

# BioReference® | GenPath® Client Update

May 2024 - Urine Preservative Tube (UPT) Supplies

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Dear Valued Client,

Due to the manufacturer discontinuing BD Urine Preservative Tubes, as of May 28<sup>th</sup>, the **Male and Female Urine STI Profiles (Test Codes P863 and P310)** will no longer be available to order. As an alternative, **Male/Female STI Profile (Test Code-M264)** may be ordered, based on medical necessity, using a Roche Urine Preservative Tube (Speedy #466) and includes testing for Chlamydia, Gonorrhea, Trichomonas, and M.genitalium.

As a result of this change, ureaplasma will no longer be available to order from urine. While Ureaplasma is not usually necessary, if the patient is having persistent or recurrent symptoms of urethritis, a culture can be performed using an M4 swab. The test code is 2523. Please note, the TAT for Ureaplasma is ~10 days, so if your account is on finals only, this will affect overall TAT.

Please see below for additional test information.

	Previous Test Information	Previous Test Information	New Test Information
Test Name	Female Urine STI Profile	Male Urine STI Profile	Male/Female STI Profile
Test Code	P863	P310	M264
Primary Container	BD Urine Preservative Tube	BD Urine Preservative Tube	Roche Urine Preservative Tube
Turn Around Time*	5 days	5 days	3 days
Transportation Temp	Refrigerate	Refrigerate	Room Temperature
Specimen Stability	3 days	3 days	10 days
Collection Instructions	ULCR: Patient should not have urinated for at least 1 hour prior to specimen collection. Collect the specimen in a sterile specimen collection cup. The patient should collect the first 20-60mL of urine (the first part of the stream, NOT midstream) into the urine collection cup. Pipette urine into the tube until the fluid is between the purple lines of the fill window (2-3 mL).	ULCR: Patient should not have urinated for at least 1 hour prior to specimen collection. Collect the specimen in a sterile specimen collection cup. The patient should collect the first 20-60mL of urine (the first part of the stream, NOT midstream) into the urine collection cup. Pipette urine into the tube until the fluid is between the purple lines of the fill window (2-3 mL).	UCOB: Patients should not urinate 1 hour prior to specimen collection. Approximately 10-15 mL of urine should be collected from the beginning of the stream. Once collected the urine should be transferred to the Cobas PCR media tube within 24 hrs. Use transfer pipette to add urine to the Cobas PCR tube. Final volume of the tube should be between fill lines. Replace and tighten the cap and invert the tube 5 times to mix.
Profile Components	CT, GC, Trich, M. gen	CT, GC, Trich, M. gen, Ureaplasma	CT, GC, Trich, M. gen
CPT Code(s)**	87491, 87591, 87563, 87661	87491, 87591, 87563, 87661, 87798	87491, 87591, 87761, 87563

Please contact your dedicated account representative or customer service for additional information, supply ordering and questions.

Best Regards,

BioReference Health, LLC.

\*TAT is based upon receipt of the specimen at the laboratory.

\*\*CPT codes provided are based on AMA guidelines and are for informational purposes only. CPT coding is the sole responsibility of the billing party. Please direct any questions regarding coding to the payer being billed.

\*\*\*Healthcare providers should only order panels if each test in the panel is medically necessary.