

## Storage recommendations for PERFORMAbiome<sup>™</sup>•GUT samples

These recommendations are intended to provide guidance for the storage of animal fecal samples collected and stabilized in PERFORMAbiome•GUT.

- **Room temperature storage:** Samples collected in PERFORMAbiome•GUT can be stored at room temperature for up to 60 days after sample collection.
- Long-term storage: We recommend that PERFORMAbiome•GUT samples be aliquoted into cryovials and stored at -80°C for long term storage.
- Short-term storage at -80°C: PERFORMAbiome•GUT samples can be frozen at -80°C in the PERFORMAbiome•GUT tube for up to 1 month.
- Short-term storage at -20°C: PERFORMAbiome•GUT samples can be stored in either the PERFORMAbiome•GUT tube or in cryovials for months at -20°C.
- Storage at 4°C: We do not recommend storing PERFORMAbiome•GUT samples at 4°C.
- Freeze-thaw cycles: PERFORMAbiome•GUT will preserve the microbial community structure and maintain DNA integrity for up to 6 freeze-thaw cycles.

	Room temperature	4°C	-20°C	-80°C
In PERFORMAbiome•GUT tube	Up to 60 days	Not recommended	months	1 month
In cryovials with O-ring	Up to 60 days	Not recommended	months	years

Table 1: Storage recommendations for samples collected and stabilized with PERFORMAbiome•GUT.

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