

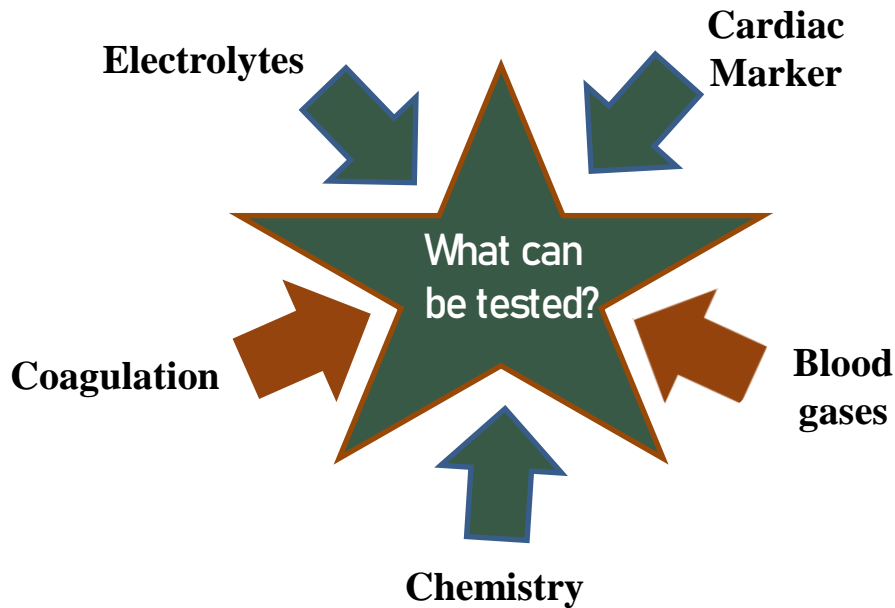
# **i-STAT Alinity Training**

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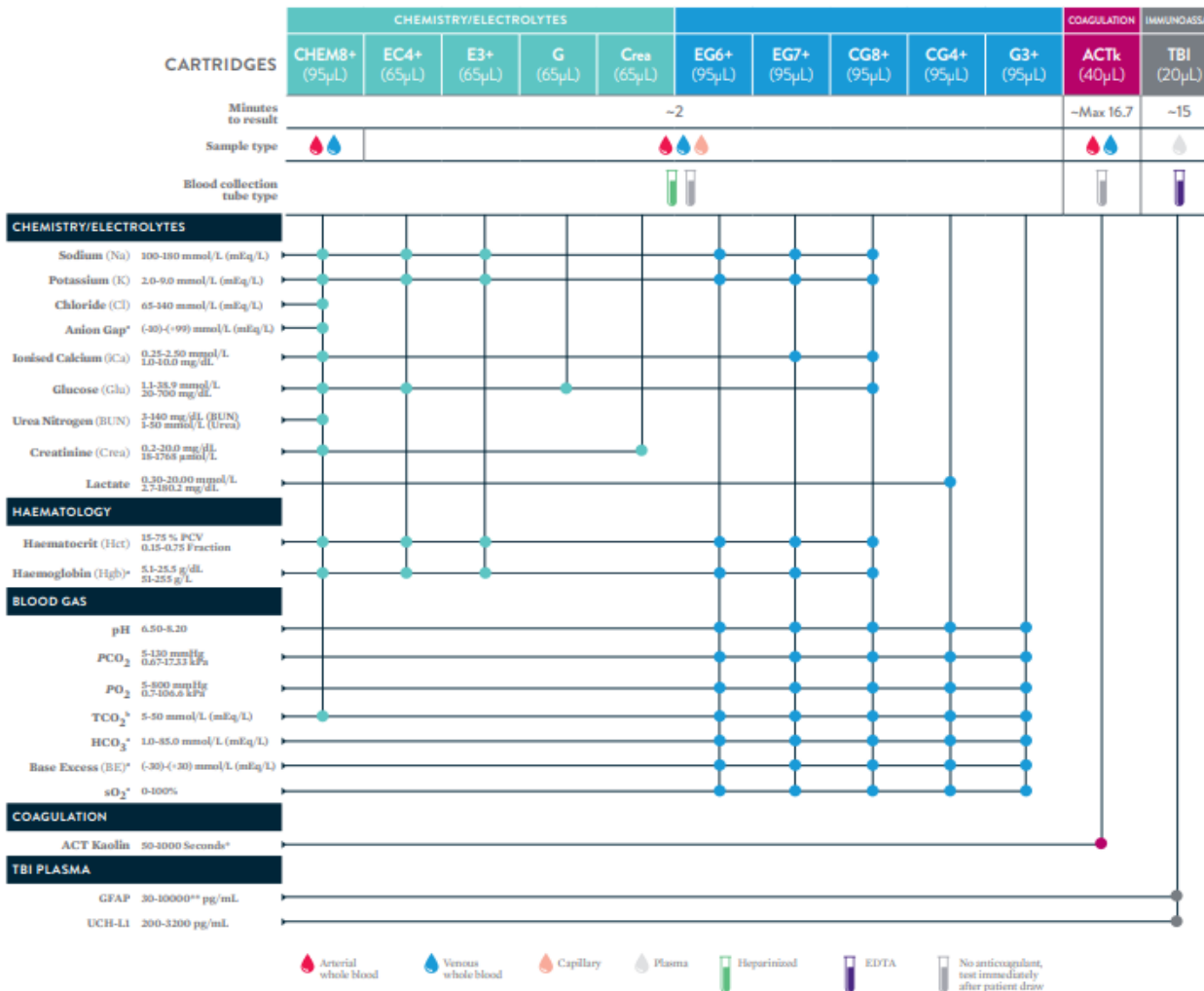
# What is i-STAT?

The i-STAT System is an advanced handheld diagnostic tool that provides real-time, lab-accurate results at the patient's bedside within minutes.



# i-STAT Alinity Cartridge Menu

## Extensive cartridge menu for many different clinical settings



The portable, handheld *i-STAT Alinity* offers the power and versatility to meet a range of testing needs.

\*The range from 77 - 1000 seconds (PREWRM mode) has been verified through method comparison studies.

\*\* Under a rare set of circumstances, the GFAP assay quantitative result may be reported as ">5574". When this result is shown, the GFAP assay range has been automatically truncated due to detection of signal response variability that could lead to an underestimate of the reported value. In these cases, another cartridge may be run to obtain a quantitative result.

