™ processing.