

**RAPIDVET-H CROSSMATCH
DIRECTIONS FOR USING LESS WHOLE BLOOD**

When using any size EDTA tube, the appropriate amount of whole blood must be drawn so that the blood/EDTA ratio is consistent. Failure to fill the EDTA tube may result in inaccurate results.

The package insert calls for 0.5 ml (10 drops) whole blood to be added to 4.5 mls of Blood Bank Saline (pH 7.4) in the large blue-top tube provided in the kit.

To use half the amount of whole blood, pipette 2.25 mls of BBS into an unused test tube and add 0.25 ml (250 ul, 5 drops) of whole blood. Please note that the markings on the blue-top tube are not necessarily accurate; you need to remove the desired volume by pipette.

To use even less blood, pipette 0.90 ml of BBS into a test tube and add 0.01 ml (100 ul, 2 drops) of donor blood.

The rest of the package insert should be followed as written.