

URINE

Used to diagnose inflammatory processes or carcinomas of the urinary tract.

General Instructions:

1. For optimal results, collect randomly voided urine without prior patient hydration.

NOTE: Unacceptable specimens include:

- First morning urines
 - Specimens from Foley catheter collection bags
 - Specimens from 24 hour urine collections
2. Straight cath specimens are acceptable but must be noted as such on the requisition.
 3. Collect urine in clean container. If specimen is collected in doctor's office, add CytoLyt™ to specimen.
 4. Label container with patient's name, date, and time of collection.
 5. Complete the cytopathology requisition or LastWord order and include all pertinent clinical information and patient history.
 6. Place specimen and requisition or LastWord label in specimen biohazard bag.
 7. Immediately send the specimen to the Laboratory.

NOTE: Any delay in receiving the specimen in the Laboratory may render the specimen non-diagnostic for cytologic evaluation.