<sup>b</sup>Calculated. <sup>c</sup>TCO<sub>2</sub> is measured on the CHEM8+ cartridge and calculated on all others.

### INTENDED USE

For intended use and complete product information, visit [globalpointofcare.abbott](http://globalpointofcare.abbott).

# i-STAT Alinity Advanced Features

- Optic sensors
- High-resolution Camera
- Large High-resolution, Color Touchscreen
- Rechargeable battery



# System Components

**1** i-STAT Alinity Instrument



**2** Rechargeable Battery



**3** Cartridges



**4** Electronic Simulator



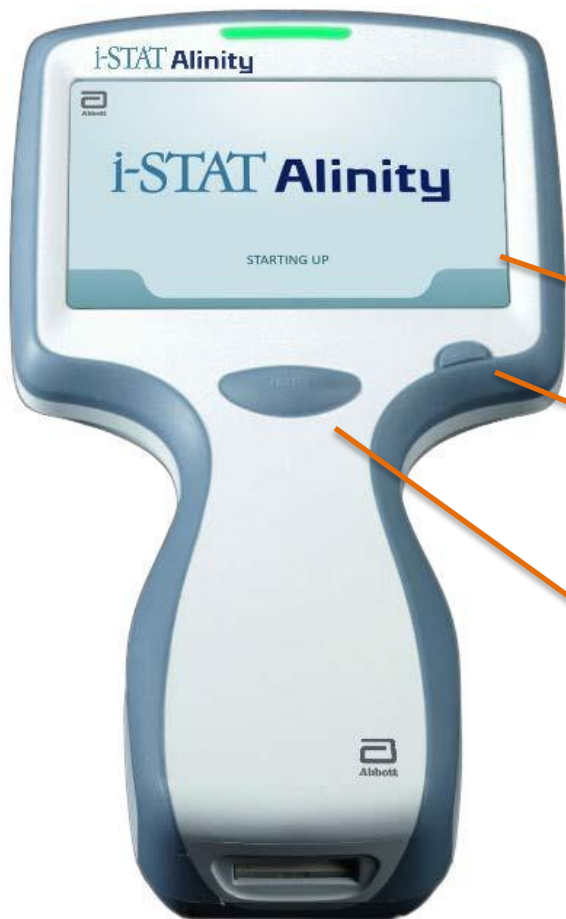
**5** Base Station



**6** Portable Printer



# Anatomy Of The Instrument



## Hand Held Analyzer

- Store 500 results
- Operating temperature 16 - 30 °C

Display Screen

Power Button

Barcode Capture Button



**LED Light Indicator** ★

**Green** : Instrument is starting up or test results are complete.

White : Cartridge is processing.

