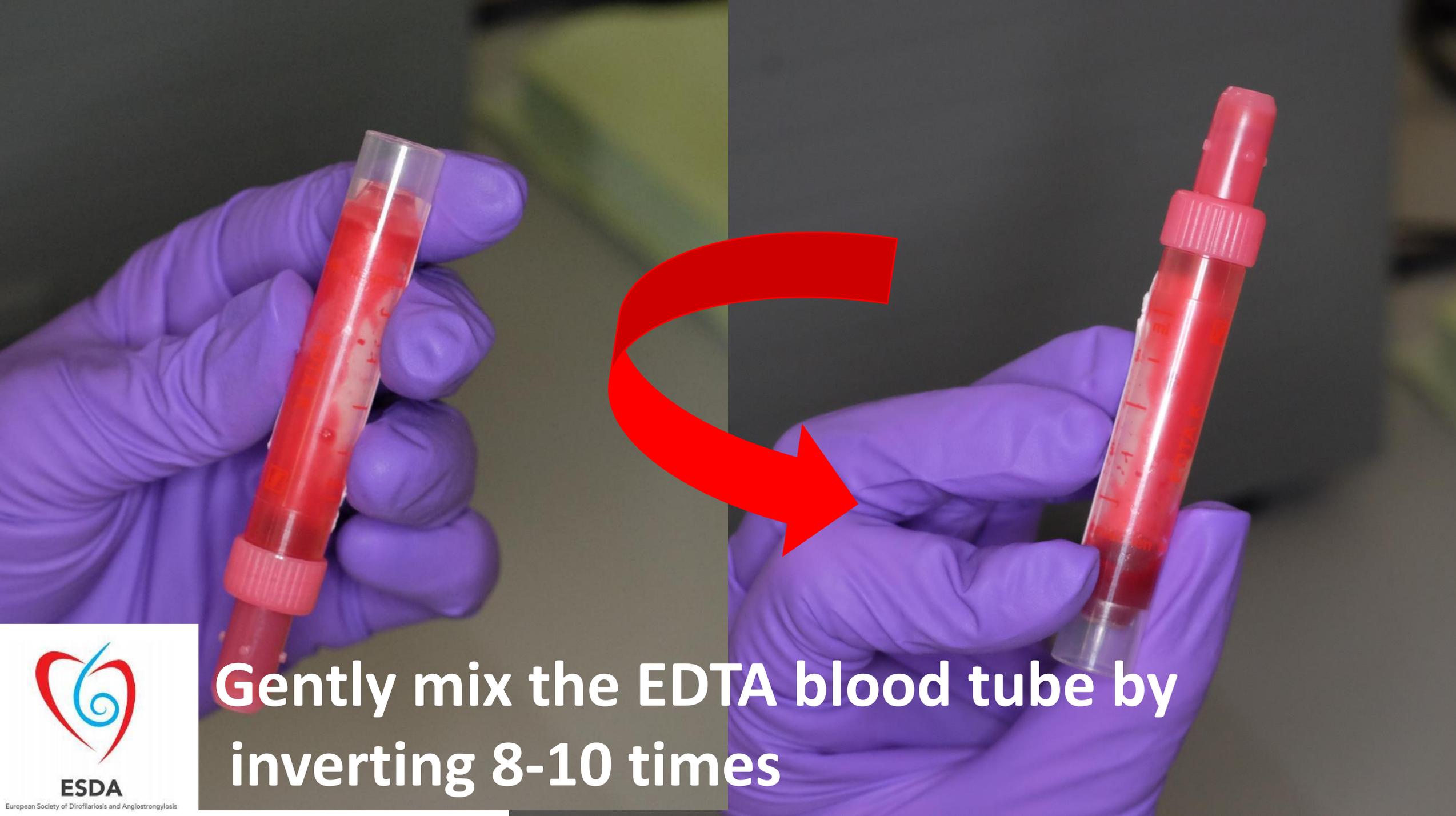




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