

Collection Instructions for 'A' Stool Vial

Write your name and date of birth on the vial and record the date collected.

Please do not discard fluid in the stool vial. If liquid spills from the vial, please contact your provider for a replacement.

Please schedule sample collection so that you can ship on a Monday or Tuesday to ensure we receive your sample prior to the weekend.

Preparation

Avoid the following prior to collection:

- Bulk laxatives, osmotic or stimulant laxatives, rectal suppositories, vitamin C, heme iron supplements, rare red meat, and peroxidase containing foods (broccoli, cauliflower, radishes, parsnips, turnips, grapefruit, figs, horseradish, cantaloupe, and kale) for 3 days.
- Antacids, bismuth compounds, mineral oil, castor oil, activated charcoal, bentonite clay, enemas, and colonics for 1 week.
- Antifungal and antimicrobial medications or herbs for 2 weeks.

Collection for 'A' Stool Vial:

Stretch plastic wrap across toilet bowl or use a plastic container to catch stool. Then collect and transfer enough stool into the **'A' Stool Vial** to raise the liquid in the vial to the upper groove line, just below the bottom of the cap.

Use spoon to break up clumps and stir thoroughly.
Remove spoon from cap. (Discard spoon.)

Recap 'A' Vial tightly.

Shake sample vigorously for one minute.

Refrigerate your sample until shipment. Please ship as soon as possible within 2-3 days of collection.

PLEASE DO NOT freeze stool collections.

Shipping Instructions

US Domestic: Tuck front flap into box and seal with shipping label (included in box). Place label within dashed lines and adhere over front edge of box. Send from your most convenient shipping location, matching the carrier indicated on your return shipping label.

International: Seal box with clear tape. Ship with FedEx and select two to three day delivery. Shipping charges will apply. Deliveries can be made Monday through Friday. International shipping forms are available at www.diagnostechs.com (see Patients → Shipping Instructions).

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