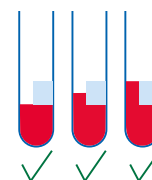
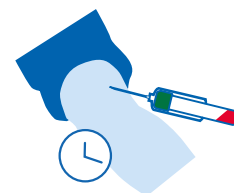
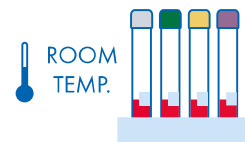


QuantiFERON[®]-TB Gold Plus Blood Collection



Critical points for direct draw of patient blood samples into the QuantiFERON-TB Gold Plus (QFT[®]-Plus) Blood Collection Tubes:

1. Tubes must be at room temperature at the time of blood collection.
2. Ensure the correct tube is selected based on the altitude of the collection site. Refer to the QuantiFERON-TB Gold Plus Blood Collection Tubes Instructions for Use for details.
3. It is recommended to record the time and date of blood collection.
4. Do not cover the lot number provided on the QFT-Plus Blood Collection Tube with any patient label.
5. If a butterfly needle is used to collect blood, a purge tube should be used to ensure that the tubing is filled with blood prior to the QFT-Plus Blood Collection Tubes being used.
 - If having difficulty with the blood draw, use a smaller gauge needle.
6. It is recommended to use a tourniquet throughout the blood draw.
7. QFT-Plus Blood Collection Tubes draw blood slowly. Keep the tube on the needle for 2–3 seconds once the tube appears to have completed filling.
8. The black mark on the side of the tubes indicates the validated range of 0.8–1.2 ml. If the blood meniscus touches the black bar, the fill level is acceptable.
 - If the level of blood in any tube is outside of the indicator mark, a new blood sample should be obtained.
9. A volume check should be performed immediately after blood draw. Underfills should not make it to the testing lab.
10. Alternative draw methods are available using a syringe or a heparinized tube. For detailed instructions, consult the QuantiFERON-TB Gold Plus Blood Collection Tubes Instructions for Use.



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