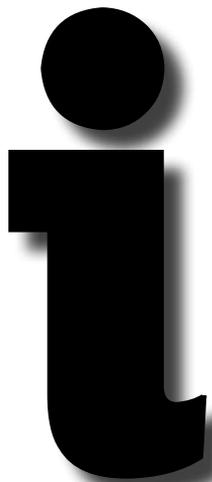


## 24 hour Urine Test



Your doctor has requested a 24 hour urine test.

You have been given a urine collection bottle. **Caution:** The bottle may have a small amount of strong acid preservative in it. If so, **do not throw this away** and take care when adding urine samples to the bottle. **Do not let it come into contact with clothes or skin** as it is very corrosive.

1. On getting up in the morning, go to the toilet as usual to empty your bladder. Write the time and date on the collection bottle - this is the start time.
2. After this, collect in the container all the urine you pass during the day and night for the next 24 hours. You may prefer to stay at home on this day but if you go out, don't forget to take your collection bottle with you.
3. When you get up the next morning, pass urine into the container at exactly the same time as you started the collection. This completes your urine collection. This is the finish time.

Please note, if you do not collect all your urine for exactly 24 hours, the test will not be valid.

Leave the container in a cool place (but not in the fridge). As soon as possible bring it to the Pathology Department (in the main hospital close to the Main and Sarum Entrances). Opening hours are 9am to 5pm Monday to Friday.

Please make sure your full name and date of birth, and the times and dates of collection are on the urine bottle. Please also bring the Request Form with the collected urine.

### When will I know the results of the test?

Your doctor will receive the results within 14 days of the samples being sent to a special laboratory. If you have not already arranged to see the doctor that referred you for this test, you should make an appointment after this time.

### Where can I get more information?

If you have any queries or problems, please contact Dr O'Connell's secretary on 01722 429037 (office hours).

**Department of Laboratory Medicine**  
**01722 336262 ext 4047**

If you need your information in another language or medium (audio, large print, etc) please contact Customer Care on 0800 374 208 or send an email to: [customer care@salisbury.nhs.uk](mailto:customer care@salisbury.nhs.uk)

You are entitled to a copy of any letter we write about you. Please ask if you want one when you come to the hospital.

If you are unhappy with the advice you have been given by your GP, consultant, or another healthcare professional, you may ask for a second (or further) opinion.

The evidence used in the preparation of this leaflet is available on request. Please email: [patient.information@salisbury.nhs.uk](mailto:patient.information@salisbury.nhs.uk) if you would like a reference list.