

Relevant Information on QAP?

Stability: It is essential that these samples have HbA1c testing performed as soon as possible. Ideally this should be on the same day that the samples are received.

Reconstitution: No reconstitution is required as the sample is fresh whole blood.





Materials Required

- 2 QAP vials of Fresh Whole Blood EDTA Samples (as per schedule)
- 2 Afinion HbA1c Test cartridges
- PPE- e.g. Gloves

Preparing QAP Materials

1. Remove aqueous sample from the refrigerator at least **one hour** prior to sampling. Allow to equilibrate at room temperature (18-25°C)
2. Swirl the vial gently to ensure homogeneity
3. Sample immediately – **Follow process below to analyse QAP sample**

Performing QAP Test

1. Switch on the analyser by pressing the ON/OFF button
2. Pull sampling device straight up from the Test cartridge.
Fill the capillary completely with the QAP sample from the vial as in picture
3. Log on entering/scanning your Operator ID
4. Select the Patient Sample icon  on analyser screen
5. Insert Test cartridge (barcode facing left)
6. Close lid to start analysis
7. Touch the Patient ID icon  then enter QAP sample number for vial being run. Touch the Enter  icon
8. Results will appear on screen. Accept result by touching the Accept icon  then wait for lid to automatically open
9. Remove Test cartridge and discard sample in biohazard waste
10. Manually close the lid
11. Repeat steps 1-10 for the second QAP vial

