

## Blood Sample Collection IFU

### Before you start

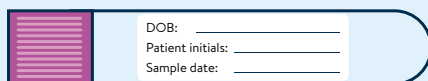
If the patient has had a transfusion within the past seven days, wait to collect the patient's sample until seven days have passed. If the sample cannot be shipped on the same day it is drawn, please refrigerate the sample until it can be shipped.

Please use your own EDTA purple top tube (we accept both K2EDTA and K3EDTA).

### Your sample test kit contains:

- 1 x Plastic specimen bag with absorbent sheet
- 1 x Pre-paid return envelope
- 1 x IFU
- 2 x Barcodes

### Step 1



Clearly write the patient's date of birth (DOB), initials and sample date on the EDTA tube label.

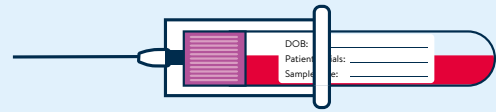
**Please do not include any other patient details on the label.**

Stick **one** barcode from the test kit provided onto the tube securely, making sure not to cover the handwritten patient information.

**If there is an original barcode on the tube, please make sure it's covered.**

The duplicate barcode in the box is provided for your own internal purposes should you need it. Please do not return this with the sample.

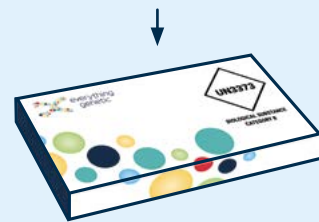
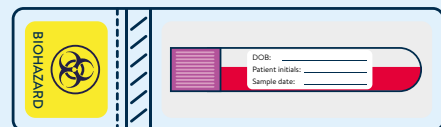
### Step 2



Draw blood from patient. Minimum volume requirement is 3mL for a 10mL tube and 2mL for a 4mL or 6mL tube.

After sample collection, gently invert the tube several times.

### Step 3



Seal the tube in the plastic specimen bag with absorbent sheet provided and place in the test kit box.

### Step 4



Seal the test kit box and place inside the pre-paid return envelope and send the sample to the laboratory via Royal Mail Tracked 24.

## Stability

Room temp at 15-25°C (short-term 1 day)

Refrigerated at 2-8°C (long-term 2-7 days)

## Additional information & exceptions

Blood specimens will be rejected if frozen and thawed, haemolysed or clotted.

Specimens can be refrigerated briefly before shipping. Only one (1) tube is accepted per patient. Additional tubes received from the same patient will be discarded.

The Everything Genetic cancer panels are not intended for patients with active circulating haematolymphoid neoplasm, allogeneic bone marrow transplant, or recent blood transfusion (within 7 days of testing), as the results of germline DNA analysis may be complicated by somatic and/or donor mutations.

Chemotherapy patients: DNA quality may be affected if a patient has received chemotherapy within the last 120 days. Please contact Everything Genetic to speak with a specialist before sending a sample.

## Customer care

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