# How to Easily Obtain Blood for the Allergy Molecular Proteomic Test 

Collection of drops of blood is easy and simple to do at home with a fingerstick


Step 1

## Complete Fingerstick Card

Please Print using a ball-point pen on the outside of the Fingerstick Card the following:

Name
Date of Birth
Date of Collection

Step 2

## Prepare

Wash Hands with soap and warm/hot water (as recommended by WHO)
or
Rub Hands together for 20 seconds (increase blood flow)

Step 3

## Wipe Finger

Typically select the $3^{\text {rd }}$ Finger
Rub Inside of finger with Sterile Alcohol Prep Pad for 15 seconds (not fingertip - less nerve endings, draws more blood)


The side of the finger will be the target for the fingerstick

Step 4

## Prick Finger

Prick Inside of Finger in area prepared by Sterile Alcohol Pad (remove clear plastic cover, putting that end of the lancet against inside of finger)

Push Firmly Top of Lancet (with steady pressure until you hear a click)

Squeeze Finger (hold finger up to obtain a drop)


## Step 5

## Drop Blood on Card

Hold Finger over Blood Card
Drop (not dab) Blood on Circles
Fill all Five Circles Completely in Sequence


Step 6

## Apply Gauze

Apply Gauze and Pressure on
Finger for 5 minutes to stop any Bleeding


Step 7

## Apply Band-Aid

Apply Band-Aid on Finger at site of fingerstick

Please dispose of Lancet \& Gauze in nearby trash container


## Step 8

## Prepare Specimen Bag

Allow Blood Card to Dry (15 minutes), then Close Flap of Fingerstick Card (OK to tape closed)

Place Fingerstick Card inside Specimen
 Bag \& Seal Plastic Flap

Step 9

## Ship to Lab

Place Specimen Bag in Shipping Bag
Place Shipping Label on front of Shipping Bag

Drop Shipping Bag at the UPS Pickup Location

Obtain Tracking \# from UPS Pickup Location and email to Provider same day

