Guidelines For Freezing PAXgene™ Blood DNA Tubes Containing Blood Samples:

- To freeze PAXgene™ Blood DNA Tubes, stand them upright in a wire rack.
 Do not freeze tubes upright in a styrofoam tray as this may cause the tubes to crack.
- If tubes are to be stored for no longer than 10 weeks, freeze the tubes in the wire rack at -20°C. For longer storage periods, freeze the tubes first at -20°C for 24 hours, then transfer them to -70°C or -80°C.
- To thaw PAXgene™ Blood DNA Tubes, place them in a wire rack in a water bath at 37°C for 15 minutes. After thawing, carefully invert the tubes 10 times. Store the tubes on ice until you are ready to begin the PAXgene DNA purification procedure.

Note: Frozen PAXgene[™] Blood DNA Tubes are subject to breakage upon impact. To reduce the risk of breakage during shipment, frozen tubes should be treated in the same manner as glass tubes. Users must validate their own freezing and shipping protocol for PAXgene[™] Blood DNA Tubes.

For further information on PAXgene™ Blood DNA Tubes, visit www.PreAnalytiX.com.

The PAXgene™ Blood DNA System is for research use only and not for use in diagnostic procedures.

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