**Red** : Requires immediate attention.

**Blue** : Battery is charging.

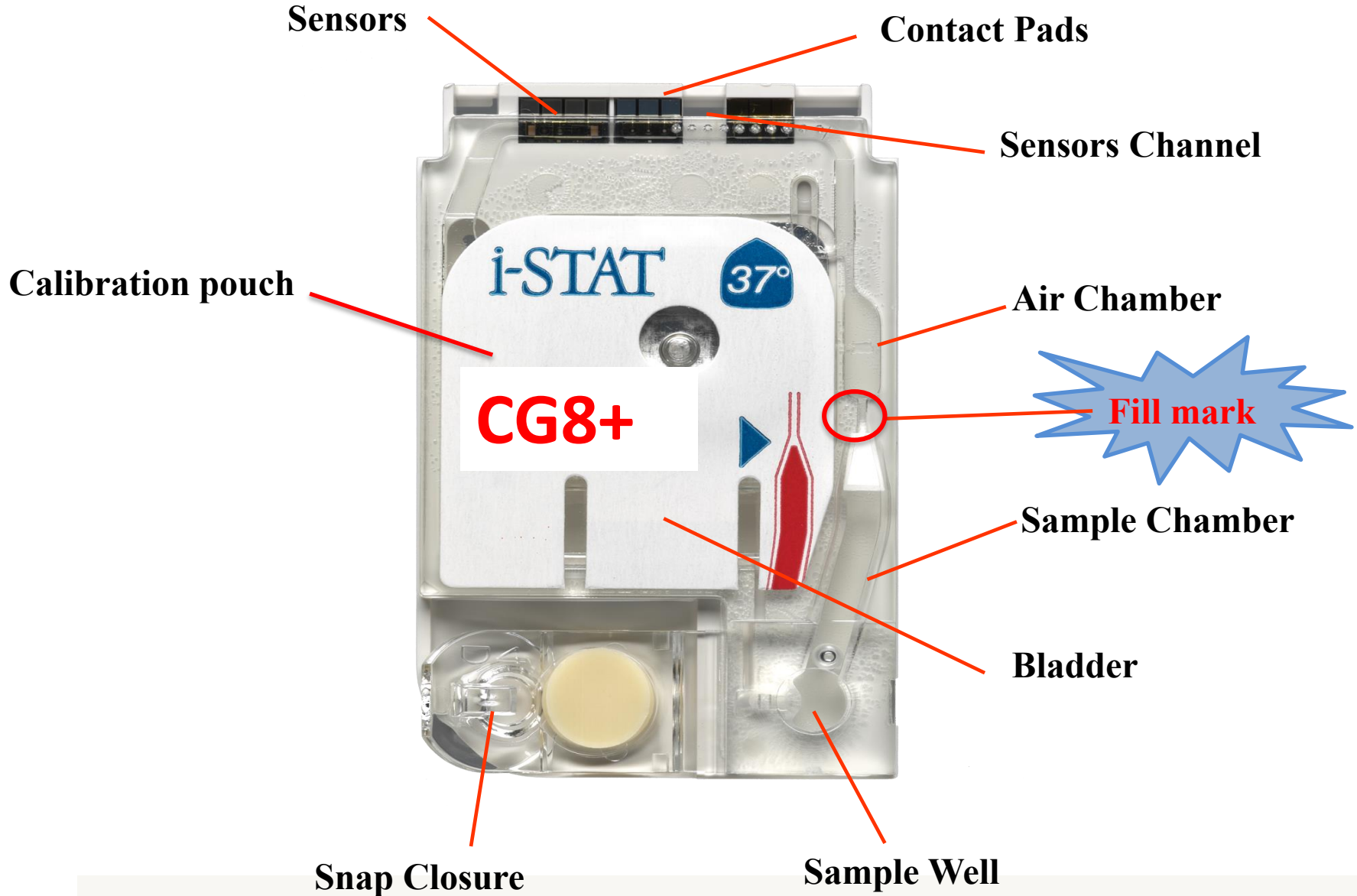
Cartridge port



**Rechargeable Battery**

**Camera and IR port**

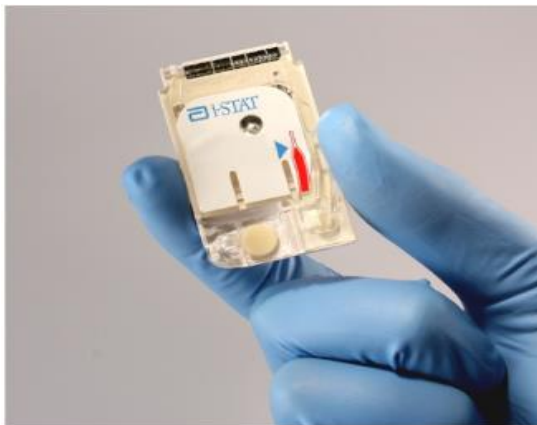
# Cartridge anatomy



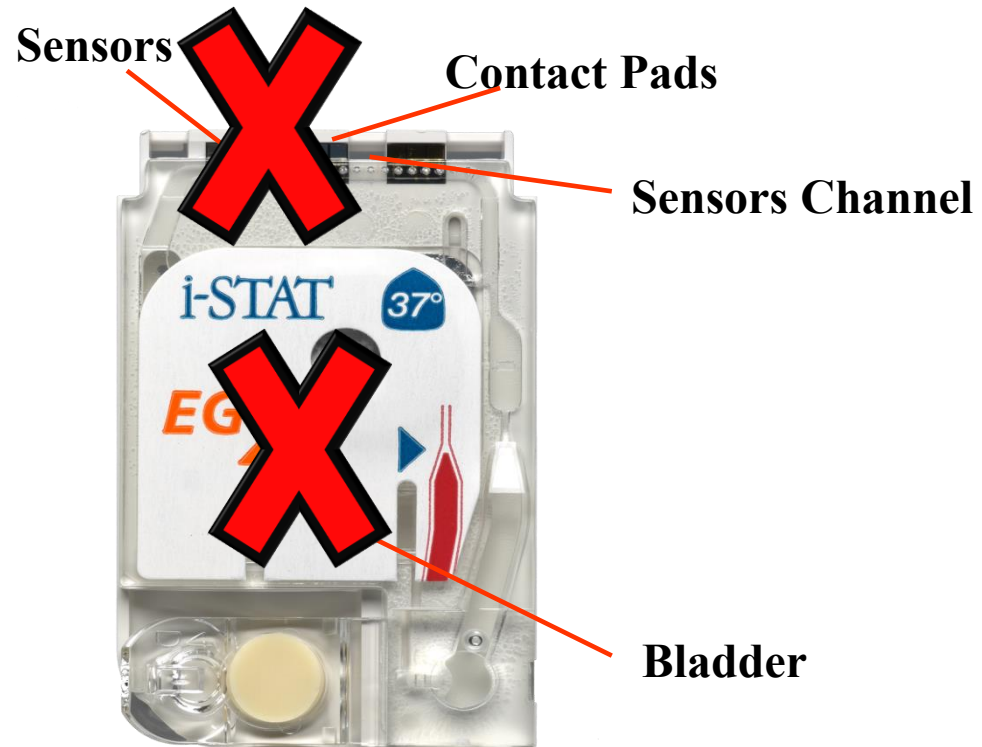
# Cartridge handling



Step 1: Carefully tear open the cartridge pouch



Step 2: Hold the cartridge by the sides at all times



**IMPORTANT: Do not touch the sensors or apply pressure to the center of the cartridge**

## 2.3 Cartridge Storage

2-8°C



18-30°C




### Refrigerated storage

- ★ Until expiry date stated on the box

### Room temperature storage

- ★ 14d = 14 days
- ★ 2m = 2 months

## Preparation of cartridge

- Pouched cartridge must be equilibrated at room temperature for **5 minutes** before use.
- Box of cartridges must be equilibrated at room temperature for **1 hour before** use.
- ✗ Cartridge must not be returned to the refrigerator once has been taken out !! 



