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Dear Colleague:

Hologic strives to provide you with processes and products to help you deliver targeted care for your patients. As part of this effort, we are pleased to announce the approval of a second lubricant option for use with the ThinPrep® Pap test. Surgilube® lubricant is a carbomer-free lubricant and approved for use with the ThinPrep Pap test in accordance with our lubricant letter (see attached, #MISC-00579 Rev. 006).

Surgilube lubricant is the second carbomer-free lubricant approved for use with the ThinPrep Pap test, joining the previously approved Pap Test Lubricating Jelly from Aseptic Control Products, Inc. Both lubricants passed stringent testing by Hologic and meet established quality parameters without impacting ThinPrep Pap test results.

Lubricants with carbomers, regardless of their quality, can affect test results and should not be used with ThinPrep Pap testing.

Ultimately, healthcare providers are responsible for providing counsel to patients to refrain from using over-the-counter lubricants and vaginal medications 48 hours prior to the collection of any Pap sample. All healthcare providers should follow the guidelines for Pap collection as indicated in CLSI and ACOG guidelines.^{1,2}

Surgilube lubricant is available for purchase through numerous medical distributors and GPOs, listed on their website at Surgilube.com. It is available in several packaging types:

MFR #	Item Description	Volume	Packaging
281020536	Screw/Fez Cap (Metal Tube)	4.25oz (120.49gm)	12 ea/bx – 6 bx/cs (72)
281020502	Screw/Fez Cap (Metal Tube)	2oz (56.7gm)	12 ea/bx – 12 bx/cs (144)
281020555	Metal Tube – Elongated Tip	5gm	48 ea/bx – 3 bx/cn – 4 cn/cs
281020537	Flip Top Cap (Laminated tube)	4.25oz (120.49gm)	12 ea/bx – 6 bx/cs (72)
281020512	Flip Top Cap (Laminated tube)	2oz (56.7gm)	12 ea/bx – 12 bx/cs (144)
281020543	Foilpac® (Foil laminated film)	3gm	144 ea/bx – 12 bx/cs (1728)
281020545	Foilpac® (Foil laminated film)	5gm	144 ea/bx – 6 bx/cs (864)

Part numbers, packaging configurations, and pricing are set by HR Pharmaceuticals, Inc., and are subject to change without notice.

Pap Test Lubricating Jelly is also available in several packaging options directly through its manufacturer or from various medical distributors:

Aseptic Control Products, Inc.
3831 Industrial Ave. Unit D
Rolling Meadows, IL. 60008
P: (800) 448-0131
P: (847) 342-1729
F: (847) 342-1809
info@acpmedicalinc.com
www.acpmedicalinc.com

Description	ACP Item#	Packaging
Pap Test Lubricating Jelly, 3-gram packet, non-sterile	024-PKT	1,728/case
	024-PKT-BX	144/box
Pap Test Lubricating Jelly, 4-OZ flip top tube, non-sterile	024-4OZ	72/case
	024-4OZ-BX	12/case

Part numbers, packaging configurations and pricing are set by Aseptic Control Products, Inc., and are subject to change without notice.

For any support related to this topic, please contact Hologic Technical Support Department at 1-800-442-9892, Option 6.

The *Pap Test Lubricating Jelly* (PN#s 024-PKT, 024-PKT-BX, 024-4OZ, 024-4OZ-BX) tested by Hologic on August 21, 2013 and Surgilube Lubricating Jelly (PN#s 281020536, 281020502, 281020555, 281020537, 281020512, 281020543, 281020545) tested by Hologic on March 3, 2016, are the only lubricants approved by Hologic. If either vendor modifies the raw materials and/or the formulation is modified, approval by Hologic and this document shall be null and void.

REFERENCES: 1. CLSI. Cervicovaginal Cytology Based on the Papanicolaou Technique; Approved Guideline – Third Edition (GP15-A3). Wayne, PA: Clinical Laboratory Standards Institute; 2008. 2. American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists. Cervical Cancer Screening and Prevention. Practice Bulletin No. 157. *Obstet Gynecol.* 2016;127:31-20. doi:10.1097/AOG.0000000000001256.

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