GenOMICC (Genetics Of Mortality In Critical Care) Study

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**The GenOMICC Study: Patient Sampling Instructions**

**For the attention of the healthcare professional undertaking the patient sampling**

Thank you for agreeing to take this blood sample for the GenOMICC study. The patient has brought their sampling kit and these instructions to you so that they may participate in the GenOMICC study by contributing a small blood sample.

We have supplied a **4ml EDTA vacutainer tube** for collection of the blood sample within this kit. The tube has already been labelled with a patient identifiable barcode.

**After the sample has been taken**

* Please write the sample date on the tube
* Please do not add any patient identifiable information onto the EDTA tube – the barcode has already been recorded for this patient

**Packaging the samples**

* Place the sample tube into the clear zipped bag with the absorbent material, inside the specimen box
* Close the box and seal with the security sticker (supplied)
* The specimen box is now ready to be posted through any royal mail outlet/post-box. The patient may wish to do this themselves
* The UN337 approved packaging adheres to regulations for sending pathological samples by post
* **There is no need to return the participant consent form in this specimen kit.**

Please dispose of the needle safely in an appropriate clinical waste sharps bin.

**Thank you for your help in supporting the GenOMICC study.**

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