

## The 2026-2027 International Pigeon (*Columba livia*) STR DNA Typing Comparison Tests

### Critical Duty Lab NOTES for shipping and receiving of samples

- To receive samples in a timely fashion, please completely fill out necessary paperwork.
- Please ensure you have completed and uploaded all documents that are required to accompany the shipment of samples (Anexo, I, II, III, IV, etc.). These documents need to be completed with your information (recipient) as well as the shipper information provided by the duty lab below.
- The duty lab will fill in the Federal Express tracking number and sign their name.
- All other information is the responsibility of the recipient.
- Below is critical information that should help you prepare all documentation:

**Shipper:** Angelika Mąsior, PhD

**Individual who packaged the samples:** Angelika Mąsior, PhD

**Title of Shipper:** Assistant Professor

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**Shipment will be via** FedEx

**Departing airport:** John Paul II International Airport Kraków–Balice

**Shipment contents:** 22 individually sealed 1.8 ml tubes. Each tube contains 40ul of purified pigeons DNA rehydrated in TE buffer. The extraction protocol inactivates all possible pathogens.

**Shipping packaging:** 22 securely sealed tubes labeled PCT1–22 will be placed in a box and then in a shipping envelope.

### Notes:

1. Whole samples for DNA isolation were collected from pigeons that were healthy at the time of sampling.
2. Polish veterinarians do not have stamps to certify the shipment. Thus, there will be no official veterinarian certification stamp.
3. If you need a letter included with your shipment, please send a draft of the letter in an editable format that can be copied onto the duty laboratories letterhead.

4. For the recipient contact, please make sure the person you list will be available at the contact number you provide and can answer any import questions from customs and FedEx. Several duty labs reported in previous CTs, not supplying the correct name/number/e-mail or not replying to questions sent to recipient is the number one reason samples are delayed or never received.