# Test Order

## Synonym(s)
Herpes simplex virus types 1 and 2 (HSV-1 and HSV-2)

## Methodology
The Aptima HSV 1 & 2 assay is a NAAT developed for use on the automated Panther system that utilizes target capture, transcription mediated amplification (TMA), and real-time detection of HSV-1, HSV-2, and an internal control (IC).

## Acceptable Specimen Type(s) for Testing
Clinician collected anogenital lesion specimens (FDA approved) and clinician collected throat swabs, lesion/rashes, clinician collected rectal swabs, clinician collected vaginal swab, and oral/throat swabs (validated by San Francisco Public Health Laboratory (SFPHL)).

## Transport / Collection Medium
Aptima Multitest Swab Specimen Collection Kit (STM)

## Storage and Preservation of Specimen
Transport and store the specimen in the Aptima Multitest Swab Transport Media (STM) at 2°C to 30°C until tested. Specimens must be tested with the Aptima HSV 1 & 2 assay within 36 days of collection. Specimens stored at -20°C to -70°C for up to 36 days may also be tested with the Aptima HSV 1 & 2 assay.

## Minimum Volume Required

## Additional Collection Instructions

## Additional Required Information

## Send Out?
No

## Turnaround Time
2 business days from receipt

## Testing Restrictions

## Requisition Form(s)

## Limitations / Notes / Disclaimers
The non-anogenital specimens have been validated on the Aptima Panther Hologic system using the FDA approved HSV 1/2 assay by the San Francisco Public Health Laboratory. Non-anogenital sources have not been cleared or approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

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