

The use of lubricants with the ThinPrep Pap test is not recommended. However, if a lubricant is necessary, consult this list of common lubricant brands for compatibility.^{1*}



ThinPrep® Pap Test Lubricant Compatibility List

	Lubricant	Manufacturer	Contains Carbomer?
✓ Preferred	PAP Test Lubricating Jelly	Aseptic Control Products	No
	Surgilube Surgical Lubricant	HR Pharmaceuticals	No
✓ Compatible	K-Y Jelly (Physician Formula)	Johnson & Johnson	No [§]
	Surgel	Ulmer Pharmacal	No
✗ Incompatible	Aquagel Lubricating Gel	Parker Laboratories, Inc.	Yes
	Astroglide (Physician Formula)	BioFilm, Inc.	No
	Astroglide (Personal Formula)¹	BioFilm, Inc.	No
	Crystelle	Deltex Pharmaceuticals, Inc. - FDA injunction in 2011; no longer in operation	Unknown
	HR Lubricating Jelly	HR Pharmaceuticals, Inc.	Yes
	Lubricating Gel	Henry Schein	Yes
	Lubricating Jelly	McKesson	Yes
	MediChoice Lubricating Jelly	Owens & Minor	Yes
	PDI Lubricating Jelly I and II	PDI Healthcare	Yes
	PSS Select (also known as Triad)	PSS World Medical, Inc.	Yes
	Rite Aid Pharmacy Lubricating Gel²	Rite Aid Corp.	Yes
	Allegiance	Medline Industries, Inc. (formerly Triad/H&P Industries)	Yes
	Apicare Sterile Lubricating Jelly (also known as Operand Lubricating Jelly)	Apicare Inc./Clorox Professional	Yes
	Aqua Lube Personal Lubricant³	Mayer Laboratories	No
	DynaLube Lubricating Jelly	Dynarex Corporation	Yes
	E-Z Lubricating Jelly	Chester Packaging	Yes
	IMCO Lubricating Jelly	Medline Industries, Inc. (formerly Triad/H&P Industries)	Yes
	Lubricating Jelly	DUKAL Corporation	Yes
	Lubri-Gel	Sheffield Pharmaceuticals	Yes
	Maxilube Personal Lubricant	Mission Pharmacal	Yes
NovaPlus	Medline Industries, Inc. (formerly Triad/H&P Industries)	Yes	
Pro Advantage Lubricating Jelly	National Distribution & Contracting, Inc.	Yes	
ReliaMed Lubricating Jelly	ReliaMed	Yes	

*The use of lubricants (e.g., KY Jelly) should be avoided prior to specimen collection. Lubricants can adhere to the filter membrane and may cause poor cell transfer to the slide. If its use is unavoidable, the lubricant should be used in minimum amounts. †Preferred: Lubricants have multiple lots run through periodic testing to ensure compatibility. ‡Compatible: Lubricants have been tested at least once, but periodic testing is not regularly performed. §Incompatible: Lubricants have either been tested and deemed incompatible or excluded from testing because they contain carbomer. ¶Carbomethylcellulose ingredient does not perform like carbomer-containing lubricants. ¶¶Not recommended due to low viscosity and cell reduction percentage. #Not recommended due to borderline cell reduction percentage. **Not recommended due to low viscosity, personal lubricant.

1. ThinPrep 2000 System Operator's Manual, MAN-02585-001, Rev. 005, Marlborough, MA: Hologic, Inc.; 2014.

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