

BLOOD DID NOT COMPLETELY FILL SPECIMEN CIRCLES

The specimen below displays an insufficient amount of blood or areas of blood too small to punch with automated equipment.

Often this unsatisfactory quality is seen in conjunction with other unsatisfactory qualities – caked, clotted and layered and/or incomplete saturation.



The specimen below is an example of an acceptable specimen with three good quality spots. Five complete spots are requested and may be required in some cases. **However, three good quality spots are better than 5 poor quality spots.**

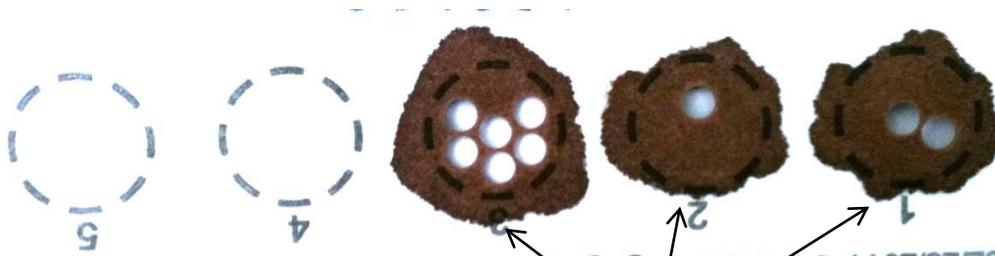


Illustration of minimum laboratory sampling required to initiate testing.