Clinic guide to ordering Tempus tests

Your comprehensive guide to understanding our molecular test offerings, interpreting our test names, and streamlining the ordering process.

TEST NAME	TURNAROUND TIME	CLINIC SPECIMEN NEEDED	SPECIMEN COLLECTION KIT(S)
T is for Tissue	~9 days after specimen receipt	Blood or Saliva Tempus requests a tissue sample from Pathology separately	or or
xR RNA seq R is for RNA	~9 days after specimen receipt	None from clinic Tempus requests a tissue sample from Pathology separately	N/A
xF/xF+ liquid biopsy F is for Fluid	~7-9 days after specimen receipt	Blood	
xT and/or xR for hematologic malignancies	~10-21 days after specimen receipt, and when xT and xR are ordered in combination	Blood or Bone Marrow Aspirate The Tempus kit for hematologic malignancies is orange.	
xG/xG+ +RNAinsight® hereditary testing Powered by Ambry Genetics® G is for Germline	14-21 days after specimen receipt	Blood or Saliva Draw the EDTA blood tube first, then if ordering +RNAinsight, draw the PAXgene® blood tube last	Tempus offers three hereditary kits. Each gold kit displays the specimen type: DNA (blood), DNA (saliva), or DNA + RNA (blood).
M is for MRD		Blood The Tempus kit for MRD blood collection is salmon colored and has the xM badge on the front, sides, and top.	
xM NeXT Personal® Dx for solid tumors Test by Personalis M is for MRD & IO Monitoring		Blood Tempus requests a tissue sample from Pathology separately	in the second se

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