Wet Prep Test Collection Instructions

1. Use a plain Red Top tube, with no serum separator (gel) inside. The Red Top is called a Serum Clot Activator tube.

![Red Top tube](image1)

2. Collect specimen using a Dacron, wooden or cotton swab. Place 1 ml of saline in the Red Top tube (enough to cover the tip of the swab) and place swab in tube and seal the cap.

![Specimen collection](image2)

3. Label tube with the full patient name, date of birth, and the collection date/time.

4. Keep specimen at room temperature and contact NWH Lab for a STAT pick up at 617-243-6300.