

## SOP 2.7.1 Mid-Stream Urine Specimen

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### Purpose

This SOP describes the procedure for mid-stream urine collection from research participants.

### Responsibility

It is the responsibility of the research personnel carrying out this procedure to ensure that all steps are completed both competently and safely.

### Equipment

- Personal protective equipment: gloves
- Sterile urine container

### Procedure:

1. Research personnel will greet the research participant, identify themselves, and then explain the urine collection procedure to the research participant.
2. The research participant will be approached in a friendly calm manner and their co-operation will be gained prior to urine collection.
3. The research participant will be correctly identified prior to urine collection, by asking them to give their name and date of birth.

4. All sample containers and equipment needed to competently and efficiently carry out the urine collection will be assembled prior to the procedure.
5. The research participant will be asked to provide a urine sample by instructing them to discard the first part of the voided urine and without disrupting the flow to collect approximately 10mLs of urine in the sterile container.
6. A unique study identification number and/or bar code label will be applied to the sample immediately after urine collection. Record the time of urine collection in the study specific documentation or data management system.
7. Transport tubes to the processing laboratory as soon as is practicable or within a maximum of 24 hours for RNA isolation or 48 hours for DNA and/or protein extraction or for direct storage at -80°C. Tubes should be transported at 4°C in a polystyrene container on ice. Record the time processing was initiated and time of storage in the study specific documentation or data management system.

**Note:** As a general rule samples should be processed and reach the appropriate storage conditions as soon as is practicable. The maximum time limits proposed are guidelines and should be read in association with a study specific protocol.

### Change History

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