## WID - -easy Test

## Sampling Instructions

- Sampling is carried out using the Copan FLOQswab ${ }^{\text {TM }}$ (552C.80PB) and eNAT medium (608C) from Copan. A corresponding kit (608CS01R) is also available.
O Swab and medium will be provided to you by your laboratory.
It is important that the vagina is not cleaned ahead of any sample taking \& that minimal (preferably no) lubricant is used when inserting the speculum
- The sample collection for the WID®-easy test takes place
$\checkmark$ before taking a sample for another test, e.g., for a PAP smear.
$\checkmark$ before inserting another substance into the vagina or near the cervix, such as acetic acid, for visual inspection (VIA).
$\checkmark$ before transvaginal sonography
$\checkmark$ or at the earliest three days after these measures.
- Use of lubricant should be avoided if possible.
- The aim is to collect vaginal secretions using the swab rather than to scrape cells from the cervix.
- Avoid cleaning the vagina of blood or other secretions before taking the sample.
- Insert the speculum to visualise the cervix and the posterior fornix.
- Insert the Copan swab into the vagina and first take a sample in the upper vaginal area, if possible without touching the cervix (see Fig. 1).
- Hold the swab in this position whilst rotating it slowly once through 360 degrees (for 2-3 seconds).
- Re-position the swab into the posterior fornix of the vagina, as depicted in the Fig. 2.
- Again, hold the swab in position whilst rotating it slowly through 360 degrees for 2-3 seconds.

- Remove the swab from the vagina.
- Unscrew and remove the cap from the eNAT® tube, taking care not to spill the medium.
- Insert the swab into the tube until the breaking point (red mark) reaches the level of the opening of the tube (Fig. A).

O Bend the swab shaft at a 180 degree angle to break it off at the breaking point holding the tube away from the face (Fig. B). If needed, gently rotate the swab shaft to complete the breakage and discard the upper part of the swab shaft into clinical waste.

- Replace the cap on the tube and close tightly (Fig. C).
- Flick-mix the tube 10 times and store the sample in an upright position for at least 5 minutes at room temperature.
- Store locally at room temperature until shipment to the Laboratory.


