

Vitamin D Test Kit - FAQ

The response to our announcement of the new Vitamin D Test Kit with Spot Saver Technology has been enormous. There have also been some questions.

Here are more of the frequently asked ones:



- **Is this a different testing method for Vitamin D testing than liquid serum?**
 - No. VDI uses the same gold-standard chemiluminescence method for both sample types. The difference is in specimen transport – dried vs. liquid. VDI has engineered a method to extract the Vitamin D from the Spot Saver Card and test as usual.
- **Can I still order Vitamin D using liquid serum?**
 - Absolutely! Veterinarians now have a choice:

Vitamin D Testing

Liquid Serum via
Sample Collection Box



24 hour turn-around



Dried Serum via
Spot Saver Card



7 day turn-around

- **Do we still get D3 supplementation recommendations?**
 - Yes. If the dog or cat is found to be insufficient, dosing guidelines are provided.
- **Can I order total calcium using the Spot Saver Card?**
 - Not at this time. (but we are working on it...shhhh 😊)
- **What patient groups are recommended for testing?**
 - With a more affordable format, VDI recommends routine testing as part of a disease prevention program, patients older than 5 years, and those with GI disorders

- **Is there a video showing how to use the kit?**

- There is at www.vdilab.com/collection

- **Can you let the Spot Saver Card dry overnight?**

- Yes. It is vital that the Spot Saver Card be completely dry before mailing. If it is more convenient, it is acceptable to let dry overnight.

- **Are there special collection requirements?**

- No. Patients do not need to be fasted and slight to moderate amounts of hemolysis or lipemia do not affect results.

- **What if the Spot Saver Card gets accidentally damaged?**

- VDI will replace it for a nominal \$5.00 fee.