

Feline DNA Sample Collection Procedure

Each DNA sample collection kit consists of a package of 4 buccal (cheek) swabs.

Collection procedure:

- 1) Please fill out the information on the order form and small envelope. It is very important that all 4 swabs returned are from the same feline. If you would like to submit another cat you will need another kit.
- 2) Open the plastic package and remove a swab. Grasp the plastic handle and pull the swab out; avoid touching the soft end of the swab.
- 3) Hold the cat by the scruff with one hand and with the other hand, place the swab into cat's mouth against the inside surface of the cheek.
- 4) Twirl the swab against inside of the cheek for several seconds. The objective is to collect loose CHEEK cells, not saliva.
- 5) Immediately insert the swab in the small white envelope with the cat's information printed on it. **DO NOT RETURN THE SWABS TO THE ORIGINAL PLASTIC SLEEVE.**
- 6) Seal the envelope. Make sure the sample is properly labeled with your cat's correct information.
- 7) Repeat the process for the next 3 swabs- Ideally, you should use 2 swabs per cheek side. Discard the plastic sleeve.
- 8) If you plan to collect more than one cat, wash your hands between cats to prevent any cross-contamination.
- 9) Please return samples with forms in the return envelope to:
Veterinary Diagnostics Center
225 Corporate Court
Fairfield, OH 45014



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