

## DIFF-SAFE<sup>®</sup> BLOOD DISPENSER DIRECTIONS FOR USE

**Step 1.** With tube held upright, Insert the cannula through the rubber stopper

The insertion can be done either prior to or after mixing. Frequently labs insert when the tubes are still in the rack. For protection, the end of the cannula is blunted, but it passes easily through the stopper, particularly so if the stopper had been pierced previously by an automated cell counter.



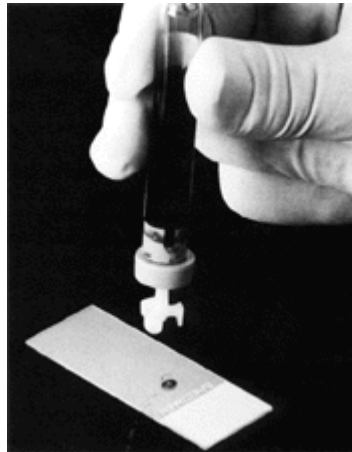
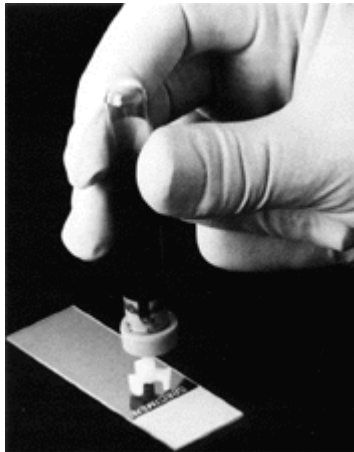
**WARNING:** WEAR GLOVES. DO NOT INSERT WHEN TUBE IS UPSIDE DOWN. FOR TUBES WHICH HAVE BEEN PREVIOUSLY OPENED AND RE- CAPPED, MAKE SURE THAT THE STOPPERS HAVE BEEN FULLY SEATED ON THE RIM OR EXCESS SPECIMEN MIGHT BE EJECTED WHEN THE DEVICE IS PRESSED AGAINST THE SLIDE.

**Step 2.** Turn tube upside down and press against slide. The instant the blood is deposited on the slide, first RELAX PRESSURE FOR AN INSTANT, then lift off the slide.

The **DIFF-SAFE<sup>®</sup>** dispenser is designed to release a drop whose size is ideal for making smears. TO ENSURE A UNIFORM DROP SIZE, BE SURE TO RELAX PRESSURE FOR AN INSTANT BEFORE LIFTING OFF THE SLIDE.

By relaxing pressure **DIFF-SAFE<sup>®</sup>** sucks back any excess blood from the slide leaving an ideal drop for making smears.

The **DIFF-SAFE<sup>®</sup>** dispenser may be removed immediately after use and discarded. However, in most labs the practice is to leave the device in the stopper and later discard together with the tube.



Cuts the time of smear making in half, reduces fatigue. Compared to the typical procedure involving fifteen or more steps when sticks or capillaries are used, the procedure using the **DIFF-SAFE<sup>®</sup>** dispenser cuts the number of steps by two thirds. You gain back valuable technician time, while at the same time avoiding unnecessary hazards.