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***Trichomonas foetus* Sample Submission Protocol For InPouch™ TF Test
From Cattle**

1. Store pouches horizontally at **room temperature** (60° - 98°F) in a dark area until ready to use. Check expiration date on InPouch before use.
2. Refer to pouch instructions for sample collection information and precautions. There are various recognized techniques used in sample collection for *Trichomonas foetus*. An instructional video produced by Biomed Diagnostics, Inc. is available for viewing. To borrow a copy of this video, please contact the Rocky Mountain Regional Animal Health Laboratory at (303) 477-0049
3. Before taking a sample from a bull, Biomed's package insert recommends rinsing the prepuce orifice with a saline solution to reduce *Trichomonas species* (non-*T. foetus*) contamination from manure.
4. Deposit approximately 0.5-1.0 cc of the sample into the pouch's upper chamber. Express the contents of the upper pouch chamber into the lower chamber. Roll or fold the pouch down several times to the top of the label. Fold the wire tape's end tabs to lock the roll.
5. Label pouches and maintain at **room temperature. Do Not Refrigerate.**
6. Complete the sample submission form. Please include the date and time of collection.
7. Samples should be shipped in an insulated container to maintain **room temperature**. Samples in InPouch™ TF must be received within 48 hours of collection to be valid according to Colorado Rule 8 CCR 1201-1.

Note: Samples in Ringers solution must be hand carried to the lab within 24 hrs. of collection to be valid according to Rule 8 CCR 1201-1.