Water Sample Collection Guide

Accurate, repeated testing and removal of infected plants is critical for maintaining consistent yields. This document details the steps to collect water samples for testing at TUMI Genomics Laboratories. These instructions are specific to the Water Test.

1 Prepare Materials

Provided Materials





Extra barcode stickers

User Supplied Materials







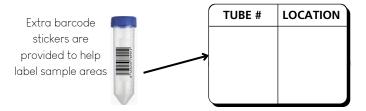
Disposable gloves

10% Bleach

Lab spatulas or spoons

$oldsymbol{2}$ Identify Testing Locations

Select locations within the facility to gather water samples. Before collecting samples, document which tube number corresponds to which location.



Recommended areas for testing include:

- The initial water source (city water, well water etc) prior to purification
- The water directly after sterilization/purification
- Water in main holding tanks. Be sure to gather water from the bottom of the tank, where fungal spores are likely to settle.
- Areas with joints or turns in the irrigation lines, especially in pipes that lead to rooms with symptoms of fungal infection.
- Run-off water on drain tables that may touch roots of neighboring plants
- Any suspicious areas where you see evidence of fungal growth in the water system or pipes.

3 Sterilize Tools Before Use

Soak the spatulas and/or spoons in the 10% bleach solution for 5 minutes and then do a quick dip into a container with distilled water.



4 Collect Samples

Open the 50mL tube and set the lid face up on a clear surface.

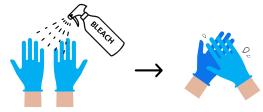
Fill the tube 2/3 full with water. **DO NOT fill the tube** to the top.

If you see fungal-like growth from source, use a clean tool to dislodge some of the growth and include that material in the sample tube.

Secure the lid tightly back on the sample tube.

5 Sterilize Between Samples

Before collecting the next sample, wash your hands, change your gloves, or bleach gloves.



If using a tool to collect fungal-like growth, sterilize the tool in 10% bleach for 5 minutes and then rinse it in distilled water before reusing it.

6 Returning Samples

When all the samples have been collected, ensure the lids are tight and place each sample in its own sealed, ziplock bag.

If possible, ship the tubes in a cardboard box versus an envelope to avoid breakage during shipping. Ship samples to:

TUMI Genomics 320 East Vine Drive Suite 129 Fort Collins, CO 80524



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International Clients



USDA Permit Packet

This packet must be printed and packed into your return shipment to the TUMI Genomics lab.



Shipping Guide

This video details how to pack and ship your samples to return to the TUMI Genomics lab.

