Test Kit Name Changes & Ordering Information

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BVBlue test

OSOM and Gryphus Diagnosit are exactly the same test
BVBlue

- BVBlue is manufactured by Gryphus Diagnostics
- Distributed by either Gryphus or Genzyme (OSOM)
- Genzyme purchases the kits from Gryphus and packages the kit as OSOM BVBlue
- Gryphus kits are less expensive and have longer expiration dates
QuickVue hCG test

- Use the One-Step Urine hCG
- Do Not use One-Step Combo hCG
  - The Combo has not been validated for gel interference
- Quidel and BioMerieux have formed an alliance and both will be distributing the kits.
- Kits purchased in Africa may have BioMerieux instead of Quidel on package
QuickVue hCG test

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Bayer and Siemens Multistix

New packaging  Old packaging  New packaging
Urinalysis

- Seimens Uristix 4: glucose, protein, leukocytes, and nitrites
- Seimens Uristix 2: glucose and protein
Supply requests

- Send your request 1 month in advance to Wayne Hall, Lorna Rabe, and Edward (Ted) Livant
- Include at least one other person from your site on the e-mail request incase the initial person is not available to receive the shipment.
- MTN does not have supplies in stock. We order from the US distributor. Kits are delivered to our lab in 1-2 weeks depending on the item and if they are in stock at the distributor.
- MTN ships to your lab via FedEx and delivery takes 3-9 days.
Supply Shipments from NL

- FedEx is used for shipping supplies
  - less expensive than World Courier or DHL
- 2 types of international shipments
  - Economy: 3-9 days for delivery to SA
  - Priority: 3-5 days and costs more than economy
- Customs: larger packages are more likely to be held up in customs
- What can the receiving lab do to speed up the delivery?
Invoices for supplies

- the invoice sent with the package is an estimate of the cost
  - for customs purposes

- A second invoice is sent from the MTN finance department about 1 month later that includes the shipping costs
Letter of Donation

- A letter for customs to tell them that the shipment was not taxed by the US government and has no commercial value.
Shipping slides to Network Lab

- Ship only boxes of 100 slides
- Notify Ted and Lorna when shipping slides
  - Send tracking number
  - LDMS formatted manifest: send by e-mail (not .csv)
- Preparing the slides for shipment
  - Put several paper towels in the lid of the boxes to prevent slides from moving. (shake the box and if it rattles add more paper towels)
  - Use bubble wrap, paper, or Styrofoam packing material
- FedEx, DHL, or World Courier
KOH wet mount: Is this yeast?
Answer

- No
  - There are no budding yeast cells and no pseudohyphae divisions of cell
vaginal wet mount: are there clue cells?
Answer

☐ Yes

- Notice the fuzzy edges of the epithelial cells.
- The nucleus of the cell can be seen in clue cells. Therefore do not use this as an aid for determining if a cell is a clue cell.
KOH wet mount: Are there yeast present?
Answer

- Yes.
  - There are pseudohyphae and budding yeast cells.
Vaginal wet mount: What is it?
Answer

- Stellate trichomes
  - Stellate describes the type of trichome and refers to the # of arms (2-8)
  - Found on leaves of plants
  - They protect the leaves from insects and drying
  - They can be shed from dead leaves and float in the air like lint and land on skin and clothes
  - They secrete minor allergens and can cause a contact dermatitis