## Finger Stick Sample Requirements for DBS NAD Assay

Recommendations to aid in collection: 1) Run hands under warm water for a few minutes prior to collection. 2) Hydrate several hours before collection.

## DISINFECT AND PRICK FINGER



- Wash hands with soap and warm water. Dry with clean paper towel.
- 2. Select a finger and wipe end of finger with alcohol prep pad. Allow skin to dry completely.

## PUNCTURE USING LANCET DEVICE



- 3. Prick finger using a sterile single-use lancet according to manufacturer protocol:
  - Twist cap in either direction (as indicated by arrows) to remove.
  - · Press end into skin until lancet is released.
- 4. Dry wipe first spot of blood from finger with gauze before spotting.

# WIPE AWAY FIRST DROP OF BLOOD. LET SECOND DROP FALL ONTO CIRCLE. DO NOT FILL CIRCLE.



## Acceptable Specimen:





## **Unacceptable Specimens:**



No blood



Supersaturated blood

- Spot blood onto filter paper card in the center of the circle outlines.
  - Only ONE spot of blood per circle.
    DO NOT ATTEMPT TO FILL CIRCLE.
  - Do not spot on top of an existing blood spot.
  - Do not touch skin to the filter paper. If contact with skin occurs, wash hands immediately after collection.
  - · Blood spot must soak through to back of card.
  - Back of filter paper should not be in contact with any surface while spotting or drying.
- 6. Allow blood spots to dry completely before storage (approximately 3 hours).
- 7. Close protective flap after sample has dried to protect from light exposure.
- Place dry DBS card in biohazard bag with desiccant, seal, and store or ship.

## **Storage & Shipping Requirements:**

- DBS samples collected for NAD assay may be stored at room temperature for up to 7 days or at  $\geq$  -20°C for up to 4 months.
- Samples should be shipped overnight once dried or immediately after removal from storage.



To ensure results are analyzed and returned expediently, follow these steps:

## PREPARE PAPERWORK AND OBTAIN SAMPLE

- 1. Complete all fields on the test requisition and consent form using ball point pen.
- 2. Complete patient name and date on the DBS card.
- 3. Ensure the patient and/or parent(s) signature is captured on the consent form.
- 4. Use preferred collection method to fill all spots on the DBS card (see reverse side).

#### DRYING COLLECTED BLOOD SPOTS

- 5. Allow blood specimen to air dry horizontally at ambient temperature of 18° to 25°C (64° to 77°F), on nonabsorbent open surface for approximately **3 hours**.
  - · Do not touch the blood spots while drying.
  - · Keep protective flap open while drying.
  - Do not place test strips in front of air vents, use hair dryers, or other sources of moving air.
  - Test strips may be stored at room temperature for 7 days or at ≥ -20°C for up to 4 months.
  - Once dry, with the protective flap closed, samples can be stacked.

## PREPARE FOR SHIPPING

- Ship DBS card, test requisition form, and consent form as soon as test strip is fully dried.
- 7. Ship by preferred method to: PerkinElmer Genomics

ATTN: Metabolic Laboratory 250 Industry Drive, Suite 400 Pittsburgh, PA 15275

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

- All results will be sent by portal, fax, or mail to the recipient listed on the test requisition form.
- Notification of abnormal results will include a follow-up by a genetic counselor.
- For general questions on the collection and return of sample results, please call: PerkinElmer Genomics at +1 (866) 354-2910 (Monday-Friday, 8:00AM - 8:00PM ET) or on our website at perkinelmergenomics.com/contact/.



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