

Information for sample shipment

FOR PATIENTS

The inner box of the package contains sample tubes filled with a sterile nutrient solution to stabilize your tissue sample after collection. This is safe to use and should be stored sealed and refrigerated.



Please keep the sample tubes refrigerated at 4 – 8°C (40°F), and take them with the package and paperwork to the hospital or clinic. There are two cooling elements in the box. Please store the two cooling elements according to the season as follows:

Summer season (April – October):

Please store both cooling elements in the freezer at approx. -15°C / 5°F.

Winter season (November – March):

Please store one cooling element in the freezer at approx. -15°C / 5°F and the second one in the refrigerator at approx. 5°C / 40°F.

At your admission for surgery or registration at the practice, please hand over the tubes and the complete package material to hospital staff and inform them about the necessary cooling. Please also refer to the information sheet for sample shipment for clinical staff.

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FOR CLINICAL STAFF

Thank you for supporting your patient to perform pre-therapeutic substance testing on individual tumor organoids by ASC Oncology.

1 SAMPLE PREPARATION

Please transfer **a fresh tumor sample** (tissue fragment or biopsy needles) under sterile conditions into the provided media-filled tubes. The tissue should be fully immersed in the media solution.

IMPORTANT!

The tumor sample should reach us within 24 – 72h after collection. It should be kept cooled, **NOT being frozen and NOT being fixed** in formalin.

2 SAMPLE COOLING

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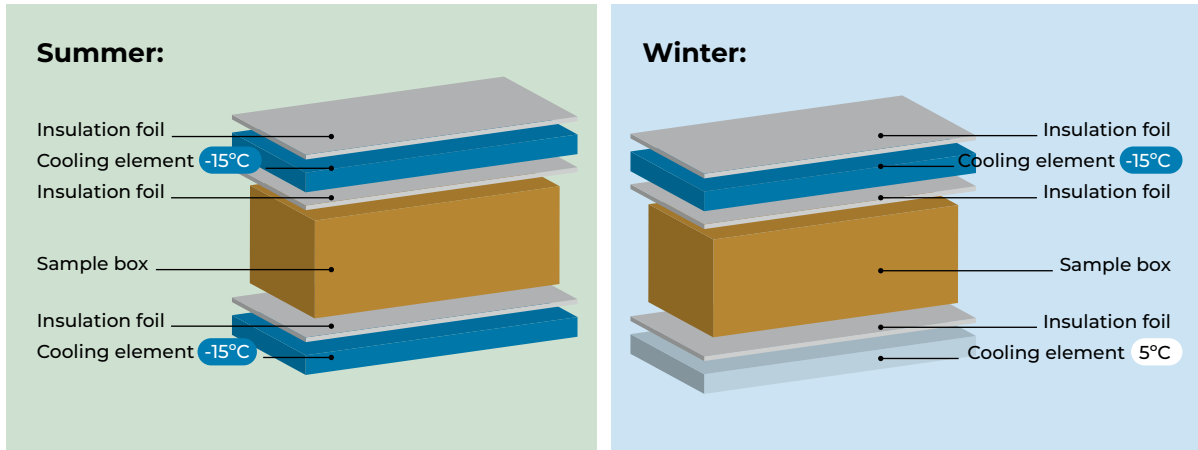
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3 PREPARATION FOR SHIPMENT

(a) Please put the sample tubes with their overpack in the brown sample box. **(b)** Put one cooling element in the shipping box, and **(c)** put the brown sample box between two silver insulation foils on top. Put the second cooling element on top and finish with a silver insulation foil. Provide all documents on top and seal the shipping box.



4 SAMPLE SHIPPING

Please use the supplied **return shipping label** and dial the following number as soon as the tissue sample is ready for pick-up: **+49 30 235 9467 66**. You can then specify the pick-up address and time. The courier usually arrives within 2 hours. We will receive the invoice.