Waikato Hospital – laboratory swab guide May 2016

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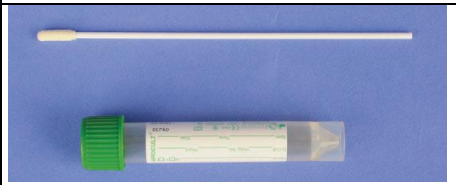
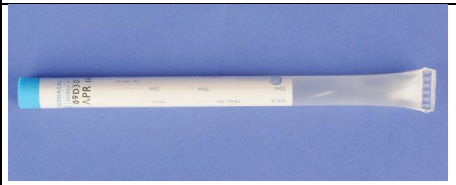
Colour	Photo	Description	Swab Name	Shaft	Transport Medium	Organisms				Sites							
			(Oracle ordering code)			Bacterial	Virus	Gono Chlamydia and Trich	Pertussis	Sterile site	Wounds, ulcer, skins	Low nose	Naopharyngeal	Throat	Skin for Herpes	Conjunctival	Cervix and vaginal
Standard Swabs																	
Purple		**Bacterial**	Swab Transport Amies clear (101122)	plastic	Amies gel	■					■	MRSA only		■		■	■
Green		**Viral**	Swab Sigma Virocult Small vial (179109)	Plastic snappable	Green cap tube MW950S PCR / culture medium		■								■	■	
Blue		**Nasopharygeal**	Swab Pernasal Fine Sterile Dry Swab (147201)	Flexi twisted wire	Dry or Tip can be cut off into green viral tube		■		■				■				
Orange		**Gono / Chlamydia / Trichomonas** swab and urine multicollect kit	Kit specimen multicollection (154519)	Plastic snappable	Orange cap tube PCR buffer			■								■	■
Special Purpose																	
Orange		**Ears**	Swab ENT/ Urethral swab (123629)	Single bendable wire	Amies gel	■					■						