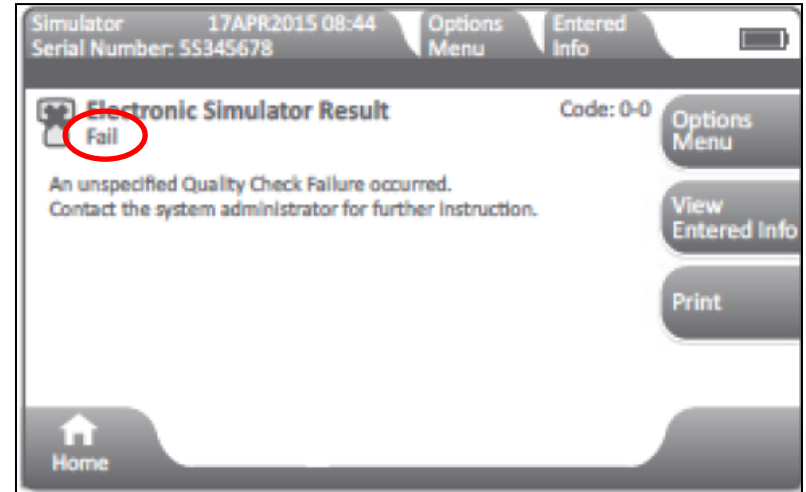
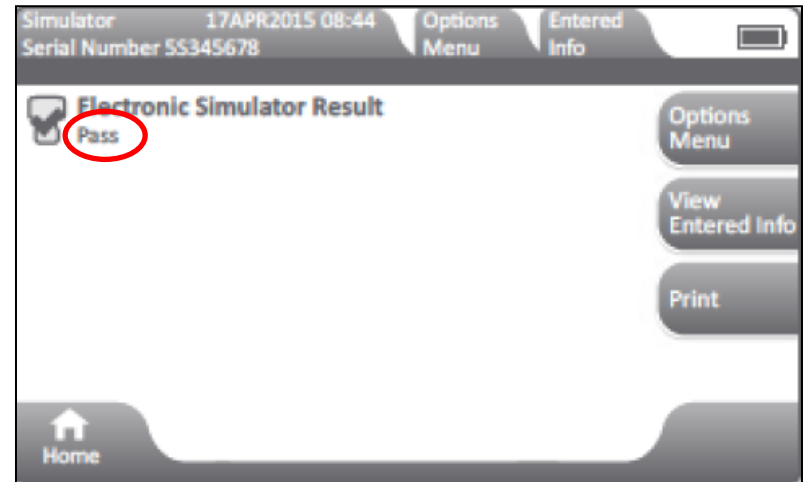
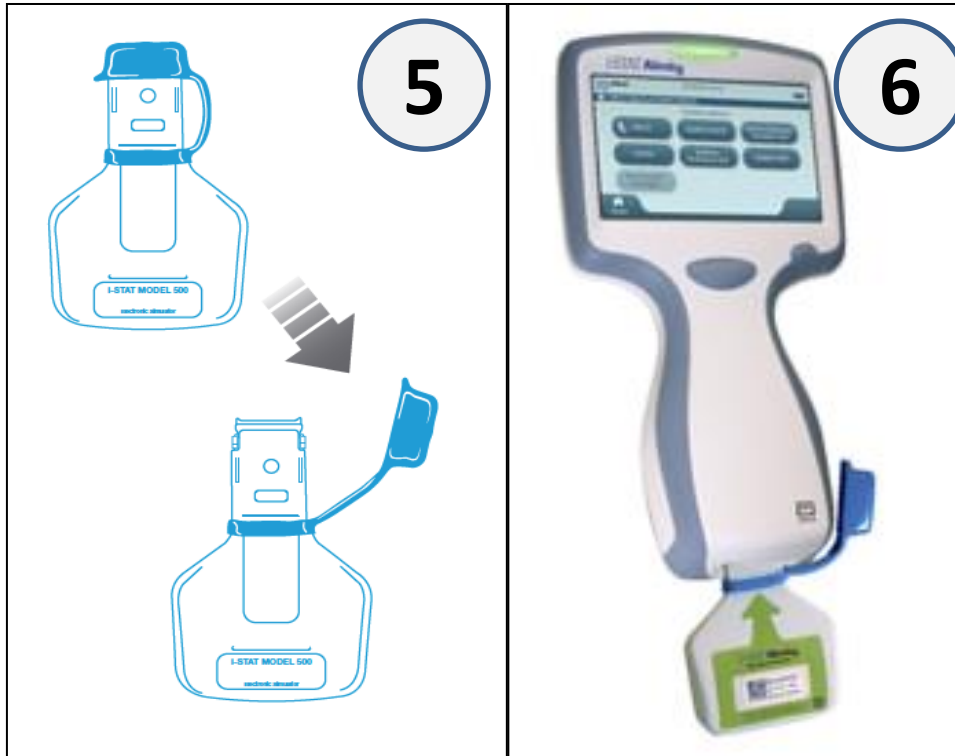
# Perform an Electronic Simulator Test

**1** Home screen showing 'Perform Patient Test' and 'More Options' buttons.

**2** 'More Options' menu with 'Quality Options' highlighted by a purple hand.

**3** 'Quality Options' menu with 'Perform Electronic Simulator Test' highlighted by a purple hand.

**4** 'Quality Control Test' screen with 'Scan or Enter OPERATOR ID' field and 'Next' button.



- ❑ Use care when handling the Electronic Simulator. Avoid touching the sensor area. Replace cap after use.

# Base Station



- charge the rechargeable battery while it is attached to the i-STAT Alinity instrument.
- used for wired connectivity to transmit data to the data manager.

# Data Transmission

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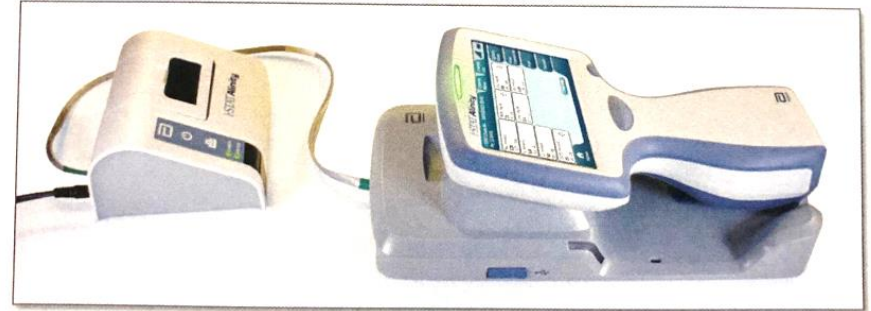
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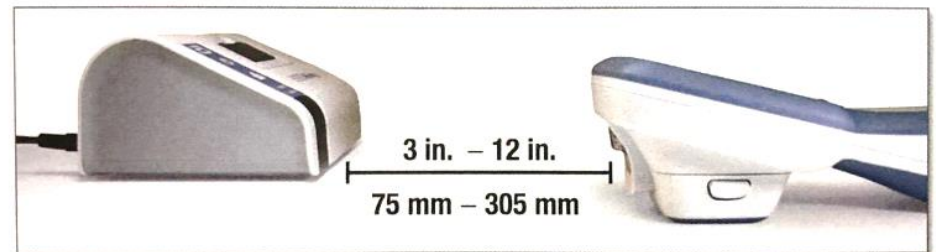


Wired to Base Station



- Prints information about patient and quality control tests.
- Print out the results through wireless and wired method.

Wireless



# i-STAT testing procedure

Three components to enter before proceeding with a test:

