

## Collection Instructions

Patient and provider information (Please see attached, ThinPrep Collection Techniques).

## Collection Instructions using the endocervical Brush/ spatula



# Protocol: endocervical brush/spatula

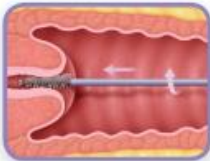
## Quick reference guide



**Obtain** an adequate sample from the ectocervix using a plastic spatula. If desired, use lukewarm water to warm and lubricate the speculum. Apply water-soluble, carbomer-free gel lubricant sparingly to the posterior blade of the speculum if necessary.<sup>1,2</sup> Select the contoured end of the plastic spatula and rotate it 360 degrees around the entire ectocervix, while maintaining tight contact with ectocervical surface.



**Rinse** the spatula as quickly as possible into the PreservCyt® Solution vial by swirling the spatula **vigorously** in the vial 10 times. Discard the spatula.



**Obtain** an adequate sampling from the endocervix using an endocervical brush device. Insert the brush into the cervix until only the bottom-most fibers are exposed. Slowly rotate 1/4 or 1/2 turn in one direction. **DO NOT OVER-ROTATE THE BRUSH.**



**Rinse** the brush as soon as possible in the PreservCyt Solution by rotating the device in the solution 10 times while pushing it against the PreservCyt vial wall. Swirl the brush **vigorously** to further release material. Discard the brush.



**Tighten** the cap so that the torque line on the cap passes the torque line on the vial.



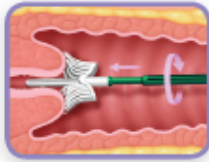
**Record** the patient's name and ID number on the vial.

**Record** the patient information and medical history on the cytology requisition form.

# Protocol: Rovers<sup>®</sup> Cervex-Brush<sup>®</sup> Combi device

## Quick reference guide

**Contra-indications:** The Rovers Cervex-Brush Combi device should not be used during pregnancy.



**Obtain** an adequate sample from the cervix using a Rovers Cervex-Brush Combi device (a green, broom-like device with an integrated endocervical sampler). If desired, use lukewarm water to warm and lubricate the speculum. Sparingly apply water-soluble carbomer-free gel lubricant to the posterior blade of the speculum if necessary.<sup>12</sup> Insert the endocervical sampler part of the device into the endocervical canal deep enough to allow the other bristles to fully contact the ectocervix. Push gently, and rotate the brush in a clockwise direction 2 times for 2 complete 360° degree turns.<sup>2</sup>



**Rinse** the Rovers Cervex-Brush Combi device immediately into the PreservCyt<sup>®</sup> Solution vial by pushing it into the bottom of the vial 10 times, forcing the bristles apart. As a final step, swirl the brush **vigorously** to further release material. Visually inspect the Rovers Cervex-Brush Combi device to ensure that no material remains attached. Discard the collection device. **Do not leave the head of the Rovers Cervex-Brush Combi device in the vial.**



**Tighten** the cap of the PreservCyt Solution vial so that the torque line on the cap passes the torque line on the vial.



**Record** the patient's name and ID number on the vial.

**Record** the patient's information and medical history on the cytology requisition form.



**Place** the vial and requisition in a specimen bag for transport to the laboratory.

## Additional instructions

### Cervical/ endocervical

1. Obtain cervical or endocervical sample as described above.
2. Bag ThinPrep specimens individually, samples might leak during transport.
3. Label the vial (must contain 2 patient identifiers) and the bag.

## Vaginal

1. Obtain a vaginal scraping from the posterior fornix with a cervical spatula.
2. Bag ThinPrep specimens individually, samples might leak during transport.
3. Label the vial (must contain 2 patient identifiers) and the bag.

## Collection instructions for Anal Paps



# ThinPrep<sup>®</sup> anal cytology specimen collection

## Quick reference guide



**1. Collect** adequate sample using a moistened Dacron<sup>™</sup> swab or cytobrush<sup>1</sup> following published collection techniques.<sup>2</sup>



**2. Rinse** swab or brush as quickly as possible in the PreservCyt<sup>®</sup> solution by rotating the device in the solution 10 times while pushing against the PreservCyt vial wall. Swirl the device vigorously to further release material. Discard the device.



**3. Tighten** the cap so that the torque line on the cap passes the torque line on the vial.



**4. Record** the patient's name and ID number on the vial.

**5. Record** the patient's information and medical history on the cytology requisition form.



**6. Place** the vial and requisition form in a specimen bag for transport to the laboratory.

## **Anal pap**

1. Visualize the anal opening.
2. Insert Dacron swab or cytobrush past internal anal sphincter until it reaches the distal rectal wall (4-5cm).
3. Rotate the swab 360 degrees and maintain lateral pressure on swab against the walls of the anus.
4. While rotating, slowly withdraw the swab.
5. Rotate at least 10 times while withdrawing the swab. This should take 20 to 30 seconds.
6. Immediately place swab in the ThinPrep vial. Rotate for 20 to 30 seconds in the ThinPrep solution.
7. Dispose of the swab.
8. Tighten the cap.
9. Bag ThinPrep specimens individually, samples might leak during transport.
10. Label the vial (must contain 2 patient identifiers) and the bag.