


## COPROCULTURE

### Instructions for sample collection

<b>CONTAINER</b>	<p>Plastic test tube (green cap) with flocked swab containing transport medium provided by the blood and urine test centre.</p> 
<b>PROCEDURE</b>	<p>During the collection period, do not make use of laxatives, purgatives, antidiarrheal medications, suppositories, or antimicrobials.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Collect the stool on a dry and clean surface (bed pan, sheet of paper or plastic bag that can be placed in a bidet, in a bowl or under the toilet seat) <b>N.B. Do not contaminate faeces with urine and toilet water (do not collect the faeces directly from the toilet).</b></li> <li>Holding the test tube in a vertical position, transfer a small quantity of faecal material using the swab found in the package. Insert the swab into the test tube and break the rod by the red break line. Close the cap tightly.</li> </ul>
<b>STORAGE</b>	<p>Deliver the test tube to the Blood and Urine Test Centre in accordance with the opening hours (Delivery must take place as soon as possible, and in the meantime store the test tube in the refrigerator at 4°C up to a maximum of 24 hours).</p>
<b>REMARKS</b>	<p>Follow the procedure described. <b>NB:</b> Some exceptions may be allowed upon indication of the prescribing doctor.</p>

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