1. Operator ID
2. Patient's ID
3. Cartridge barcode



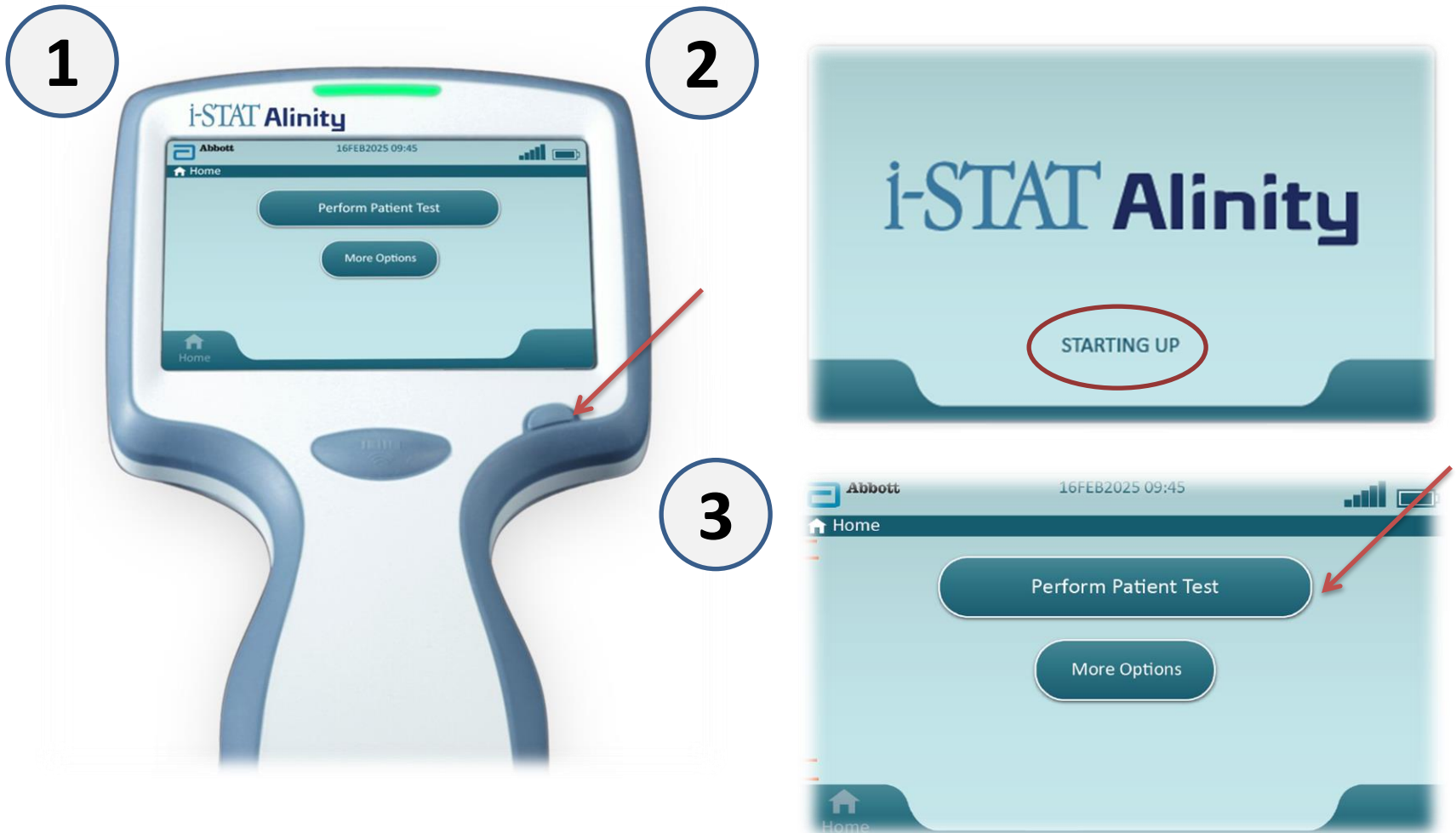
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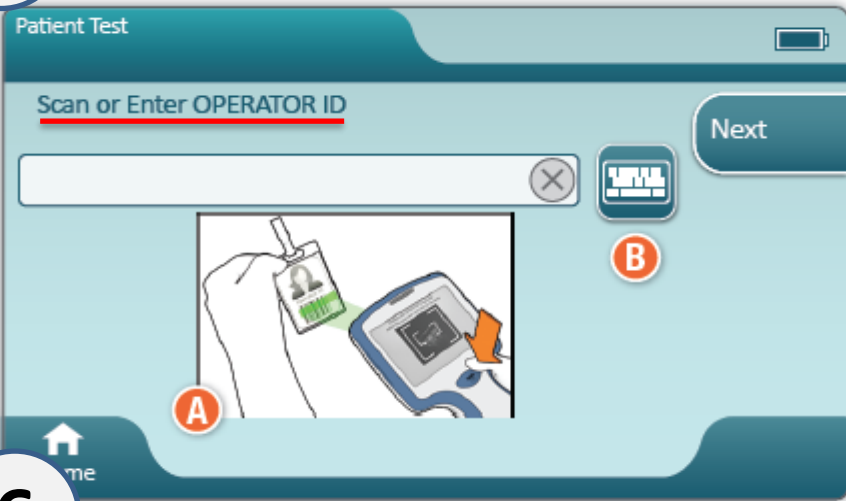


