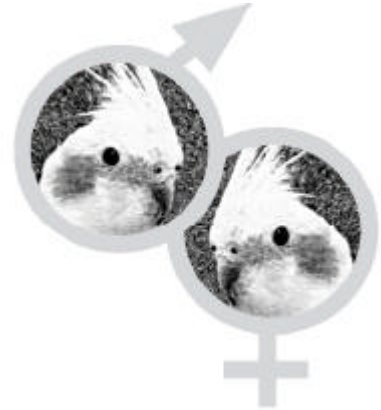


# Lab Order Form

## ***Birds: Sex Determination and Infectious Diseases***

**Sender's Address**  
(stamp or block letters)



Date and signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**Notification:**      post      e-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

fax: \_\_\_\_\_      phone: \_\_\_\_\_

### **Bird data:**

Ring-No./ Chip-No.: .....

Species: .....

Species (scientific name): .....

Sample:    Blood      Blood on filter      Feather

Request:  Sex      PBFD      APV      Herpes Pacheco      Circovirus (Dove)

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# DNA-Tests for Birds

## Things you need to know before you submit your sample:

### Material

**Blood** (1-2 drops, EDTA if possible) and **feathers with quill** can be used for sex determination and detection of Avian Polyomavirus (APV), Psittacine Beak and Feather Disease (PBFD), Pachecovirus (Herpes), Pidgeon Circovirus (PiCV).

If you submit blood samples it is recommended to use microcapillary tubes or filter paper (available upon request). Filter paper needs to be completely dried before packaging.

Alternatively, we need 2-3 feathers including quill. Make sure the feathers are **freshly plucked**. Lost feathers or fluff is not suitable as sample material.

It is crucial to **prevent contamination** with foreign DNA to avoid false results! Please wear fresh gloves when you take samples or wash your hands thoroughly before collecting from the next animal. Feathers need to be packaged separately for every bird. "Dry" feathers can be send in a regular paper envelope or paper bag, "wet" feathers are best send in a blood or urine tube, or a plastic bag.

Make sure that every sample is labelled appropriately with the birds ring-number and full species name.

### **Bird species that can be tested**

Our laboratory has extensive experience with sex determination in a variety of bird species.

We only offer routine sex determination of bird species after running the test several times to make sure female and male birds in that particular species can be identified.

In some species this method does not produce reliable results. **Therefore it is very important to provide us with the exact species name!**

Please contact us to get more information about the bird species that can be tested.