# Atellica DCA
## Patient Test Procedure

Austin HEALTH | Pathology

### Before Testing

Register the patient with a UR number before testing. If this is not possible, use the UR Number **999999999.**
If DOB is unknown, enter **01/01/1900. Complete a POCT Reconciliation Form.**
If an incorrect UR is entered, results may go to the wrong patient record. **Contact your supervising lab immediately**, complete a POCT Reconciliation form, and send it to poc@austin.org.au



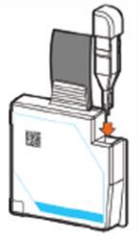

**1** Take HbA1c cartridge out of the foil pouch and obtain a Capillary Holder from the package.

**2** Prick a clean, dry fingertip with a single-use lancet. Gently squeeze from the base of the finger to form a drop of blood, wipe away the first drop, then squeeze again to collect a second drop.

**3** Hold the capillary holder at an angle and touch only the tip of the capillary to the blood drop until it fills.



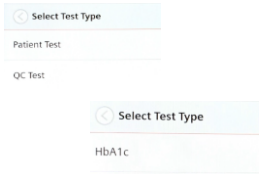
**4** Insert the capillary holder into the cartridge, flat side facing the cartridge, and push until it snaps into place.



**5** Tap 'Ready' on the screen.



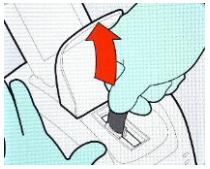

**6** Select Patient Test and then HbA1C




**7** Open the cartridge door, insert the cartridge until it clicks.




**8** Pull the flexible pull-tab out of the reagent cartridge and close the door.
**Note: You have 15 seconds after closing the door to start the test.**



**9** Enter or scan the UR number. Enter name and DOB if the fields don't auto populate.
Press Continue.



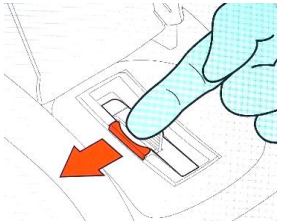
**10** Results will be available in 5 minutes. Tap 'Results available'




**11** Results will be displayed for Review. Press Done.




**12** When prompted, open the door and press the release button. Remove the cartridge, close the door, dispose of the cartridge, and log out.



## Safety

1. This procedure involves the handling of human biological specimens.
2. Staff must adhere to relevant safety protocol including the wearing of appropriate personal protective equipment.

## References

SOP-POC-009 Atellica DCA Standard Operating Procedure