

Drawing Blood - A pictorial guide for goat producers

Blood drawn by: Kassondra Smith



1) Kassie clips Ginger's neck so that she can more easily find the jugular vein.



2) She pinches off the vein so it pops out, and proceeds to poke it with her finger to feel it "bounce". When it is firm, she knows that it is ready to pull blood.



3) Kassie inserts the needle into the vein.



4) Kassie draws back the plunger and the syringe proceeds to fill with the blood from Ginger's jugular vein.



5) Kassie waits until she has 3 ccs of blood in the tube before retracting the needle.



6) After removing the needle from the vein, Kassie has a full syringe full of blood.



7) Kassie inserts the needle of the syringe into a 3 cc vacuum blood-tube.



8) The vacuum pulls the blood into the tube.



9) The blood sample is now ready to package up and ship off to the lab.

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