## Platelet Aggregation Testing – Patient Guide

## (Please provide this form to patients referred to Machaon for Platelet Aggregation testing)

Your doctor has ordered a comprehensive platelet aggregation study. This is a specialized test only offered at a handful of reference laboratories across the United States. Timing is of critical importance for this test.

Machaon Diagnostics - New Orleans specializes in diagnosis of complex bleeding and clotting disorders.

## Where you are going...

Our location:	8721 Oak Street, New Orleans, LA 70118
Draw times:	9 AM – 2 PM
Time required:	Expect the visit to take 15-25 minutes.
Patient parking:	There is usually ample street parking within two blocks on Oak Street.

## Please remember you MUST call to make an appointment!

Appointments:	Please phone 504-866-7090.
Fasting:	DO NOT eat or drink anything, except for water, for 6 hours prior to blood draw.
Interfering Agents:	Many drugs, supplements and dietary ingredients can interfere with the accurate
	measurement of platelet function. Please have a list of all your current medications
	and supplements when phoning for an appointment.
Prescribed Drugs:	If you have been prescribed aspirin, non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs
	(NSAIDs), antihistamines, fish oil concentrates or other platelet inhibitors, DO NOT
	discontinue use. We will notify you once we receive physician authorization to
	discontinue certain medications.
Pending Surgery:	Please notify us if this test is for a pending medical procedure.

