

The following protocol is a method for the collection and preparation of sputum samples for use in tuberculosis testing using OMNIgene®-SPUTUM.

**Note:** TB bacteria will remain viable in the OMNIgene-SPUTUM reagent.

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#### Intended use

OMNIgene•SPUTUM optimizing reagent is intended for liquefaction and decontamination of fresh or frozen sputum samples while maintaining viable *Mycobacterium tuberculosis* (MTb).

The liquid-based reagent enables shipping and storage of sputum for 8 days between 4°C and 40°C.

#### Summary and explanation of reagent

OMNIgene•SPUTUM is a reagent that facilitates the collection and transport of sputum samples for use in tuberculosis testing. This product liquifies and decontaminates sputum samples while enabling ambient temperature transport for up to 8 days.

#### Quantity

OMNIgene • SPUTUM reagent is available in various volumes.

Examples		
Product	Volume	
OM-SPD-50	50 mL	
OM-SPD-250	250 mL	
OM-SPD-1000	1000 mL	

# Warnings and precautions

# For In Vitro Diagnostic Use

 Clinical specimens which may contain *Mycobacterium tuberculosis* should be considered infectious and handled with appropriate biosafety precautions and standards (follow local and/or federal regulations as appropriate).

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2. Do NOT use after the "Use by" date indicated on the bottle label.

#### Storage

OMNIgene•SPUTUM should be stored at room temperature (15°C to 40°C).

#### **Safety information**

Wash with water if reagent comes in contact with eyes or skin. Do NOT ingest.

Safety data sheet (SDS) is available at www.dnagenotek.com

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#### Specimen collection and handling

### Protocol for collecting sputum with OMNIgene-SPUTUM reagent

#### Reagents included

• OMNIgene•SPUTUM

#### Equipment supplied by user

- Standard collection cup/tubes for sputum
- Pipettes and pipette tips

#### **Procedure**

Collection steps	Notes
1. Collect sputum into standard collection cup or tube.	
2. Visually estimate volume of sputum collected.	
3. Add approximately an equal volume of OMNIgene-SPUTUM reagent.	
4. Recap collection cup tightly.	
5. Vigorously invert specimen 10 times to mix.	
6. Incubate specimen at room temperature (15°C-25°C) for a minimum of 15 minutes. Periodic mixing (by inversion or vortexing) will facilitate liquefaction.	Highly mucoid specimens may require longer hold times or the addition of NALC to ensure full liquefaction is achieved.
	Samples may remain between 4°C and 40°C for up to 8 days before proceeding with the next step.

# Protocol for specimen preparation for smear, culture, Cepheid GeneXpert® and molecular diagnostics

The following protocol is for the preparation of sputum samples in OMNIgene • SPUTUM optimizing reagent.

#### Equipment and reagent supplied by user

- Centrifuge that can accommodate 50 mL tubes and is capable of generating  $3,800 \times g$
- 50 mL conical polypropylene tubes (e.g., Sarstedt #62.547.205)
- Sterile phosphate buffered saline (PBS) or sterile water
- · Appropriate biosafety equipment and personal protective equipment as required by your institution and/or biosafety committee

# **Procedure**

Sample preparation steps	Notes
1. Vortex for 15–20 seconds or invert 10–20 times to mix.	
2. Spin OMNIgene-SPUTUM specimen at 3,000 - 3,800 $\times$ $g$ for 20 minutes to obtain a sediment.	Transfer sample to a 50 mL conical tube if needed. If a compact sediment is not formed re-spin specimen at 3,800 x $g$ .
3. Gently pour off supernatant into appropriate waste container without disturbing the sediment. <b>Do NOT discard sediment.</b>	The sediment contains viable Mycobacterium tuberculosis.
4. Resuspend the sediment in sufficient volume of sterile phosphate buffered saline or sterile water in order to complete standard laboratory test procedures.	
<ul> <li>5. Aliquots may be removed for:</li> <li>a) Smear</li> <li>b) Culture testing (including BBL MGIT culture system) and solid culture</li> <li>c) Cepheid GeneXpert® MTb/RIF testing</li> <li>d) Molecular diagnostics</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>a) Follow laboratory SOPs for smear.</li> <li>b) Follow laboratory SOPs for culture.</li> <li>c) Follow manufacturer's recommended protocol for Cepheid GeneXpert® MTb/RIF.</li> <li>d) For molecular diagnostics,         follow DNA Genotek's prepIT®•MAX for TB purification protocol or other DNA         extraction protocols.</li> </ul>

#### Shipping

Note: TB bacteria will remain viable in OMNIgene•SPUTUM reagent.

Samples optimized using OMNIgene•SPUTUM reagent should be considered infectious/dangerous goods and travel as UN3373, Biological Substance, Category B.

Packaging and shipment of specimens in OMNIgene•SPUTUM reagent must be done in accordance with local regulations and/or IATA guidelines for the shipment of biohazardous/infectious specimens.

#### Disposa

Disposal of this product should comply with any local or regional regulations.

#### Technical support is available Monday to Friday (9h00 to 17h00 EST):

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