

Urine Collection, Storage and Preservation Laboratory Practice Survey

INTRODUCTION

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Purpose of the Survey: This survey is being performed for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the American Society for Microbiology (ASM) to understand laboratories' current practices related to the collection, storage and preservation of urine for microbiological culture. The goal of the study is to improve the diagnosis and management of patients with urinary tract infection. This survey will take approximately 20 minutes to complete.

Security Information: All information collected in this survey will be kept in a secure manner. We ask you to include your CLIA number to ensure that only one response per laboratory is recorded. We also ask you to include your email address to follow-up if needed. Your CLIA number and email address will not be stored in a database and they will not be linked to your survey responses. Your IP address will NOT be retained.

Participation is voluntary; you are free to withdraw from this survey at any time. If at any point you do not want to continue, you can simply leave this website. If you do not click on the "done" button at the end of the survey, your answers and participation will not be recorded.

Asterisks (*): Questions marked with an asterisk require an answer before you can proceed to the next question.

How the findings will be used: The results from the survey will be compiled and shared in aggregate as a learning tool, presented at professional conferences, and potentially published in a professional journal in the field of laboratory science.

Contact Information: If you have concerns or questions about this survey please address them to clinmicro@asmusa.org.

Agreement: By beginning the survey, you acknowledge that you have read this information and agree to participate in this survey, with the knowledge that you are free to withdraw your participation at any time without penalty.

Public reporting burden of this collection of information is estimated to average 20 minutes per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden to CDC/ATSDR Information Collection Review Office, 1600 Clifton Road NE, MS D-74, Atlanta, Georgia 30333; ATTN: PRA (0920-XXXX).

Thank you for taking the time to complete this CDC and ASM survey. Your feedback is important for guiding CDC and ASM in their efforts to understand current laboratory urine practice. The survey should take approximately 20 minutes of your time. All answers will remain completely anonymous.

*** 1. Position/Title of Person Completing Survey:**

*** 2. Email address:**

*** 3. Laboratory Name:**

*** 4. CLIA #:**

*** 5. How did you learn about this survey?**

- Laboratory Response Network Request
- ClinMicroNet
- DivCNet
- Clinical Microbiology Issues Update
- Microbe*, ASM's monthly news magazine
- Other (please specify)

*** 6. Did you already fill out this survey?**

- Yes
- No

If answered "Yes", respondents have completed survey.

7. Date:

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*** 8. Which of the following best describes your laboratory setting? (Select the best choice.)**

- University hospital/Academic medical center
- City/County/State Hospital
- Military/VA Hospital
- Other type of hospital that is not listed above
- Independent laboratory
- Public Health Department,non-hospital
- Physician office/ambulatory care laboratory
- Other (please specify)

*** 9. How would you characterize your institution?**

- For profit
- Non-profit

*** 10. How many pathologists or other physicians are in your laboratory? (Do not include residents, fellows or trainees/medical students.)**

*** 11. Is your laboratory located in an institution that provides direct patient care?**

- Yes
- No

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*** 12. My institution is**

- hospital based.
- non-hospital based.

*** 13. What kind of patient population is at your institution? (Select all that apply.)**

- Inpatient
- Outpatient
- Non-patient
- Other (please specify)

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*** 14. How many hospital beds does the microbiology section serve?**

- >500 beds
- 101-500 beds
- 50-100 beds
- <50 beds
- Only have outpatients

*** 15. What is your laboratory's zip code?**

*** 16. Are any of your laboratory staff currently members of the American Society for Microbiology (ASM)?**

- Yes
- No
- Do not know

If answered "No" or "Do not know",
respondents skip to question 18.

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*** 17. Do any of those members subscribe to (select all that apply)--**

- ASM's ClinMicroNet listserv
- ASM's DivCNet listserv
- No, do not subscribe
- Do not know

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*** 18. Does the microbiology laboratory have a doctoral-level clinical scientist or consultant?**

- Yes
- No

If answered "No", respondents skip to question 20.

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*** 19. What is their board certification? (Select all that apply.)**

- D(ABMM) Diplomat, American Board of Medical Microbiology
- D(ABB) Diplomat, American Board of Bioanalysis, HCLD (High Complexity Laboratory Director)
- D(ABB) Diplomat, American Board of Bioanalysis, BCLD (Bioanalyst Clinical Laboratory Director)
- Ph.D., other board certified
- Ph.D., non-board certified
- ABP (American Board of Pathology) Sub-boarded in Medical Microbiology
- ABIM (American Board of Internal Medicine) Sub-boarded in Infectious Disease
- M.D./D.O.
- Do not know
- Other (please specify)

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*** 20. Does your laboratory perform urine cultures?**

- Yes
- No

If answered "No", respondents have completed survey.

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*** 21. Do you refrigerate or use a chemical preservative if urines cannot be delivered within two hours?**

- Yes
- No

If answered "No", respondents skip to question 23.

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*** 22. What type of preservation do you use if cultures cannot be delivered within two hours? (Select all that apply.)**

- Refrigeration
- Boric Acid
- Other (please specify)

*** 23. Do you have a specimen acceptability and rejection policy?**

- Yes
- No

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*** 24. If so, do you...(select all that apply.)**

- reject specimens that do not meet the acceptability criteria.
- accept specimens that do not meet criteria but add a comment.
- not applicable; we do not reject specimens.

*** 25. Do you provide instructions to females collecting a midstream urine to clean their genital area prior to collection?**

- Yes
- No

*** 26. Do you provide instructions to males to retract their foreskin and clean their penis before they collect a midstream urine?**

- Yes
- No

*** 27. What type of specimen(s) do you receive for newborns and children? (Select all that apply.)**

- Diaper
- Suprapubic aspirate
- Bagged collection
- Straight catheterization
- Not applicable; no pediatric population.
- Other (please specify)

*** 28. Are urines pre-screened prior to culture?**

- Yes
- No

If answered "No", respondents skip to question 30.

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*** 29. What are the pre-screening methods? (Select all that apply.)**

- Biochemical/dipstick
- Microscopic UA, manual
- Automated: iQ200 (IRIS)
- Automated: UF1000i (Sysmex)
- Automated: Other
- UriScreen
- Bacterial staining (eg Gram, methylene blue, acridine orange)
- Other Methods (please specify)

*** 30. Do you know your approximate contamination rate?**

- Yes
- No

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*** 31. What is it? (Enter not applicable if you do not know.)**

*** 32. Do you use percentage of contamination of urine cultures as a clinical monitor for quality assurance purposes?**

- Yes
- No

If answered "No", respondents have completed survey.

*** 33. What is the threshold of acceptability?**