

3.0 Standard Procedure for Collection of Samples

3.1 Persons present (besides donors)

1. Thai medical officer or person taking the blood samples.
2. A representative of Canada (from Embassy or other persons from Canada).
3. A representative of the U.S. (Dr. Townsend?)
4. A representative of France (optional).
5. An interpreter (if needed) for refugees.

3.2 Method of collection

1. Blood is to be collected in heparinized "vacutainers" (300 tubes are already at the CDN Embassy in Bangkok).
2. Urine is to be collected in leak-proof containers, which have been prepared with a suitable agent to ensure that biodegradation doesn't take place.
3. From each donor, some basic information has to be obtained, using a standard form (for Group I to VI, or the special form (for Group VII). (See appended samples which have to be printed in advance.)
4. Samples are to be identified by consecutive numbers, corresponding to the list of name, sex, age, general health status, and time and location of sampling, using water-proof marker.
5. Samples are to be placed into temporary refrigeration (ice box, etc.) for transport to Bangkok, then kept in refrigeration until shipment. A suitable place (large refrigerator) should be designated and arranged for in advance.
6. Five spiked (control) samples containing 100 and 200 ppb of T-2 toxin or any other suitable trichothecene, and 5 non-spiked control samples will be added prior to shipment.