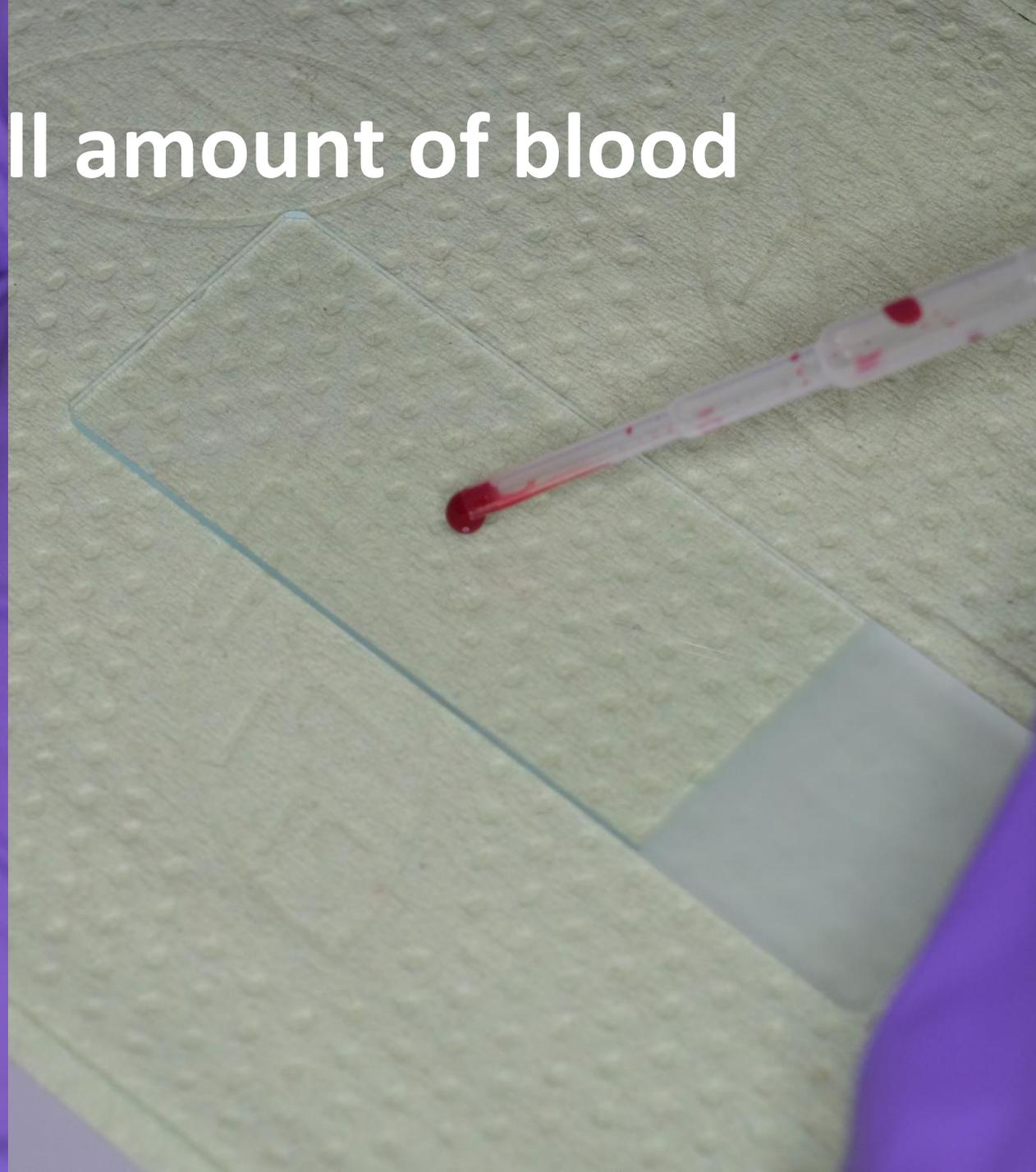
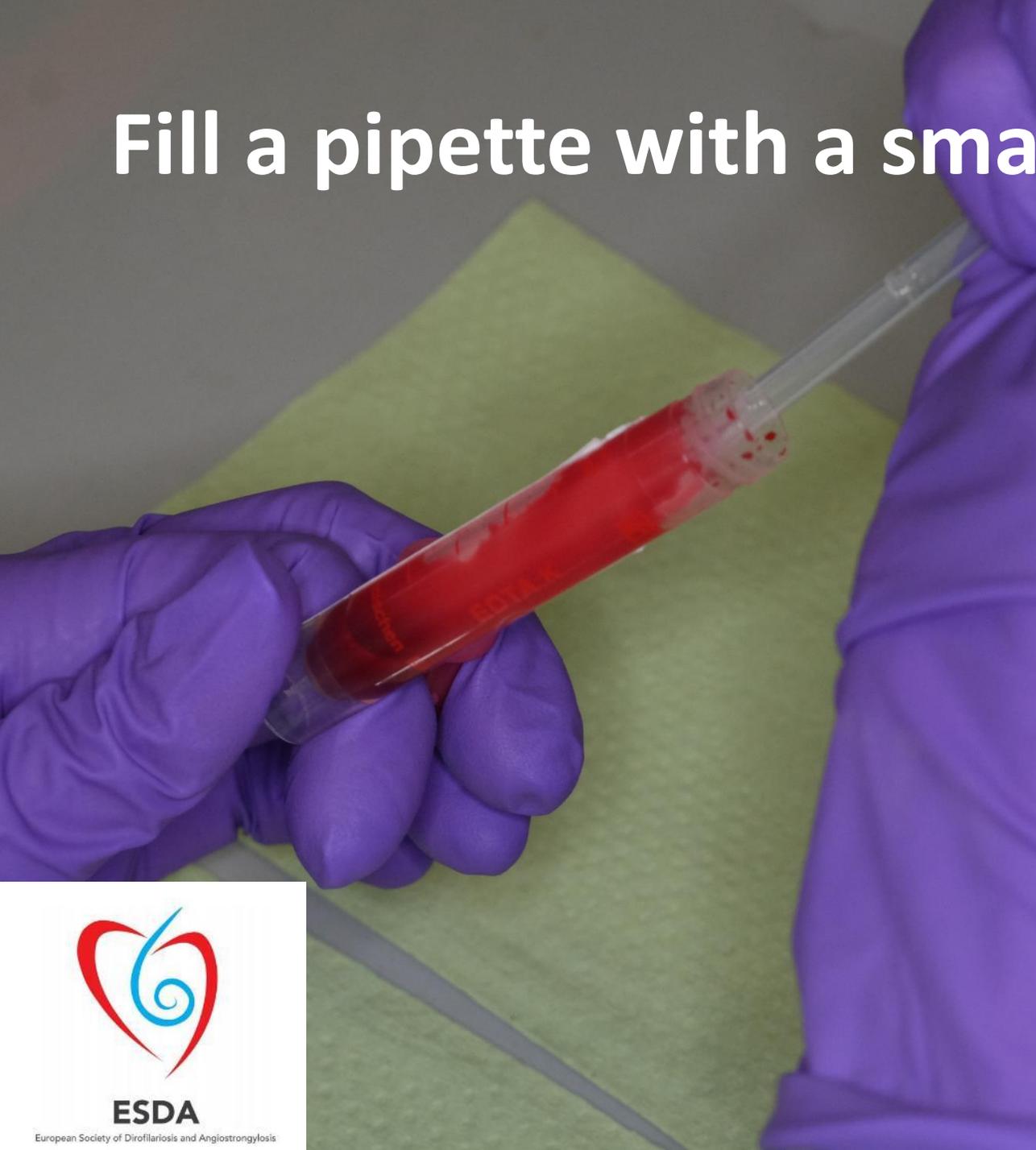
**Gently mix the EDTA blood tube by
inverting 