



## Regional Hospital Specimens

### MicroTest™ Tube (M4RT) | Thermo Scientific / Remel



Specimen Type: Nasopharyngeal (NP) swab

Use **M4RT** for:

**Rapid Testing** – performed on-site

- COVID-19
- Influenza A/B
- Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV)

**Routine Testing** – performed at Main Campus

- COVID-19
- Influenza A/B
- Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV)
- Respiratory Pathogen Virus Panel

**Shared Samples:** Tests listed above can be performed on the same swab if a nasopharyngeal NP collection is performed.

**Collection Instructions:** Following collection, place the swab into the transport media. The swab's notched breakpoint is relatively high compared to the height of the tube.

After breaking the shaft, use the cap to push the swab into the tube (the shaft of the swab will be bent and the end will sit within the depression in the cap – *see picture on left for reference*).

Screw the cap firmly on the tube to prevent leaking.

**Shelf storage:** Room (ambient) temperature

**Transport:** Refrigerated (2–8°C); transport on ice or cold pack

**Order Item:** Place a supply request through the **EMPPE Mailbox**.



### Universal Transport Medium (UTM) | Copan / BD



Tests requiring specimen transport in Universal Transport Media (UTM) are listed below. Refer to the Test Directory for specific test details.

- Herpes Simplex Virus (**HSV**)
- HSV Neonate Surface Culture (**HSVNEO**)
- HSV 1 & 2 / VZV Amplification (**HSVVZV**)
- Mycoplasma Culture (**MYPLAS**)
- DFA or Viral Culture
- Bordetella PCR (**BORAMP**)

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