# How to perform Patient Testing ?



**\***, the information is mandatory.

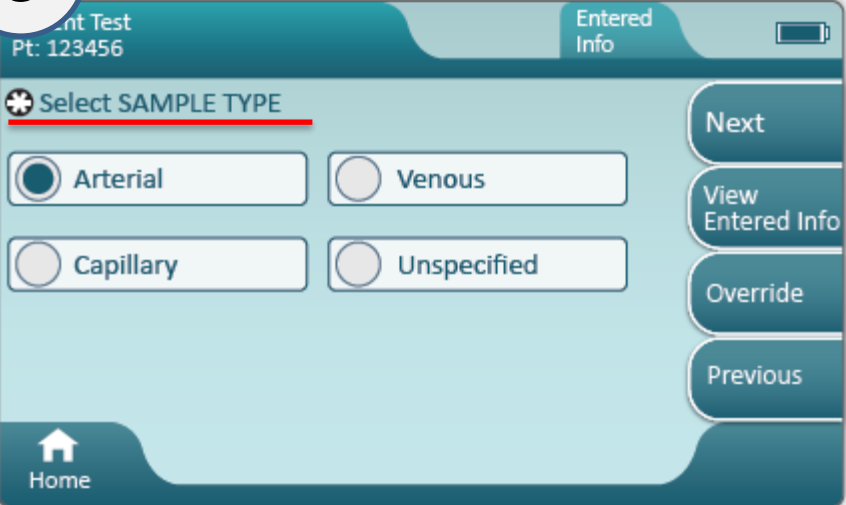
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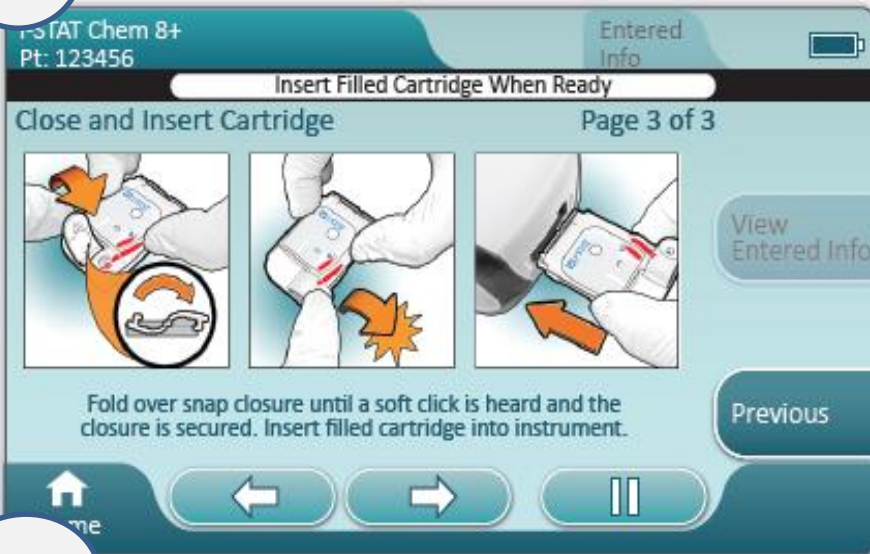
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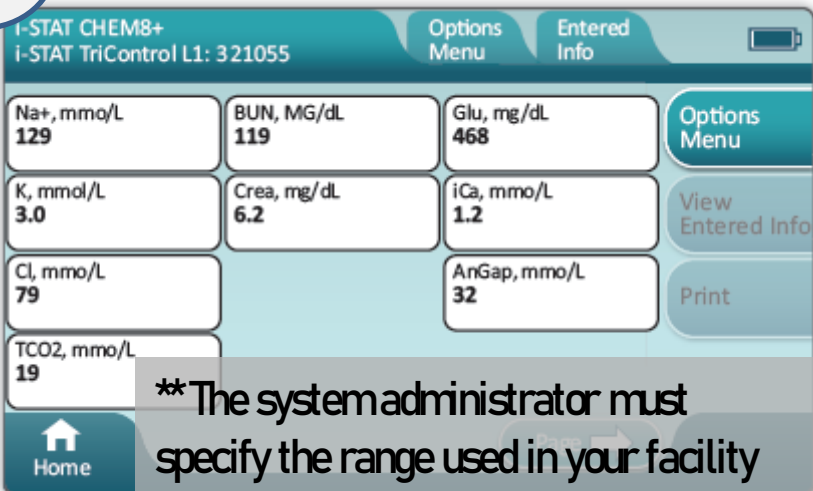
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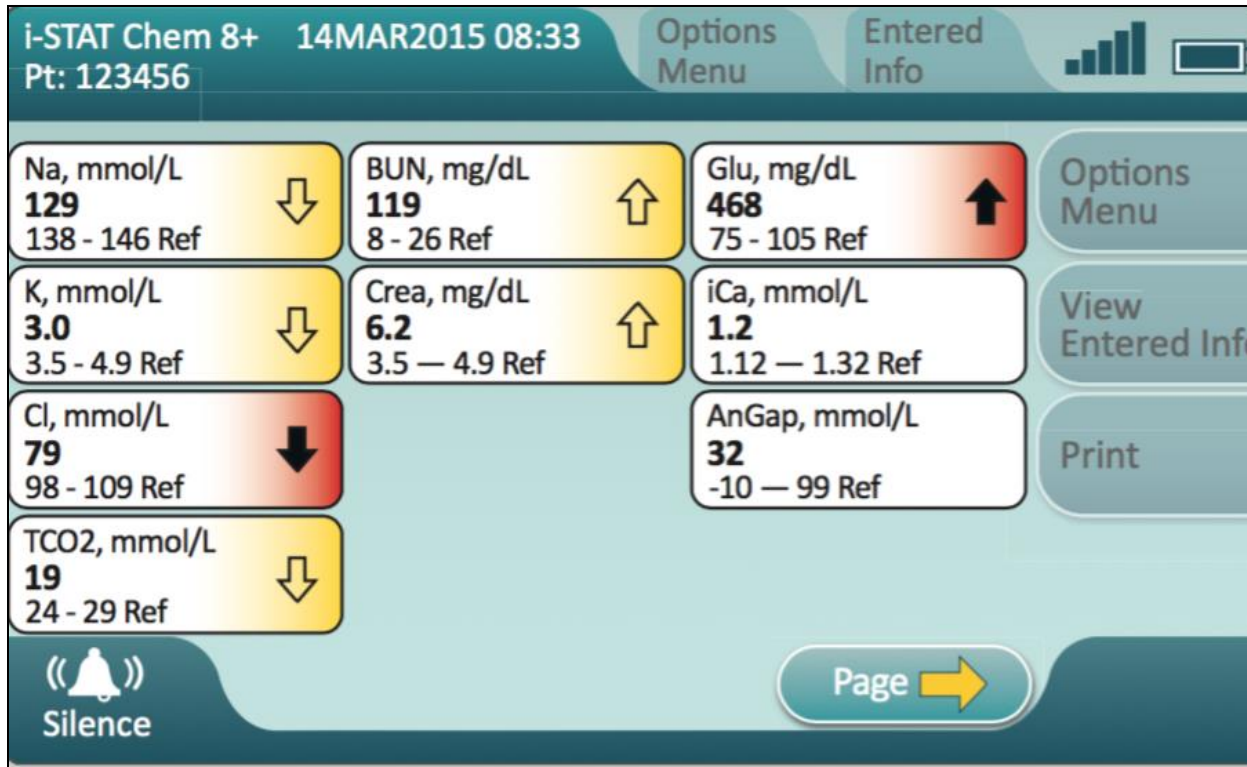
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\*\*The system administrator must specify the range used in your facility

An audible cue will be heard when results are ready. Touch Silence or remove cartridge to silence the audio.

# Interpreting test results



iCa, mmol/L  
1.2  
1.12 — 1.32 Ref

White - Result is in the reference range



One of more results on the next page is normal/abnormal/Critical range

Na, mmol/L  
129  
138 - 146 Ref

Yellow - Result is outside of the reference range, abnormal result.



BUN, mg/dL  
119  
8 - 26 Ref

Cl, mmol/L  
79  
98 - 109 Ref

Red - Result is in the action (critical) range



Glu, mg/dL  
468  
75 - 105 Ref

# Suppressed results

Na, mmol/L  
\*\*\*

## Starred out Results (\*\*\*)

- Indicates that a sensor on the cartridge is unable to report a result
- The other results are still reportable.

## Causes

- Cartridge not handled properly by user.
- Sample contain interfering substance.
- Wrong sample used

Na, mmol/L  
>180

## Out of Range (<) or (>)

This occur when results are outside the system's measurement ranges.

