



## Tooth Collection Instructions

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

### **Things to know before collecting samples**

- 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.**
- **Tooth Collection Kits are used for extracted teeth, dental implants, and/or necrotic bone samples. Special arrangements can be made for other sample types with approval from the lab manager prior to collection.**

### **Tooth Kit Contents:**

- 50mL Nitrogen-filled Collection Tube
- Parafilm
- Biohazard Bag with Absorbent Material
- UN3373 Labeled Tooth 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
2. Write your name on the tubes and the biohazard bag with permanent ink.
3. 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

- Multiple samples can be placed in the same tube to be combined and tested as a single panel

\*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. If you need additional tubes, please contact our office

4. Place the extracted tooth, dental implant, necrotic bone, or other approved sample in the 50mL collection tube.
5. Secure the lid of the tube and seal it by stretching the parafilm strips around the lid. The parafilm is located inside of the pocket on the side of the biohazard bag. You will need to peel the plastic parafilm from the paper backing.
6. Place the tube inside of the biohazard bag.
7. Disregard the white sheets inside of the biohazard bag, these are absorbent materials in case of a leak.
8. Please FREEZE the sample until shipment. **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 Blood 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.



# Tooth Specimen Intake Protocol

DNA Connexions  
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Provider Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Provider Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Provider Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Client Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**Collection Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Sample 1	Sample 2
<input type="checkbox"/> RCT	<input type="checkbox"/> RCT
<input type="checkbox"/> Nonvital Tooth	<input type="checkbox"/> Nonvital Tooth
<input type="checkbox"/> Implant	<input type="checkbox"/> Implant
<input type="checkbox"/> Bone	<input type="checkbox"/> Bone

Check here to run each sample separately for an individual charge and separate reports\*

Oral Panel      \$480      Total: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Rush Fee      \$99\*      Total: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Order Total: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

1. Online: <https://dnaconnexions.com/return-sample-pay-for-testing/>

Transaction ID: \_\_\_\_\_ / Order No.: \_\_\_\_\_ / Invoice 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/Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**\*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.