

## SER: Preservation of Liquid Blood

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**Principle** Liquid blood samples are preserved as dried stains on bloodstain cards.

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**Equipment and supplies** This procedure uses the following laboratory equipment and supplies:

- Whatman® FTA bloodstain cards
- disposable pipettes
- manila envelopes

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**Procedure** Use the following procedure to preserve liquid blood samples.

Step	Action
1	Transfer the liquid blood to a bloodstain card.  NOTE: The blood card is labeled with the appropriate information including the laboratory case number and item number.
2	When the blood is completely dry, place in a manila envelope, seal envelope, and return to kit.

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