

## CHECKLIST (PRIOR TO SHIPPING)

### 1. All Tubes

- Patient's **First and Last Name, Date of Birth, and Collection Start Time and Stop Time** written on all tube labels
- The specimen **reaches** the FILL LINES in all tubes
  - **3 ml** – White-top tubes
  - **1 ml** – Blue-top tubes
- All the tubes are **tightly closed**

### 2. Tubes

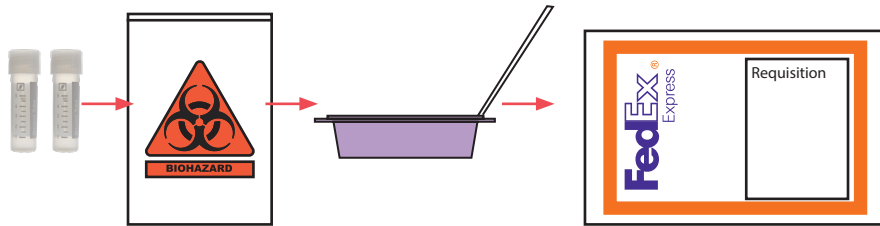
- All Tubes - frozen

### 3. Test Requisition Form with Payment

- Test Requisition Form is complete – **Test is marked, patient's first and last name, date of birth, gender, and time collection ended** are recorded
- Payment** is included or pay online at [www.gdx.net/prc](http://www.gdx.net/prc)

### 4. Return to the Laboratory

- Please place samples in biohazard bag, then place biohazard bag in clamshell container. Place container in mailing envelope with requisition. No need to send plastic tray.



## SHIP THE SPECIMEN(S) TO THE LAB

Please refer to the shipping instruction insert found in your kit box.



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## MALE HORMONES PLUS PROFILE

### PATIENT SALIVA COLLECTION INSTRUCTIONS




The following test(s) can be collected using these instructions:

**Male Hormone Plus™\*** #4006

**Add-on**  
**Cortisol Awakening Response (CAR)\*** #4309

*\* Not available in New York*

**! Test may not be processed without this information:**

<b>Test Requisition Form</b>	<b>All Tubes</b>
	
<b>Please Provide:</b>	<b>Please Label:</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> Patient's First/last Name	<input type="checkbox"/> Patient's first/last name
<input type="checkbox"/> Date of Birth	<input type="checkbox"/> Patient's date of birth
<input type="checkbox"/> Gender	<input type="checkbox"/> Collection date
<input type="checkbox"/> Date of Collection	<input type="checkbox"/> Collection start/stop time

**Please read and follow instructions completely to ensure accurate results.**

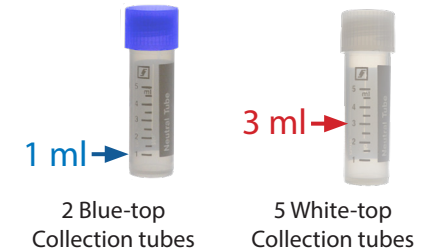
### Specimen

Saliva

### Additional Materials

- Biohazard bag with absorbent material
- Test Requisition Form
- Collection labels
- Prepaid mailing envelope

### Collection Materials for Saliva



# IMPORTANT PREP PRIOR TO TESTING

## IMPORTANT:

- It is important that you collect saliva according to the Collection Schedule below. All samples must be collected within one day.
- Consider waking at **6am** on day of collection.
- If you have difficulty producing enough saliva for the tube, press the tip of your tongue to the roof of your mouth against your teeth. Yawning can also generate saliva.
- Transdermal (cream) and sublingual bio-identical hormones** may produce artificially high levels in the saliva that do not correlate with blood levels. This increase

from cream hormones may last for weeks to months after discontinuing use. If you are taking these substances – or have taken them within the last 12 months – please consult with your healthcare practitioner before taking this test.

- The following drugs, herbs and dietary supplements may influence levels of hormones reported in this test:** ketoconazole, cimetidine (Tagamet), anastrozole (Arimidex), letrozole (Femara), exemestane (Aromasin), Chrysin, Apigenin, Tribulus terrestris, clomiphene,



## IMPORTANT:

antiepileptics, digoxin, oral steroids (e.g. Prednisone), cortisone cream, and any steroid-based nasal sprays, inhalers, or eye drops. Let your physician know about these and any other medications, herbs, and supplements that you have used in the past 3 months. Do not change use of supplements or medications unless instructed to do so by your healthcare provider.



## NIGHT BEFORE COLLECTION:

- Before you go to sleep on Collection Day, place your collection tube (with a completed label) at your bedside, along with a glass of water and a low level light. Do not turn on a bright light, it will cause your melatonin level to drop.



## ONE HOUR BEFORE COLLECTION:

- One hour prior to collection do not eat, brush or floss your teeth, use mouthwash, chew gum or use any tobacco products. You may drink ONLY water during this time.

For full details refer to: [www.gdx.net/tests/prep](http://www.gdx.net/tests/prep)

## COLLECTION

**IMPORTANT: To ensure accurate test results you MUST provide the requested information.**

- Write patient's first and last name, date of birth, gender, and dates of collection on the Test Requisition Form.

### Collecting Your Saliva Samples:

- Fill tube with saliva to designated level, without bubbles or mucus, within 5 minutes. **Replace** the cap tightly to avoid leakage.



- Please **write** the patient's first and last name, date of birth, and the start and stop collection times on the label. **Attach** the label to the collection tube.

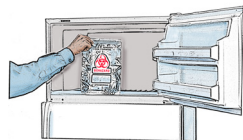
NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ **1**  
 D.O.B.: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_  
 START TIME: \_\_\_\_\_  
 STOP TIME: \_\_\_\_\_



- Freeze** tube immediately. Samples must be frozen a minimum of 2 hours prior to shipping. Keep samples frozen until ready to ship.



- Repeat** these steps for each sample according to the Specimen Collection Chart.



Please refer to your requisition for the testing option ordered by your clinician. Pay close attention to the collection times and amount of saliva required. Failure to do so may cause samples to be rejected or alter results.

Male Hormones Plus

Labels 1, 2, 3, 4, 5

with Cortisol Awakening Response:

Labels 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6

SPECIMEN COLLECTION CHART		
SPECIMEN INTERVALS	MH+	with CAR
<b>WAKING</b> Collect immediately upon waking		1 ml
<b>30 MINUTES</b> Collect 30 minutes from end of waking collection		1 ml
Collect Between <b>7:00AM – 9:00AM</b>	3 ml	3 ml
Collect Between <b>11:00AM – 1:00PM</b>	3 ml	3 ml
Collect Between <b>3:00PM – 5:00PM</b>	3 ml	3 ml
Collect Between <b>10:00PM – 12:00AM</b>	3 ml	3 ml
Collect between <b>2:30AM - 3:30AM</b>	3 ml	3 ml