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# Home Bowel Screening Test

Easy to follow instructions to get quick, accurate results.









**Accurate:** Smith Biomed tests are easy to use and provide accurate results.



Accessible and private: Get personal health information in the privacy of your own home.

# Preparation: what you'll need + what to avoid

# The Smith Biomed Bowel Screening kit; containing

- · Stool collector
- Specimen collection tube (with extraction buffer liquid)
- · Test cassette

# What you'll need

- Timer set to 5 minutes
- An appropriate level surface, such as a bathroom vanity

### **Additional considerations**

- Avoid testing within 3 days before or after a menstrual period
- Avoid alcohol and aspirin for at least 48 hours prior to testing
- When taken in excess, some medications can cause gastrointestinal irritation and bleeding. If it can be done safely, these substances should be discontinued at least 48 hours prior to testing.
- Do not eat, drink, smoke or vape in the area where the specimens or kits are handled.
- Handle all specimens as if they contain infectious agents and ensure sanitary disposal.
- The test should remain in the sealed pouch until use. Do not use after the expiry date.

# Procedure - how to do the test



#### Collection

Position the stool catcher provided in the kit across the toilet seat and when ready, collect a stool specimen in the catcher (not into the toilet).



#### Mix

Shake the closed collection tube vigorously to mix the stool specimen with the clear buffer liquid.



### **Arrange**

Once you are ready to test the specimen, remove the test cassette from the foil pouch and place it on a level surface. Best results occur when the test is performed immediately after opening the foil pouch.



Keep out of reach of children

# **Assembly**

Unscrew the < blue > cap from the collection tube, and push the applicator into the specimen in 3 different sites.

Do not scoop. Carefully screw the applicator back into the collection tube.



#### Wash

While no personal contamination should have occurred, at this point it's good practice to wash and dry your hands in preparation for the test.



#### Test

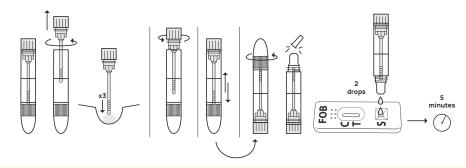
Invert the collection tube, and screw open the < white > cap. Break off the tip and transfer 2 full drops of liquid to the specimen well (S) of the test cassette, avoiding air bubbles. Start your timer for 5 minutes.



#### Results

#### Read your results at the 5 minute mark.

Do not read results after 10 minutes when the test will have expired.



#### Conclusion: how to read the results



## Positive: Two coloured lines appear

— one line in the control region (C) and one line in the test region (T). Because the intensity of the line will vary depending on the amount of blood detected, even a very faint line in the test region (T) should be considered positive.



Negative: One coloured line appears in the control region (C) and nothing appears in the test line region (T).



## Invalid: Control line fails to appear

(C). An insufficient specimen amount or incorrect technique are the most likely reasons for failure. Review the procedure and repeat the test with a new kit. If the problem persists, discontinue using the test kit and contact your local distributor.

If the result is positive — consult with your doctor