

Phlebotomy Instructions

CHECK KIT EXPIRATION DATE PRIOR TO SAMPLE COLLECTION

SUPPLIES PROVIDED IN PRISMRA KIT

Note: All sample collection tubes must be stored at room temperature prior to use. Check contents of PrismRA kit to ensure nothing is expired or broken. If so, discard kit and use a new one.

- One Serum Separator tube (SST tiger top)
- Two PAXgene[™] Blood RNA tubes (red tops)
- Absorbent sleeve
- 3 oz. gel pack (DO NOT FREEZE)
- 5 labels for blood sample tubes
 (3 for blood sample tubes, 2 extra if needed)

- · Insulated foil envelope
- · Biohazard zip poly bag
- Shipping bag
- 2 pre-paid shipping labels (FedEx and UPS)
- Test requisition form (TRF)
- 1 label for the TRF

SAMPLE PREPARATION GUIDE



IMPORTANT

- Ideally all specimen tubes are shipped the SAME DAY as the blood draw, but the NEXT MORNING is acceptable
- All sample collection tubes must be stored at room temperature prior to use
- Discard the PrismRA kit and use a new one if any of the contents are expired or broken
- Do NOT freeze or refrigerate the gel pack prior to shipping



Label tubes



- Write patient's name, DOB, and date on provided labels
- Label two PAXgene[™] tubes (red tops) and one SST tube (tiger top)



Complete TRF



- Place QR code label at top right of TRF where indicated
- Complete required fields

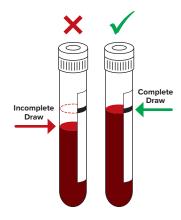


Draw blood



- Draw blood through the attachment of a 21g or 23g butterfly needle set
- Draw SST tube (tiger top) FIRST
- Draw PAXgene tubes (red tops) LAST
- Allow the tubes to completely fill as the flow will diminish to a drip at the end of the process
- Be sure to complete the draw for the first PAXgene tube before drawing the second to avoid test failure in case the blood draw volume is insufficient

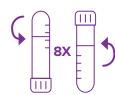
PAXgene Tube



Important

- If the vein fails and a redraw is needed, you MUST use another needle and draw a discard tube prior to drawing the PAXgene tube
- If a new tube(s) is needed, please use contents from an additional PrismRA kit
- Ensure all tubes are labeled with tube labels from the original kit
- Minimum amount of blood in PAXgene tubes is 2 mL or sample will be rejected

4 Invert sample tubes



 Slowly invert the two PAXgene tubes and the SST tube 8-10 times
 IMMEDIATELY

- Blood must be completely mixed with the reagent so the final color of the sample is uniform
- DO NOT SHAKE THE TUBES

5 PAXgene waiting period



- Place the PAXgene tubes upright in a test tube rack at ambient temperature for a minimum of 2 hours
- Do NOT spin the PAXgene tubes

SST waiting period



 Place the SST tube upright in a test tube rack at ambient temperature for a minimum of 30 minutes

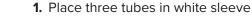


 If possible after the waiting period, SPIN JUST THE SST TUBE at a speed of 1000 to 1300 RCF for 10 minutes in a swinging bucket centrifuge or 15 minutes in a fixed-angle centrifuge

6 Package



After the waiting period, package tubes in the following order:





- 2. Place sleeve in foil envelope and add gel pack*
- **3.** Place envelope in biohazard bag and seal
- **4.** Place biohazard bag into kit box
- **5.** Add TRF and patient's insurance info to the kit and close
- 6. Place kit box in shipping bag and seal
- *Do NOT freeze or refrigerate the gel pack prior to shipping



Ship



- Adhere one pre-paid shipping label of the preferred carrier (FedEx or UPS) to the shipping bag and ship to Scipher
- All specimen tubes must be shipped within 24 hours of the blood draw, but ideally the SAME DAY OR NEXT MORNING to avoid test failure
- Do NOT ship on Saturday



- Ideally samples should be shipped the SAME DAY as the blood draw when possible
- Shipping the NEXT MORNING is acceptable as samples are stable for 72 hours
- Friday draws must be shipped the SAME DAY

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