

Culture of tuberculosis bacteria in the urine (2812 TBVi)

This examination is used to identify the presence of tuberculosis-causing Mycobacteria or other Mycobacteria in the urine. **The urine samples are collected on three consecutive mornings.**

Materials

1. Container for collection of urine
2. Plastic tube, volume 50 ml (Fig. 1)
3. Plastic bag and sticker for name



Fig. 1 (a blue-capped tube with a conical base and a measuring scale on the side)

Procedure

1. Collect a generous sample of the first urine in the morning into the container which you received from the lab.
2. Pour 50 ml of the urine into the plastic tube.
3. Close the stopper of the test tube securely.
4. **Write your name, social security number, sampling date and sampling time on the sticker that came with the materials from the lab.**
5. **Affix the sticker onto the plastic tube.**
6. Place the tube into the plastic bag that came with the materials from the lab.
7. Store the test tube cool, preferably at refrigerator temperature.

You may bring all three urine samples that you have collected on consecutive days to the lab at the same time.

Please contact the department or outpatient clinic if you have questions regarding the sampling procedure for this examination.

You may ask for the result of this examination at the hospital unit where you are being treated.