

Use when vacutainer set is unavailable. Requires careful transfer to avoid haemolysis.

1 Confirm consent

Owner info sheet reviewed. **Signed consent form** completed before any draw.

3 Minimise patient stress

Calm restraint only. Tourniquet ≤ 30 sec **maximum**. No prolonged pressure.

5 Transfer to the Streck tube

Remove needle. **Gently depress plunger** — no force. Fill to **5 mL line**.

2 Prepare equipment

Syringe: **5–10 mL, 21G/22G needle**. Streck BCT tube ready — do not uncap yet.

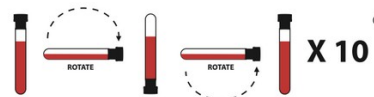


4 Draw blood via syringe

Jugular (preferred) or cephalic. Draw ≥ 5.5 mL slowly. Release tourniquet before withdrawing.

6 Invert, label & post

Invert **10× gently**. Apply **pre-printed ID label**. UN3373 bag. Post **within 24 h**.



DO NOT

- × Centrifuge or spin sample
- × Refrigerate or freeze tube
- × Use tubes/ syringes containing EDTA, citrate, or heparin
- × Expel blood forcefully
- × Draw via catheter
- × Post after 24 h
- × Avoid 23G needle

QUICK REFERENCE

Volume	≥ 5 mL
Syringe	5–10 mL, 21G/22G
Storage	Room temp
Stability	≤ 7 days RT

 **Streck Nucleic Acid Plus®**
Dark Grey Cap • 5 mL

Preferred method. Closed-system draw directly into Streck BCT — minimises haemolysis and pre-analytical error.

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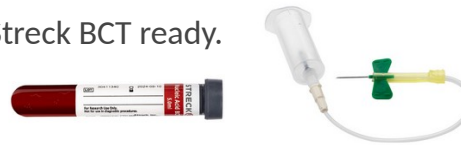
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5 Engage Streck tube

Push tube onto adaptor. Fill to **5 mL graduation mark** under vacuum. Do not overfill.

2 Prepare equipment

Attach **21G/22G butterfly needle** to vacutainer adaptor (both provided). Have Streck BCT ready.

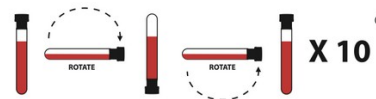


4 Insert needle & confirm flash

Jugular (preferred) or cephalic. Confirm **blood flash in tubing** before advancing tube onto adaptor.

6 Invert, label & post

Remove tube before withdrawing needle. Invert **10× gently**. Apply ID label. UN3373 bag. Post **within 24 h**.



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