



Clinic and Lab Staff Guidelines

ProteX™ fully replaces the traditional specimen cup in your clinic process. ProteX is designed to protect sperm from thermal fluctuations and biochemical stressors that lower motility, lower counts, and negatively affect sperm quality. This protection occurs no matter if a patient collects in the clinic or at home. The ProteX collection method requires **adding 1 mL of room temperature, pH-buffered media to ProteX prior to the patient collecting.**

Collecting in Clinic

Prior to patient collection appointment, bring pre-measured 1 mL pH-buffered media to room temperature. Just prior to collection, clinic staff member must add the room temperature media to sterile ProteX and then re-seal the ProteX container for the patient. Instruct the patient to collect as they would in a specimen cup.

Collecting at Home

At the end of the initial patient consultation appointment, assemble the patient's take-home bag. Provide the patient a window of time to collect and agree to timing for sample drop-off. Upon drop-off, staff must ensure proper labelling is secure and chain of custody documentation is filled out before patient leaves.

How to Assemble ProteX Patient Take-home Bags

ProteX take-home bags may be obtained through your ProteX representative, or you may create your own. Contents should include:

- ProteX** in sterile sealed packaging
- 1 mL of media** in a small vial provided by your practice
- Patient instructions:** How to Collect in ProteX
- Optional:** Single-use sperm safe lubricant only as recommended by fertility team
- Patient labels** consistent with your clinic's/laboratory's standard policies
It is recommended that the label include a place to record time of collection.
- Return instructions** provided by your practice
It is recommended to include location, date, and time to return the sample.

Do you have a custom instruction request?

Contact your ProteX representative for other language options or special instructions unique to your clinic and patients.

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