



Instruction for sheep blood collection

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Make a small cut about ½ cm into the bottom edge or tip of the ear of the sheep using electrical side-cutters.



Clean the side-cutters in a large amount of water if they are contaminated with blood from previous animals.

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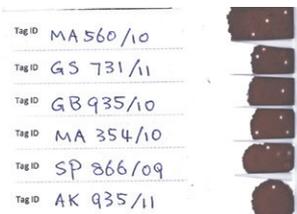
Collect blood from the cut onto the strips on the collection cards. **Ensure blood soaks through.**



One card has SIX collection strips and each strip is for one sample.

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Label the each strip clearly with a unique ID (e.g. a brass tag number and year) for each blood spot. **WRITE YOUR NAME ON EACH CARD.**



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Blood samples are air-dried and then can be easily posted (together with a current New Zealand Ministry for Primary Industries import permit if from overseas) to the following address:



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