

Specimen Sources



Biopsy (fresh)

Collection vessel

Sterile non-additive container with PBS Buffer or sterile normal physiological saline solution.

Volume

Minimum size requirement 1mm X 1mm section.

Transport Conditions

Refrigerated. Ship with cold pack.

Collection Notes

Please specify specimen source on the container and Test Requisition form. Do not use yellow top ACD solution A blood collection tubes.



Biopsy (paraffin embedded tissue)

Collection vessel

Sterile non-additive container

Volume

Shave 5 - 7 sections of the block and place in the sterile container.

Transport Conditions

Room Temperature

Collection Notes

Please specify specimen source on the container and Test Requisition form.



Breast Milk

Collection vessel

Sterile non-additive container

Volume

Minimum: 1ml

Transport Conditions

Refrigerated. Ship with cold pack.

Collection Notes

Please specify specimen source on the container and Test Requisition form. Do not use yellow top ACD solution A blood collection tubes.



Buccal Swab

Collection vessel

OneSwab®

Volume

N/A

Transport Conditions

Room Temperature

Collection Notes

Please specify specimen source on the container and Test Requisition form.



Cerebrospinal Fluid (CSF)

Collection vessel

Sterile non-additive container

Volume

Minimum: 1ml

Transport Conditions

Refrigerated. Ship with cold pack.

Collection Notes

Please specify specimen source on the container and Test Requisition form. Do not use yellow top ACD solution A blood collection tubes.



Nasal Wash

Collection vessel

Sterile non-additive container

Volume

Minimum: 1ml

Transport Conditions

Refrigerated. Ship with cold pack.

Collection Notes

Please specify specimen source on the container and Test Requisition form.



NasoSwab™

Collection vessel	Complete
Volume	N/A
Transport Conditions	Room Temperature



OneSwab®

Collection vessel	Complete
Volume	N/A
Transport Conditions	Room Temperature



Plasma

Collection vessel	Vacutainer® PPT™ Plasma Preparation Tube
Volume	1 full tube. Underfilling of tubes will result in an incorrect blood-to-additive ratio and may lead to incorrect analytic results or poor product performance.
Transport Conditions	Room Temperature
Collection notes	Centrifuge specimen within 2 hours of collection. Tubes will withstand up to 10,000 RCF in a balanced swing-out rotor type centrifuge.



Semen

Collection vessel	Sterile non-additive container
Volume	Minimum: 1ml
Transport Conditions	Refrigerated. Ship with cold pack.
Collection Notes	Please specify specimen source on the container and Test Requisition form. Do not use yellow top ACD solution A blood collection tubes.



Serum

Collection vessel	Sterile non-additive container
Volume	Minimum: 1ml
Transport Conditions	Room Temperature, unless a specific test dictates Refrigeration (i.e. Western blot) then ship with cold pack.
Collection notes	Centrifuge specimen prior to transport.



Synovial Fluid

Collection vessel	Sterile non-additive container
Volume	Minimum: 1ml
Transport Conditions	Refrigerated. Ship with cold pack.
Collection Notes	Please specify specimen source on the container and Test Requisition form. Do not use yellow top ACD solution A blood collection tubes.



ThinPrep®

Collection vessel	Sterile non-additive container
Volume	Minimum: 1ml
Transport Conditions	Room Temperature



Tick

Collection vessel	Sterile non-additive container
Volume	N/A
Transport Conditions	Room Temperature
Collection Notes	Tick can be submitted alive or dead. Do not burn or preserve in alcohol.



UroSwab®

Collection vessel	Complete
Volume	N/A
Transport Conditions	Room Temperature



Whole Blood

Collection vessel	N/A
Volume	Complete
Transport Conditions	Room Temperature
Collection Notes	Do Not Centrifuge. Do not freeze.