



Collection and Shipment of Blood/DNA for Genetic Testing

1. Draw 10cc of peripheral, whole blood into a lavender/pink top tube (containing EDTA) (9mL for Comprehensive analysis, 4mL for Predictive test).

There **must** be at least **2 unique** patient/sample identifier's on the outside of the sample collection tube e.g. label the tube with the patient's name, date of birth, your reference number.

2. High quality DNA ($A_{260}/A_{280} > 1.7$) ($2\mu\text{g}$ for full screen and $0.5\mu\text{g}$ for Predictive test) also can be submitted for genetic testing.
3. For some test requests an alternative source of genetic material can be accepted for testing (please contact GTG for details)
4. Wrap the tube in bubble wrap or other protective material and place inside a sealed plastic canister with enough absorbent material to absorb all the liquid if a spill occurs.
5. Place plastic canister containing blood sample in the shipping container provided.

Note: If the package is being transported by air, the person packing and sending the sample is required by IATA/CASA to have completed a 'Safe Transport by Air' Course.

DO NOT FREEZE THE BLOOD SAMPLE

6. Place the completed sample submission form, signed consent form and signed payment option form, as well as any other paperwork (e.g. clinical notes or other correspondence) in the shipping container.
7. Ship the sample by an overnight carrier, to arrive at GTC on a weekday (Monday through Friday). (PLEASE CONTACT GTC FOR SPECIAL DELIVERY ARRANGEMENT)

Ship to the following address:

**Genetic Technologies Corporation
Attention: Specimen Reception
Medical Diagnostic Laboratory
60-66 Hanover Street
Fitzroy, Victoria 3065**