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DNA Bank sample collection protocol

Project: DNA sample collection in purebred Vizslas with histologically or cytologically confirmed mast cell tumor(s)

1. Start by writing the appropriate information on the top right corner of the consent form. Please sign and date the form (with the date of sample collection).
2. Collect 7-10 mls of blood into EDTA tube(s).
3. Write patient information (first and last name, date of collection) on the EDTA tube, using a sharpie pen.
4. Please keep blood tubes refrigerated at all times following collection. Do not freeze the samples! Samples should be sent back to Cornell the day of collection, using nex day FedEx service (label provided).
5. Insert cold packs in the freezer at least 24 hours prior to shipping samples.
6. Insert frozen cold packs in styrofoam box. Place blood tubes inside of small styrofoam box and make sure box is surrounded by the frozen cold packs.
7. Photocopy mast cell tumor histology or cytology report. Include in the shipment. If only in-house cytology was done, please include a copy of the patient's discharge/summary statement.
8. Please include the signed consent form and a copy of the pedigree in the shipment.

9. Use the FedEx shipping label supplied. Call FedEx and arrange for pickup. Please contact Dr Marta Castelhana or Mrs Liz Corey (dnabank@cornell.edu) to let us know samples are on the way. Please DO NOT sent the samples on Thursdays or Fridays, since we are unable to receive packages during the weekend.

10. Thank you for your help!