

## New molecular test for *Trichomonas vaginalis*, 10/13

BD Diagnostics announced FDA clearance of its BD ProbeTec *Trichomonas vaginalis* Qx amplified DNA assay for the direct qualitative detection of *T. vaginalis* DNA in endocervical samples, vaginal samples, and neat urine specimens. This assay, developed to aid in the diagnosis of trichomoniasis, has been CE marked to the in vitro diagnostic directive.

The assay is designed for use with the BD Viper system. Automated DNA extraction and simultaneous amplification and detection maximize laboratory efficiency and quality of results. Compared to wet mount microscopy and culture, the BD ProbeTec *Trichomonas vaginalis* Qx assay reduces human intervention and associated variables and shortens the time to results.

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