

How to collect a wound swab specimen

- Use sterile swab with transport media
 - Perform hand hygiene, put on gloves
 - Clean wound with sterile saline prior to pus swab collection
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- Collect fresh pus
 - Insert swab firmly into transport media in the transport tube
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- Label specimen
 - Write clinical information and site of the wound on request form
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- Transport to laboratory immediately after collection

