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## NicCheck Controls Test Procedure

1. Obtain the test Control, then transfer 0.5-1.0 mL of Control to the very bottom of a 13 x 100 mm test tube or equivalent clear 13 mm diameter tube. **Try to avoid the touching of the side walls of the test tube.**
2. Remove a **NicCheck I** test strip from the canister, handling the strips only at the arrow end. **Do not touch any other part of the test strip.** Alternatively, a clean pair of forceps may be used to remove the test strip from the canister.
3. Place the **test strip directly into the urine specimen with the arrow pointing downward** into the specimen.
4. After introduction of the test strip into the specimen, **observe results after 15 minutes.**  
For differentiation into "low" versus "high" consumption of nicotine, comparison of the test results to the color chart provided must also be determined after 15 minutes. For consistency or in the case of high humidity, you should cover the tubes with parafilm, a paper or cardboard card, or anything flat that will sit on the top of the tubes.

### Important:

- bring all Controls to room temperature before testing
- handle strip at arrow end
- strips must be added with arrows pointing down in test tube
- must use a 13 x100 clear tube
- close canister tightly to protect unused strips
- protect strips from extra humidity