SPECIMEN COLLECTION KIT INSTRUCTIONS FOR TUTIVIA

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Instructions

1. When taking the sample, if the PAXgene blood RNA tube is the only tube being drawn, a small amount of blood should be first drawn in the discard tube. Otherwise, the PAXgene blood RNA tube should be the last draw in the phlebotomy procedure and the discard tube is not needed. Please include two (2) patient identifiers on the PAXgene blood RNA tube, for example, patient's name and DOB. Please include the completed requisition form, making sure the patient identifiers on the tube and requisition are matching.

2. Hold the PAXgene blood RNA tube vertically upright below the donor's arm during blood collection. Allow at least 10 seconds for a complete draw. Ensure the blood has stopped flowing prior to removing the tube.

3. After the draw, invert the PAXgene blood RNA tube gently 8-10 times and then store the tube upright at room temperature (18-25° C) for at least 2 hours with a maximum of 48 hours. During this time, the RNA is stabilized. After the minimum of 2 hours stored upright at room temperature, the sample can be shipped to Verici Dx via the NanoCool Shuttle System.

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Shipping to Verici Dx:

1. Verify the two patient identifiers are included on the PAXgene blood RNA tube and match the requisition form. Place the tube in the absorbent sleeve and then place the sleeve into the provided biohazard bag. Insert the completed Verici Dx requisition form into the secondary sleeve of this bag and seal the bag. When preparing the shipment, open the shipper box and remove the contents from the box except for the lower portion of the NanoCool shuttle system; follow the steps illustrated on the back of this page to ensure safe and compliant shipping.

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Shipping Reminder: Shipments should be scheduled Monday through Thursday for delivery Tuesday through Friday. **If Saturday delivery is required, please call Verici Dx at (833) 243-4552, option 1 for the laboratory, at the time of shipment preparation.** Contact Verici Dx at *clientservices@vericidx.com* or call (833) 243-4552 with any questions or concerns.





PAXGENE BLOOD RNA SAMPLE SHIPPING INSTRUCTIONS

VERICI DX TEST KIT COMPONENTS

- NanoCool Shuttle 2-8°C Symptoms
- PAXgene Tube
- Discard Tube
- Biohazard Bag

- PAXgene RNA Tube Label
- Absorbent Tube Sleeve
- Requisition Form
- Sample Draw, Process, and Shipping Instructions

PAXGENE BLOOD RNA SAMPLE SHIPPING INSTRUCTIONS USING THE NANOCOOL SHUTTLE SYSTEM:

- 1. Following blood collection, labeling and 10x gentle inversion of PAXgene blood RNA tube, store the tube upright at room temperature (18°C to 25°C) for a minimum of 2 hours and a maximum of 48 hours, during which time the RNA is stabilized.
- 2. Verify the two patient identifiers have been added to the PAXgene blood RNA tube label and match the requisition form.
- 3. Place sample into absorbent tube sleeve and then place sleeve into the provided biohazard bag. Insert the completed Verici Dx requisition form into the secondary sleeve of this bag and seal the bag. Place one to four PAXgene blood RNA tubes into the segments of the absorbent tube sleeve; do not exceed 4 tubes per shipper.
- 4. When preparing the shipment, open the shipper box and remove the FedEx Clinical Pak, the instructions, the requisition form, the tube labels and then the NanoCool engine (top of the cooler) from the box. Leave the lower portion of the cooler. Follow the steps below to ensure safe and compliant shipping:
 - It is recommended to try and remove as much air as possible from the biohazard bag before sealing.
 - Activate the NanoCool by depressing the actuator tab on the inside of the product lid; a reference is included with activation instructions details.
 - Place the activated NanoCool 'engine' on the NanoCool payload compartment.
 - Close the box.
 - Tape the box closed.
 - Insert the sealed NanoCool Shuttle into the provided prepaid and prelabeled FedEx Clinical Pak.

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