

## **Stool sample collection**

Instruction

## Your kit contains:



1 protective bag with absorbent pad



1 small sample tube & 1 big transport tube



1 stool collection unit



1 sample dispatch note



1 grey envelope

## **General information:**

- ① Collect and send the samples off on Mondays only!
- Hand the sample to the parcel machine as soon as possible, but no later than within 24 hours.
- The sample can be stored in the refrigerator overnight. Do not freeze!
- Incorrectly taken samples cannot be analyzed. For a new delivery of the test kit, we will charge you for new material and shipping costs.
- For gluten intolerance (transglutaminase) test only: Do not go on a gluten-free or gluten-restricted diet 2 weeks before the sample collection.



Avoid medication that softens the stool. This includes medication against heartburn, such as antacids and acid-binding products.

After taking antibiotics or probiotics, wait at least 2 weeks before doing the test to ensure correct results.



Use the stool collection unit to avoid the stool being contaminated by toilet water. Empty your bladder before the sample collection to prevent mixing of urine and stool.



→ Take the spoon (attached below the lid) to stir the stool. Take samples from at least three different places.



Fill at least ¾ of the small sample tube with stool. Close the tube and clean it externally, if necessary. Label it with your name and the sample collection date.



Insert the small sample tube into the larger transport tube and put them in the protective bag with absorbent pad.



Fill out all the information on the sample dispatch note. Don't forget to sign it!



Put the bag in the gray return envelope together with the sample dispatch note and send it to our laboratory.

Your kit contains **prepaid Itella return label** and **door code**. Just attach the label on the envelope and send it via nearest Itella parcel machine. The door code is valid for sending from all Itella **BLUE** parcel machines.

