



ENVIROBIOMICS COLLECTION AND SHIPPING INSTRUCTIONS FOR BLOOD SAMPLES

1. Complete Chain of Custody (CoC) form, **including ordering physician and service type**. Please note this is a physician ordered test. We recommend patients meet with their physician prior to ordering.
2. Patient blood sample(s) submission types:

EDTA tube (available at most institutions / phlebotomy services) Tube size may vary between manufacturers, lab will need 8 ml of whole blood or 2 tube of 4 ml. Tube provided with kit. The cap closure is lavender/purple in color and includes an EDTA (anticoagulant) solution inside.

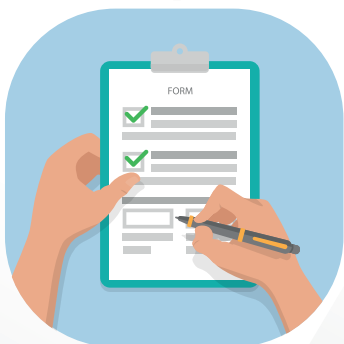
3. Clearly print the following information on the **blood collection tube and CoC**. Failure to include this information may result in a delay of sample processing:

1. Patient's date of birth (MM/DD/YY or MM/DD/YYYY).
2. Patient's full name.
3. Barcode (if available) OR patient's medical record number.
4. Collection date.

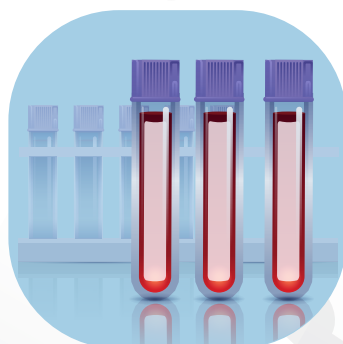
4. All collection supplies should be used within the expiration date and stored according to the manufacturer's instructions:

1. Samples that require storage prior to shipment are recommended to be stored at 2-8°C, up to a maximum of 5 days.
2. Prepare patients for blood draw; collect blood into the collection tube using your institution's recommended procedure for standard venipuncture. **It is recommended to collect 8 mL of blood per tube or 2 tubes of 4 ml each.**
3. Follow your institution's recommended procedure for storage while waiting for transportation.

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B



C



D





DOCUMENTATION AND SAMPLE SHIPMENT

1. Securely package patient blood sample(s) following the guidelines below, ensuring to double wrap when possible:
 1. Add water to the Ice bag and cool in freezer before collecting sample.
 2. Place blood sample in a hard plastic tube holder container.
 3. Attach ice bag to the tube holder using a rubber band.
 4. Place the complete item as detailed above in biohazard bag.
 5. Seal everything in bubble wrapped bag.
 6. And finally place in FedEx biohazard Overpack
2. Completed CoC (above) and put in FedEx package.
3. Use Return Shipping label if provided otherwise use your own shipping label, use address below.
4. Verify the shipping label information and affix label to outside of package:

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5. Write "EXEMPT HUMAN SPECIMEN" on package in clear bold print.

1. Drop package at FedEx shipping facility, or call FedEx directly to schedule a pickup at 1-800-463-3339
 2. Packages should ship with an Ice Pack provided with kit.
- 6. For any questions or concerns, please contact the lab at support@envirobiomics.com or 210-5702095.**

