

ASI[®] RHINO-PRO[®]

Nasal Mucosal Curette

Intended Use:

The **ASI RHINO-PRO[®]** Curette is a sterile, disposable nasal mucosal collection device designed to collect the optimum specimen with little or no discomfort to the patient. Mucosal specimens collected may be evaluated to differentiate between allergic, non-allergic, and infectious rhinitis as well as to differentiate between bacterial and viral infection. Other applications include sampling for the study of ciliary ultrastructure and function, and for rapid viral diagnostic testing.

Scraping Collection Procedure: (see illustrations below)

1. Tear bag and remove the flexible plastic **ASI RHINO-PRO[®]** without contaminating the scoop end.
2. Under direct visual inspection, insert the cupped probe into the mid-inferior portion of the inferior turbinate.
3. Gently press the cupped tip on mucosal surface and move outwards 2-3 mm. Repeat motion 2-3 times.

Note: Avoid the anterior bulb.

The **ASI RHINO-PRO[®]** Curette is flexible and can be bent for ease of use. Notice the score marks on the back of the curette.

