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Please follow instructions below as microbiological contamination from non-semen sources (e.g. commensal organisms from the skin) must be avoided.

COLLECTION OF THE SAMPLE

1. Ideally, specimens should be produced at 76 Wimpole Street. Alternatively, specimens may be produced at home.
2. Ideally patients should not have had sex or masturbated for 48 hours before collecting the sample.
3. Prior to sample production, pass urine.
4. Wash hands and penis with soap to reduce the risk of contamination of the specimen with commensal organisms from the skin. Rinse away the soap.
5. Dry hands and penis with a fresh disposable towel.
6. Collect the sample by masturbation, collecting the entire specimen directly into the sterile container provided. No other sample container is acceptable.
7. Ensure your name, date of birth and time of production is written on the container label.

DELIVERY OF THE SAMPLE

Hand the sample with the request/referral form to a member of staff in the Andrology office at The Doctors Laboratory.

UNLABELLED SPECIMEN POTS WILL NOT BE PROCESSED

If you have any difficulties associated with the collection and delivery of your sample please contact the laboratory on 020 7025 7940.