

Paper Point Collection Instructions

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PLEASE READ INSTRUCTIONS THOROUGHLY **BEFORE** COLLECTING THE SAMPLE

Things to know before collecting samples

- Aminimum of EIGHT Paper Points <u>per area</u> must be used.
- The collection tubes are filled with gaseous nitrogen to preserve DNA during shipping. Keep tubes UPRIGHT and limit the amount of time that the tube is open.
- Nitrogen-filled tubes have a THREE-MONTH shelf life. Expired tubes can be replaced by contacting DNA Connexions.
- Samples that are not shipped immediately must be stored in a freezer.
- All paperpoints placed in the same collection tube will be tested together.

Paper Point Kit Contents:

- Small 1.5mL Nitrogen-filled Collection Tube (inside)
- Large 15mL Nitrogen-filled Collection Tube (outside)
- 10 Sterile Paper Points
- 2 Sterile Bite Sticks
- Biohazard Bag with Absorbent Materials
- UN3373 labeled Paper Point Collection box
- UPS Laboratory Pak UN3373 Category B
- UPS 2Day Return Shipping Label
- Instruction Packet with Intake Paperwork

Please contact us at any time if you are unclear regarding the instructions. Please contact your dentist if you have questions regarding medication usage.

Collection Instructions

- 1. Fill out the Intake Paperwork COMPLETELY.
- 2. Write patient name on the tubes and the biohazard bag with permanent ink.
- 3. Blot the area to be sampled with gauze to dry the area.
- 4. Insert several Paper Points into the interproximal gingival crevice of the area to be tested.
 - Sample each area with at least eight or more paperpoints.
- 5. Place the bite stick between the upper and lower teeth of the area to be sampled.
- 6. Have the patient bite several times on the bite stick for a full minute. Hold the lip away from the sample area, so the paperpoints are not dislodged.
 - If there is no opposing tooth, agitate the sample area with a gloved finger to force apical microbes upward.
- 7. Discard the bite stick.
- 8. Remove the Paper Points. Place the paperpoints into the 1.5mL tube.
 - Please keep the tubes closed until you are ready to place the sample inside. It is important to limit the amount of time the tubes are open to prevent the nitrogen gas from dissipating.
 - If you would like multiple samples tested and reported individually, they must be placed in separate collection tubes, and this must be notated on the Intake Paperwork.
- 9. Secure the lid of the small tube containing the sample. Place the small tube containing the sample inside of the large 15mL tube.
- 10. Place the tubes inside of the biohazard bag.
- 11. Please FREEZE the sample until you are ready to ship. **Return samples Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday only.**

Packaging and Shipping Instructions

- 1. Fill in the shipping label and place in box.
- 2. Put the biohazard bag containing the sample and the completed Paper Point Specimen Intake Protocol inside of the UN3373 box. This is the same box the kit came in.
- 3. Attach the shipping label onto the UPS Lab Pak, put the box inside of the UPS Lab Pak, and seal.
- 4. Go to UPS.com to find a drop off location near you.



Paper Point Specimen Intake Protocol

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Provider Name: :	
Address: :	
Provider Phone Number:	Provider Email:
Client Name:	
Date of Birth:	Sample 1 Sample 2
Contact Email:	☐ Tooth Area: ☐ Tooth Area: ☐ ☐ Tooth Area:
Contact Phone Number:	☐ Cavitation: ☐ Cavitation:
Mailing Address:	☐ Tissue Area: ☐ Tissue Area:
	Other Area: Other Area:
City:	
State: Zip Code:	Check here to run each sample separately
Collection Date:	for an individual charge and separate reports*
Oral Panel \$480 Total: \$	
Rush Fee \$99* Total: \$	
Order Total: \$	
Payment Options: 1. Online: https://dnaconnexions.com/product-category/return-your-sample/	
Transaction ID: / Order No.: / Invoice	e No.:
2. Call DNA Connexions at (888) 843-5832, option 1	
3. Credit Card: DNA Connexions will not store your credit card information	
Card Type (circle one): Visa M/C Amex Disc	
Card Holder Name (as it appears on card):	
Card number:	
Exp. Date:	
CVC:	
Card Holder's Billing Address:	

*Standard reporting generally takes 10 business days depending on the number of samples received. Rush fee results are typically available within 5 business days from the received date.

DNA Connexions Disclaimer

Upon submission of sample(s) to DNA Connexions, I acknowledge that DNA Connexions cannot provide a diagnosis for disease and/or subsequent treatment. These results are from DNA PCR testing and indicate the presence of targeted foreign DNA. This information alone should not be used to diagnose or treat a health problem or disease. All reported results are intended for a consultation with a qualified health care provider for interpretation, diagnosis and treatment.