AnGap, mmol/L  
<>

## Null Set

The < > flag indicates that the results for this test were dependent on the result of a test flagged as either > or <.



# Acceptable Sample Types

## Acceptable Sample Types - **Whole Blood**

- Sodium **Heparin**
- Lithium **Heparin**
- Balanced **Heparin**

- ❖ Mix sample immediately before removing a sample for testing.
- ❖ Filled to the manufacturer labelled capacity



\*\*\*Plain syringe is recommended if the test can be done immediately\*\*\*




# On-Screen Error Recovery Help and Resolution Assistance

The screenshot displays the i-STAT CHEM8+ interface with the following elements:

- Header:** i-STAT CHEM8+ 22FEB2016 18:02, Pt: 001343112323, Options Menu, and a battery icon.
- Error Message:** **Cartridge Quality Check Code** (Code: 37-001) with a yellow warning icon and a red 'X'. Below it, the text reads "Cartridge has been Overfilled".
- Reason for Failure:** A box containing the text "Reason for Failure" and a bullet point: "• Too much blood sample has been placed in cartridge".
- Diagram:** A schematic of the cartridge with a red 'X' pointing to the sample well.
- Buttons:** "Options Menu", "View Entered Info", and "View Resolution" (highlighted with a red arrow).
- Footer:** A bell icon with "Silence" text.

i-STAT CHEM8+ 13OCT2025 08:33  
Pt: 654321

Options Menu 

 **Cartridge Quality Check Failure** Code: 37-01  
Cartridge Was Overfilled


**Resolution**

When filling a cartridge, use care to advance blood to the level indicated by the 'fill to' arrow.

Repeat testing with a freshly filled cartridge.

Carefully observe the help provided throughout the testing pathway.


If the same quality check failure displays, contact the system administrator for further instruction.



Options Menu

View Entered Info

Print

 Home

View Cause

# What will affect i-STAT results?

Cause	Affected parameters
Delay in testing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ pH, in turn decreasing ionised calcium</li><li>○ Blood Gases</li><li>○ Lactate</li><li>○ Glucose</li><li>○ Coagulation Tests</li><li>○ HCT</li></ul>
Use of anticoagulants	Coagulation tests
Underfilling of collection devices	Na, Ionized calcium
Iced specimens	P02, K, Blood Gases
Usage of cold/unequilibrated cartridges	Blood Gases
Hemolysis	Potassium

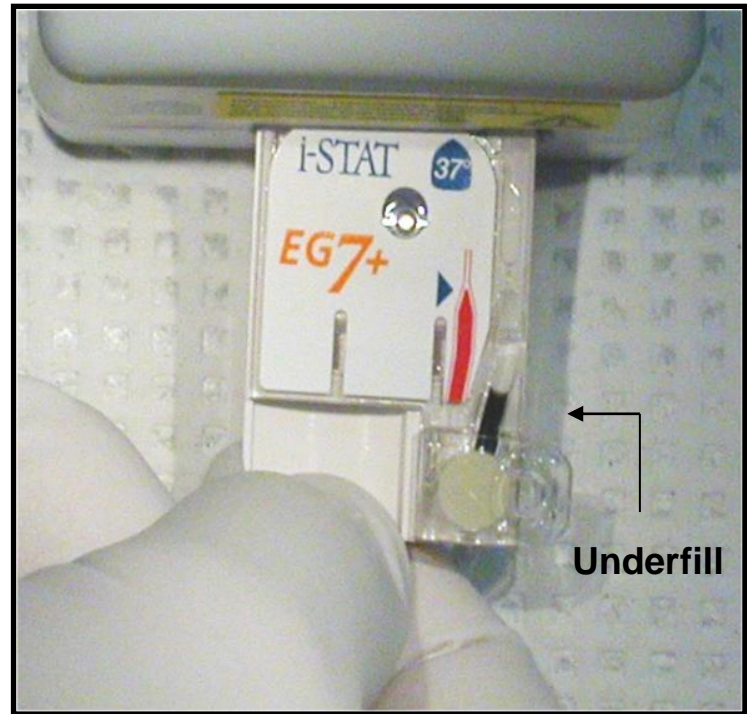
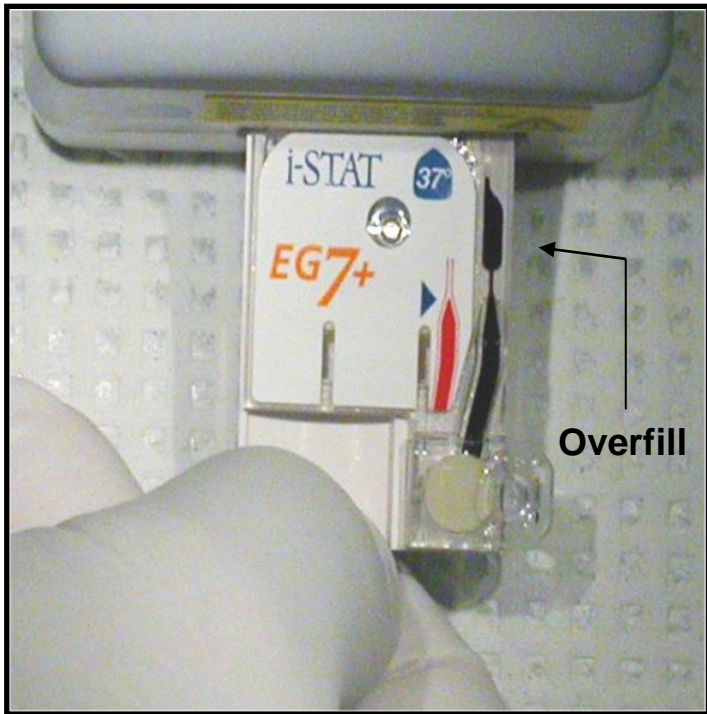
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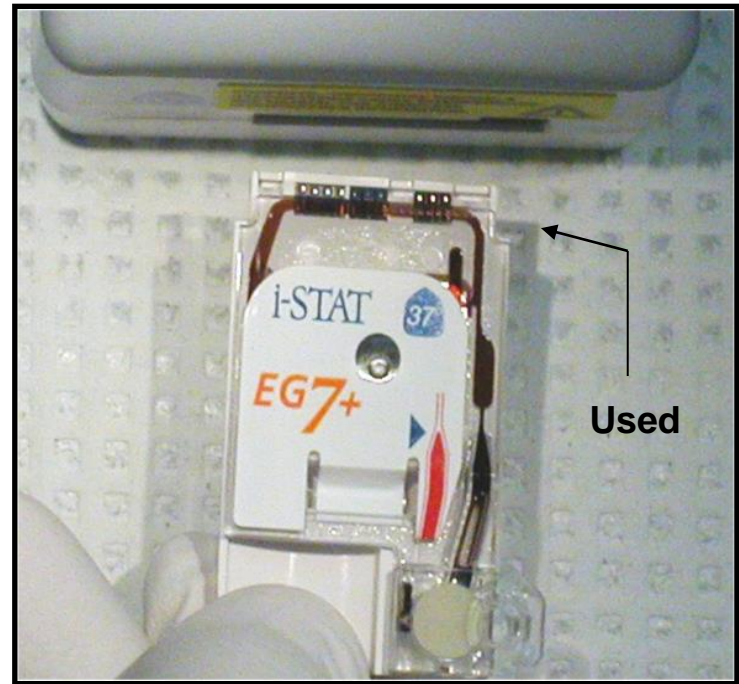
## Causes of haemolysis

