

INTERNATIONAL REGISTRY OF WERNER SYNDROME AND OTHER PROGEROID SYNDROMES

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RECOMMENDATIONS FOR SHIPPING PERIPHERAL BLOOD

NOTE: Whenever feasible, we can assist with arrangements for personal delivery by a member of our staff or of the submitting physician's staff.

Collection (Sterile Techniques)

We recommend lithium or sodium heparin (143 USP units/10ml) or EDTA (0.1 ml of sterile 15% EDTA per 10 ml of blood). Label with subject's name, birthdate and collection date. The sodium heparin or EDTA used for routine chemical laboratory work should suffice. Use of preservative-free heparin is optional. Patient name may be coded. A minimum of two tubes (16-20 ml of blood) is required, but a third tube (total of 25-30 ml of blood) is desirable. Delivery time, especially for EDTA tubes, should not exceed 4 days.

Packaging

Ambient (room) temperature. Include room temperature refrigerant pack (such as thawed "blue ice") or 12 ounce container of water as a temperature buffer; temperature extremes can destroy the sample. Place blood tubes in waterproof bag with absorbent, then in styrofoam insulating container and then in cardboard box. Our laboratory can provide suitable pre-addressed packages and anticoagulant tubes if desired.

Carrier

Federal Express or DHL will pick up blood directly from any clinic. Third party billing address: University of Washington, Purchasing Department ND-10, Seattle, WA, USA 98105. Charge to **Federal Express account number 237162609, internal billing 62-5429**. For DHL shipments, receipts are needed for reimbursement.

Notification

It is important that we are able to follow the shipment so we can guarantee the timely arrival of this valuable and fragile material. Please communicate the airbill number and date of shipment as soon as possible to Nancy Hanson at her email address nbhanson@u.washington.edu . Fax number 206-685-8356, phone number 206-543-5088 in Seattle. Collect calls will be accepted.

Package Markings

Medical research, please rush
Do not freeze
Customs: Human Blood Samples for Diagnostic Purposes
Non-Infectious
No Monetary Value
EIN #916001537
Phone (206) 543-5088

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