

HemaTIP™ Microsampler



How to Collect and Prepare Blood samples

With HemaTIP™, the collection media is the tip of an easy-to-hold stylus, simplifying the blood collection process. Once the sample is ready to be collected, the tip need only touch the blood and its super absorptive matrix media wicks the sample in approximately 3-6 seconds. Please note that the HemaTIP™ is simply another option for sample collection; Charles River 360 Diagnostics™ will continue to accept vials with serum samples diluted 1 part serum into 4 parts phosphate buffered saline (PBS) with antimicrobial agent, shipped overnight at ambient temperature.

Sampling Instructions

1. Label each individual HemaTIP™. To label, grasp the HemaTIP™ and wrap the label around the base, overlapping it on itself to secure in place. See Figure 1.
2. Use your current blood sampling procedure.
3. Touch HemaTIP™ to blood until tip is completely saturated/red. See Figure 1. *Do not submerge in blood.*
4. Place HemaTIP™ upright in clamshell case to dry for 1 hr at ambient temperature.

Following sample collection, HemaTIP™ can be stored at 4 degrees Celsius for up to six (6) months.

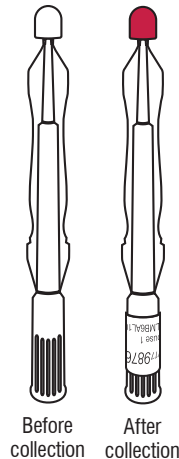


Figure 1.

Shipping Instructions

1. Four (4) HemaTIP™ samples fit in a single clamshell transport case. However, if you are submitting sample numbers that don't evenly add up to the number of transport cases available, we recommend that you place these individual HemaTIP™ samples in individual 5mL round-bottom tubes.
2. Put clamshell(s), desiccant pack and completed submission form in a sealed bag. Pack in shipping box or padded envelope.
3. Ship at ambient temperature to Charles River via commercial carrier (e.g., UPS).

Shipping Address:

Charles River
Serology Laboratory
261 Ballardvale Street
Building 22 Loading Dock
Wilmington, MA 01887
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