



FUR ANALYSIS COLLECTION

for use with animal fur only

TIPS & NOTES

Read through all instructions prior to starting. Contact VDI Lab with questions: 805-577-6742

SAMPLE COLLECTION:

- Fur should NOT be cleaned before collection of the sample to avoid artificial results
- 200mg of fur is required. See images to the right for examples
- Better to err on the side of too much versus too little fur to ensure enough for testing
- Fur closest to skin is the most current sample. Aim to collect the first 1.5-2 inches (40-50mm) of fur closest to the skin
- Avoid cutting, scrapping, or damaging the skin when collecting the fur sample
- DO NOT use brushed out fur. Only use freshly cut fur samples

HOW MUCH IS 200mg?



When placed in the baggie, 200mg looks like the picture to the left, with some thickness to it.



Another way to estimate, is to fill a Tablespoon (Tbsp) with fur. Fur should be lightly pressed into the well, until full or overflowing.



For short-coat pets where shaving is required, use the Tbsp method, or shave roughly a 4" x 4" area. It's better to have too much, than too little fur.

Directions For Collection



Collect Fur Sample

Follow instructions below to collect fur sample appropriate for your pet's coat length. Review Tips & Notes section prior to starting collection.



Complete Forms

Fill in all information completely to avoid delays in reporting.

Additionally, write the pet name on the plastic baggie containing the fur sample.



Package and Ship

Once sample is collected and the form is completed, pack both inside the return envelope and apply the mailing label. Retain the tracking information for your records. Mail the envelope.

Medium & Long Coat Animals

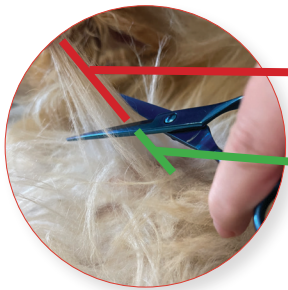
1. Identify area for sampling

Ventral neck is preferred location

If this is a retest, collect from same location as first test

2. Remove far end of fur coat

1. Trim fur back until only 1.5 to 2 inches (40-50mm) remain
2. Discard trimmed fur



Trim and discard far end of fur

Keep 1.5-2in (40-50mm) for sampling

3. Collect fur sample

1. Trim remaining fur close to the skin. Avoid damaging the skin when taking the sample
2. Obtain 200mg of fur (see examples on Tips & Notes flap)
3. Place trimmed fur into a clean paper or plastic baggie and seal shut



Short Coat Animals

1. Identify area for sampling

Ventral neck is preferred location

If this is a retest, collect from same location as first test.

2. Collect fur sample

1. Trim fur close to the skin. Avoid damaging the skin when taking the sample
2. Obtain 200mg of fur (see examples on Tips & Notes flap)
3. Place trimmed fur into a clean paper or plastic baggie and seal shut

