## **Microbiome Testing on Ticks Form**

Please fully complete this form, print and mail it (include the tick with the form).

## Mail to:

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## **Directions**:

- 1. Place tick(s) in either:
  - a. a small Ziploc<sup>TM</sup> bag with a moist cotton ball, paper towel or blade of grass
  - b. a small vial with 70% isopropyl alcohol
- 2. Fill out document with all pertinent information.
- 3. Place document and container with tick(s) in a small padded envelope.

Information: (please complete all the fields)

Date and time that the tick was found:

Where was the tick was found? [Be as specific as possible: city, county, state, type of habitat (forest, field, yard, city, etc.)]

Was the tick on you, your clothing, someone else or a pet? Was it attached or crawling around? Please clarify:

Does the person or animal who was being fed on by the tick have any pre-existing bloodborne diseases? If so, please state the bloodborne disease (HIV, AIDS, HPV, malaria, etc.)

## Disclaimer and Waiver of Liability:

By sending us this tick, I release the Center for Advance Microbial Processing (CAMP), Drexel University (DU), its staff, and employee from any liability in regards to the testing of these ticks and findings of these tests. The laboratories of Dr. Garth D. Ehrlich at Drexel University shall test the tick upon submission using methods with high specificity and sensitivity for the detection of DNA from microbes associated with Tick Borne Diseases (TBDs). These tests are only used for further research at DU, and specific results will not be shared with submitters. The tests are not intended for the use of clinical diagnosis for diseases in humans nor can the results from these tests be suitable for a clinical examination or consultation from a licensed physician. The laboratories run by Dr. Garth D. Ehrlich do not practice medicine or provide medical advice or consultation. The tests conducted on ticks are intended solely to provide a detailed assessment of the infection status and microbial composition of the ticks. All personal data from submitters shall remain entirely anonymous. DU will protect the identity of any individuals who submit ticks.

For further information please visit: <u>http://drexel.edu/medicine/about/departments/institute-for-molecular-medicine-infectious-disease/center-for-advanced-microbial-processing/</u>

Or contact us at: ticks@drexel.edu