Provider Guide



Food Sensitivity+

IgE Food Antibodies #1000

IgG Food Antibodies* #1001

IgG Vegetarian* #1002

IgE Inhalants #1003

IgE Molds #1004

IgG Spices* #1005

Celiac Profile #1018

* Not Available in New York



The following medications may influence the antibody test results: Glucocorticoids, chemotherapy, other immunosuppressive agents, NSAIDS, anticonvulsants, Omalizumab, and Heparin.

BEFORE YOU BEGIN

Ordering **Physicians**

Visit gdx.net/mygdx to order and activate this test using the activation number on the included label card.

STEP 1

Help Patients Plan for Collection

Ship Monday thru Friday and avoid US holidays which may cause delays.

Return specimens within 24 hours after collection.

Review full clinical guidelines at gdx.net/tests/prep.

Prior to Testing

- If testing for food antibodies, it is suggested that the patient eat a variety of foods for 2-3 weeks prior to testing (except for foods that are known to cause severe reactions). Doing so will help to ensure the presence of antibodies to problematic foods. Antibodies to a particular food may be ABSENT if the food was not consumed recently.
- Freeze freezer brick overnight.

STEP 2

Specimen Collection

 Write patient's date of birth (DOB) and the date of collection on the labels provided. Attach a completed label to each of the tube(s) being returned to the lab.



Blood Draw and Processing

- Clean the skin thoroughly with isopropyl alcohol before venipuncture.
- 2. Draw blood.
- Process blood using bench chart. Processing must be completed within 45 minutes of blood collection.
 Specimens must be received at the lab within 48 hours of collection. If necessary, the specimens can be kept in a freezer overnight before shipping.

Bench Chart

TUBES	PROC
Red SST Tiger-top Tube(s) Transfer Tube(s)	Clot for 15 min. while standing Centrifuge 15 min. at 3000 RF Transfer serum to transfer tub DISCARD USED TUBE(S)

The following table lists minimum specimen requirements necessary to provide results.

# profiles	ml Serum	#SST tubes
1	3 ml	1 tube
2	6 ml	2 tubes
3	9 ml	3 tubes
4 or more	12 ml	4 tubes

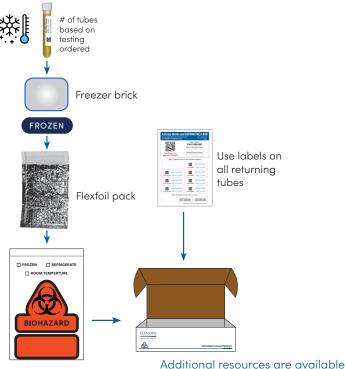
CESS	LABEL AND RETURN
ı in a rack	Place with freezer brick into the flexfoil pack and freeze
PM	immediately in the flexfoil bag.
pe(s)	Return number of tubes according to testing ordered. See chart above.
	FREEZE

STEP 3

Return Collection Pack

- Confirm that the tube has a completed label attached with patient's date of birth and the date of collection. Place the flexfoil and biohazard bag with frozen tube inside the cardboard box.
- Retain a copy of the activation number for future reference using one of the three labels provided on the bottom of the activation label card
- Visit gdx.net/mygdx to enter the date of the final collection and receive the confirmation code. Write the date of collection and confirmation code on the activation label card. Place the activation card inside the box.
- 4. Seal the box inside the FedEx shipping bag, and drop off at an authorized FedEx location.

Learn more about return shipping at www.gdx.net/shipping.





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