

Sample Preparation for Proteomics

Please Help us Help you Keep Sample Processing Time as Swift as we can Just 10 minutes of your preparation can help us process your samples quicker



Contact Us



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The Submission Sheet

Please Always Email the Core Member you Work with <u>Before</u> Beginning the Process of Submitting Samples so that we know to expect your samples



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Sample Labeling

Process samples as you would in your lab and create labels for shipment to us following these guidelines

- Samples sent to us should be labeled with your unique ID on the top of the tube using your initials and a number:
 - For example First, Last becomes FL#
- Start your first set using FL1. Start any subsequent sets with the next number
 - **<u>Do not</u>** include any other information on the tubes
 - Conditions are only input in sample submission form
- See right for a properly labled example set and sample sheet from the submission system (f.1)
- Write the labels on the top of a <u>connected</u> tube cap
 - Using labels on the sides of tubes is ok
 - Do not use any form of tape as a label as they are too thick to have in a centrifuge or in a rack
- See the right for a proper tube label (f.2)

f.1 – showing sample labels for submitter Lauren Dixon A following set should be labeled LD8 and on

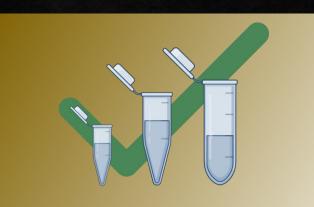
Samplesheet: - 10 samples			
Show descriptions RESI	ZE COLUMNS 🔻		
*Name of sample	*Unique ID	Condition	Only if you digested your own
	Give each sample a 3 digit		Volume to inject if these are
	identifier starting with your		prepared by you.
	Initials. Label your tubes with		
Mouse 1 - ctrl	LD1	Control	
Mouse 2 - ctrl	LD2	Control	
Mouse 3- ctrl	LD3	Control	
Mouse 1 - Iow fat	LD4	Low Fat	
Mouse 2 - Iow fat	LD5	Low Fat	
Mouse 3- low fat	LD6	Low Fat	
Mouse 1 - high fat	LD7	High Fat	
Mouse 2 - high fat	LD8	High Fat	
Mouse 3- high fat	LD9	High Fat	

f.2 – showing the usage of labels Proper labels should be made – not masking tape or scotch tape



Sample Storage

Help us save time from needing to transfer tubes



Tubes

Please use 0.5, 1.5, or 2.0ml microcentrifuge tubes with connecting snap caps

Good Examples:

Eppendorf Flex Tube 1.5ml: 022364111 Eppendorf Safe-Lock 1.5ml: 0030123611 Eppendorf Protein Low-Bind 1.5ml: 022431081 VWR Low-binding 1.5ml: 76332-068

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Don't Use

Please <u>do not use</u> screw cap tubes, PCR tubes, or test tubes of any size.

Please <u>do not use</u> inserts.

This is because our equipment is not compatible with these types of tubes.



Keep your Tube Whole Please <u>do not</u> cut off tube caps.

Please <u>do not</u> punch a hole in the top of your cap.

Caps are more likely to be lost and samples dry out if this is done.

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- How do you ship samples on beads?
 - Ship these samples on wet ice. Do not freeze samples with beads.
- How do you ship protein samples?
 - Frozen on dry ice.
- How do you ship peptide samples?
 - Peptides in liquid should be shipped frozen.
 - Dried peptides may be shipped on ice packs or in an envelope.
- Why are my samples being delayed in processing?
 - There are many potential reasons: machines may be down, we are busy with many samples, or due to unclear sample labeling
 - Did you send an email to a member of the Core? We cannot start work until we hear from you which is why you should email us <u>before</u> submitting any samples.
- You can see the FAQ for more questions regarding sample preparation, estimates, and more.

The Sample Submission Sheet

The sample submission sheet is <u>the last step</u> in submitting samples to the UC Davis proteomics Core facility. There are a few things to note that will greatly help us work on your samples.

- Under payment:
 - The PPMS account and email should match either yourself or your PI. Please specify the financial account that you would like us to charge you to.
- In submission information:
 - Specify the organism that your sample is from.
 - Specify the Uniprot ID for that organism that you want us to use.
 - Specify who you emailed before submitting this sample set.
 - Specify the <u>recipe</u> for the buffer that the sample is <u>currently in</u>.
- For our safety please double check the biohazard rating of whatever you send us and include it in the sheet.

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