- Residual alcohol used to clean the puncture site
- Muscle activity such as clenching the fist during blood draw
- Excessive squeezing of a heel or finger puncture site
- Use of needle during cartridge filling

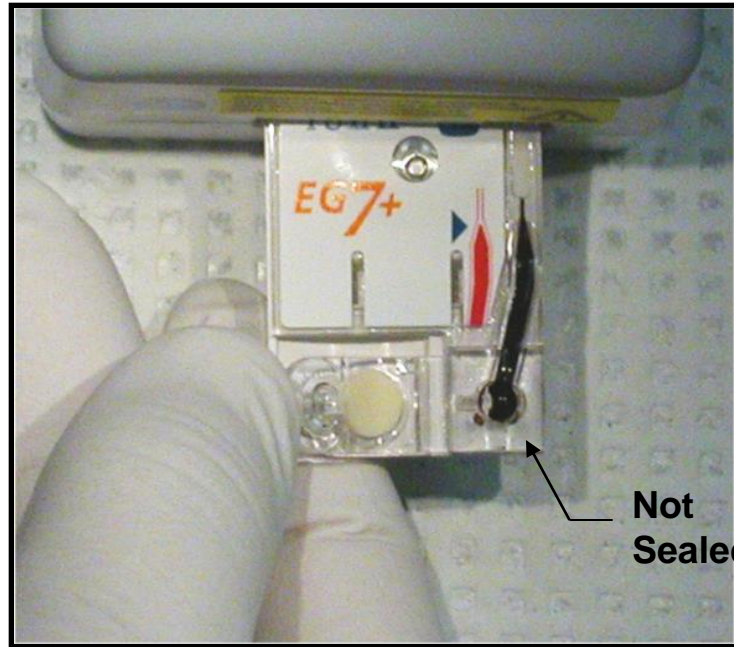
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# Cleaning and Disinfection the i-STAT Alinity System

1



Remove a wipe from the container and squeeze out any excess fluid before you begin to wipe the surface.

2



Wipe all surfaces three times. This includes front, back, sides, top and bottom.



**CaviWipes**  
EPA #46781-13

Isopropyl  
Alcohol  
Disinfectant



**Super Sani-Cloth**  
EPA #9480-4

3

Allow all surfaces to remain wet for 3 minutes.



4

Wipe with gauze until dry.

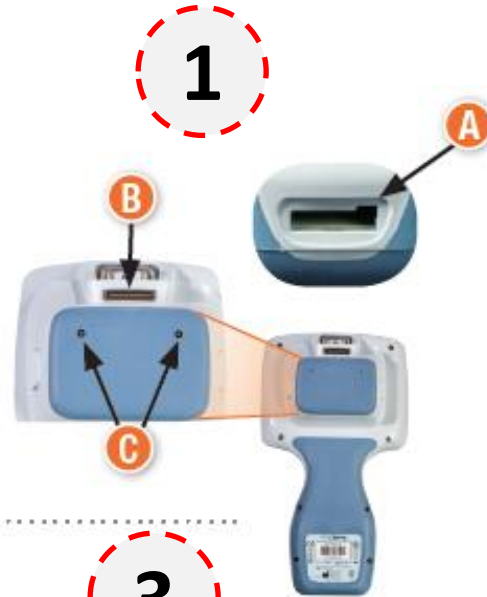




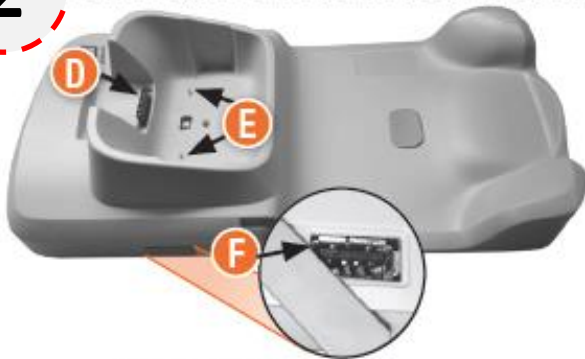
## SENSITIVE AREAS

Avoid forcing liquid into these areas:  
i-STAT Alinity Instrument

- A** Cartridge Port
- B** 10-Pin Connector under the camera
- C** Gold contacts (2) on the outside of the battery



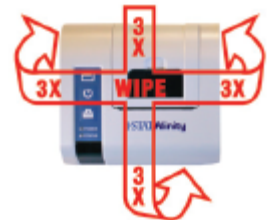
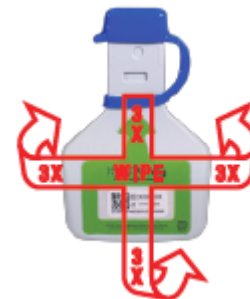
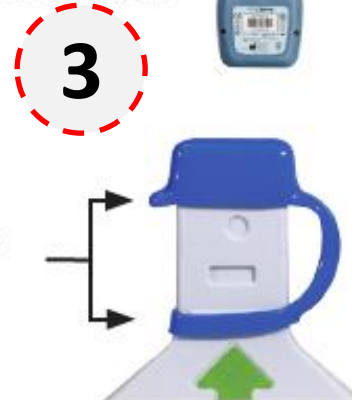
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### Base Station

- D** 10-Pin Connector
- E** Gold contact pins (2)
- F** USB Port

- G** Electronic Simulator  
Area between protective cap retaining ring and white sensor area





# Thank You !

Hands on time and Quiz!