

## Rapid Strep

<b>Synonyms</b>	Gr A Rapid Strep, Strep Rapid
<b>Abbreviation</b>	Rapid
<b>Specimen type</b>	Throat swab
<b>Container</b>	Culture swab with transport media
<b>Volume</b>	
<b>Collection requirements</b>	Vigorous swabbing of back tonsil area, using the 2 swabs in the transport system. Avoid contact with teeth, gums, tongue, or cheeks.
<b>S/H instructions</b>	Deliver to Lab asap.
<b>Stability</b>	4 hours at room temp. 72 hours refrigerated.
<b>Reference range</b>	Negative
<b>Routine / STAT T.A.T</b>	Within 4 hours / 1 hour Negative antigen test reflexes to culture – final result in 48 hours.
<b>Section</b>	Serology
<b>LAB code</b>	07034