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## **QUANTIFERON (QTF) TB Gold Plus**

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE PATIENT

**Days on which the blood sample can be taken**: blood samples can be taken from Monday to Friday, excluding public holidays.

Type of tubes: kit consisting of four dedicated tubes (Quantiferon grey cap, red cap, purple cap, green cap), an adapter and a blood collection set with butterfly needle.

Storage of test tubes: test tube kits can be stored at a temperature between 4 °C and 25 °C until the expiry date. Test tubes must be at a temperature of 17 - 25 °C at the time of collection.

## **SAMPLING METHOD:**

- Insert the butterfly needle into the vein.
- Attach the joint and check that the tube has filled with blood before using the QTF test tubes and/or collect first a serum test tube.
- Connect the QTF test tubes and drain the blood (blood flow stops as soon as the level indicated by the black mark on the side of the tubes is reached). It is important to collect the marked level.
- Mix the contents of the tubes by turning upside down for 8-10 times, or shaking them for 5 seconds, ensuring that the entire inner surface of the test tube is covered with blood.
  Shaking the test tubes is essential to ensure that the blood sample completely mixes with the tube contents.
- Paste the barcoded labels without covering the black mark. Should further tests be required for the same patient, the SARDEST tubes in use at the facility must be connected as well.