



Diagnosis of Pregnancy – instructions for sampling

- Use the bovine or bovine – herd request forms that are available on our website:
<https://en.biovet-inc.com/animal-health/livestock-animals>
- Sampling should be done no earlier than 28 days after mating (or insemination) AND at least 50 days after previous farrowing (or late abortion).
- **Blood sampling**
 - Draw at least 2 mL of blood per animal (lavender EDTA tube or red serum).
 - If samples are collected from more than one animal, remember to change the needle between animals.
 - Allow samples to rest for at least 1/2 hour at room temperature to favour the coagulation process.
 - It is not essential to separate the serum from the clot.
- **Milk collection**
 - At least 2 mL of milk collected cleanly (aseptic is not required), directly from a quarter, in a regular dry tube (e.g. milk bacteriology tubes) or with a preservative (Bronopol). Keep cool (in refrigerator).
- Identify each tube with the animal's name/number with an indelible marker.
- Then store the samples, preferably in a cool place (refrigerator).
- Send samples to the laboratory within a reasonable time frame (48 hours).
- Carefully complete the request form (one form can be used for multiple animals).
- Place the tube(s) and the form(s) in the plastic bag provided.
- Send everything to Biovet.
- Samples will be analyzed within 2 business days (or less) after receipt of samples.
- Refer to the veterinarian for interpretation of the results.

Results will only be reported to the veterinarian.