



## PATIENT PREPARATION FOR FeNO TESTING



**THIS IS A SUGGESTED PROTOCOL, OTHER PROTOCOLS MAY BE AVAILABLE.**

<b>24 HOURS PRIOR TO TEST:</b>	<b>12 HOURS PRIOR TO TEST:</b>
Alcohol substances may cause erroneous measurement results <sup>1</sup> . It is recommended to avoid alcohol consumption for 24 hours prior to the test.	An increase in FeNO has been found after ingestion of nitrate containing foods and may lead to altered FeNO levels <sup>1</sup> .

It is recommended to avoid eating foods high in nitrates, this includes but not limited to:<sup>2</sup>

- Arugula
- Spinach
- Lettuce
- Radish
- Beetroot
- Chinese Cabbage
- Turnips
- Cabbage
- Green Beans
- Leek
- Spring Onion
- Cucumber
- Carrots
- Potatoes
- Garlic
- Sweet Pepper
- Green Pepper

<b>DAY OF TEST:</b>
On the day of the test, it is recommended to avoid any of the following 1 hour before the test : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Eating</li> <li>◦ Drinking</li> <li>◦ Smoking</li> <li>◦ Exercise</li> </ul>

The ATS/ERS Guidelines included in the references below, state that the activities listed can affect FENO readings<sup>1</sup> and therefore MGC Diagnostics has recommended to abstain from these activities for the noted time frame.

**REFERENCES:**

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