

Collecting a urine sample for C-Peptide/Creatinine ratio

This test is to check whether or not your body is naturally producing any insulin. Collect this sample any day Monday to Friday after breakfast or lunch.

Instructions

1. Take your insulin as you would normally (unless advised otherwise).
2. Empty your bladder into the toilet.
3. Eat your breakfast or lunch.
4. After this meal, do not eat or drink anything apart from water, until you have taken the urine sample. However, if you feel your blood sugar is low, you will need to treat this and do the test another day.
5. Approximately 2 hours after this meal, empty your bladder again and collect a sample of this urine as detailed below.
6. Do not take this sample while you are menstruating.

To collect your urine sample:

1. Pass your urine into the plastic pot and transfer to the white top specimen tube.
2. Write your full name, date of birth, hospital or NHS number and the time and date of collection on the tube.
3. Place the specimen tube and request form into the bag provided.

After you have collected your urine sample:

Please take the sample either to the Royal Berkshire Hospital Pathology Department (South Block level 2) or to your GP surgery, **as soon as it has been collected.**

If you need to contact us

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