

SWOG Biospecimen Banks (Lab#200 and Lab#201) HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

The SWOG Biospecimen Banks (Lab #200 and Lab #201) will be closed on Friday, December 24, 2021 and Friday, December 31, 2021, but open for limited time-sensitive samples.

Ambient Specimens:

Whole blood, bone marrow, and urine collected on Thursday, December 23, or Thursday, December 30, may be shipped on Thursday for receipt on Friday.

- When shipping ambient specimens on December 23 or December 30, only use the FedEx Priority Overnight courier service (packages are delivered directly to the Biospecimen Bank, not the dock). The hospital dock will be closed on December 24 and December 31, therefore **any other carrier (e.g., UPS) or shipment method (e.g., Standard Overnight) will not be delivered.**

Frozen Specimens:

During both holiday weeks, only ship frozen specimens on Monday or Tuesday.

Formalin Fixed and Paraffin Embedded Specimens:

Specimens that do not need to be sent via overnight courier service (e.g., slides or paraffin blocks) should be held and shipped after the holidays.

Batch Shipments:

Do not ship large batch shipments after December 15. Hold batch shipments and send on or after January 3, 2022.

Myeloma Specimens:

Before shipping myeloma samples, please email MGLab@nationwidechildrens.org and provide the tracking number.

Contacts for Questions:

For questions regarding the shipment of **solid tumor specimens**, please contact Lab #201 at 800-347-2486 or bpcbank@nationwidechildrens.org.

For questions regarding the shipment of **leukemia specimens**, please contact Lab #200 at 614-722-3270 or MGLab@nationwidechildrens.org.