

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? |
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| ✓ 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)[¶] | 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 Gel[#] | Rite Aid Corp. | Yes |
| | Allegiance | Medline Industries, Inc. (formerly Triad/H&P Industries) | Yes |
| | Aplicare Sterile Lubricating Jelly (also known as Operand Lubricating Jelly) | Aplicare Inc./Clorox Professional | Yes |
| | Aqua Lube Personal Lubricant^{**} | 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.

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

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