8-10 times**



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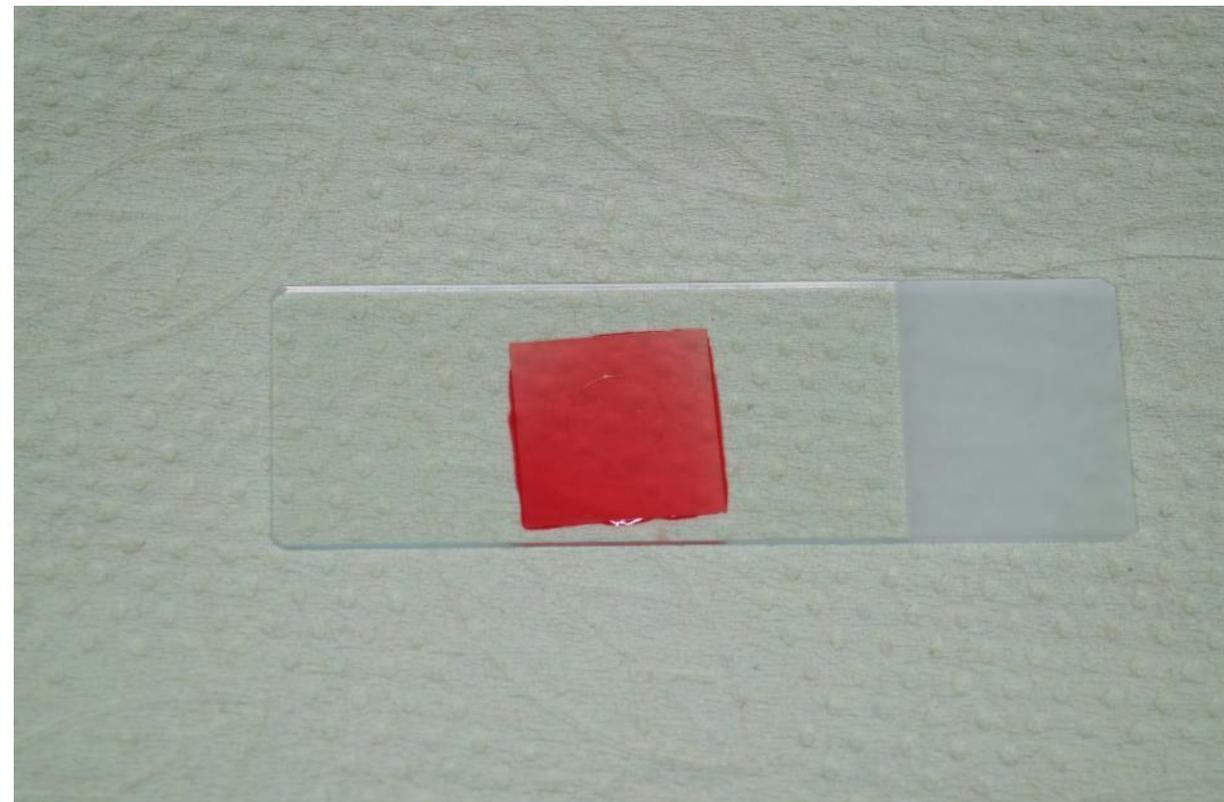
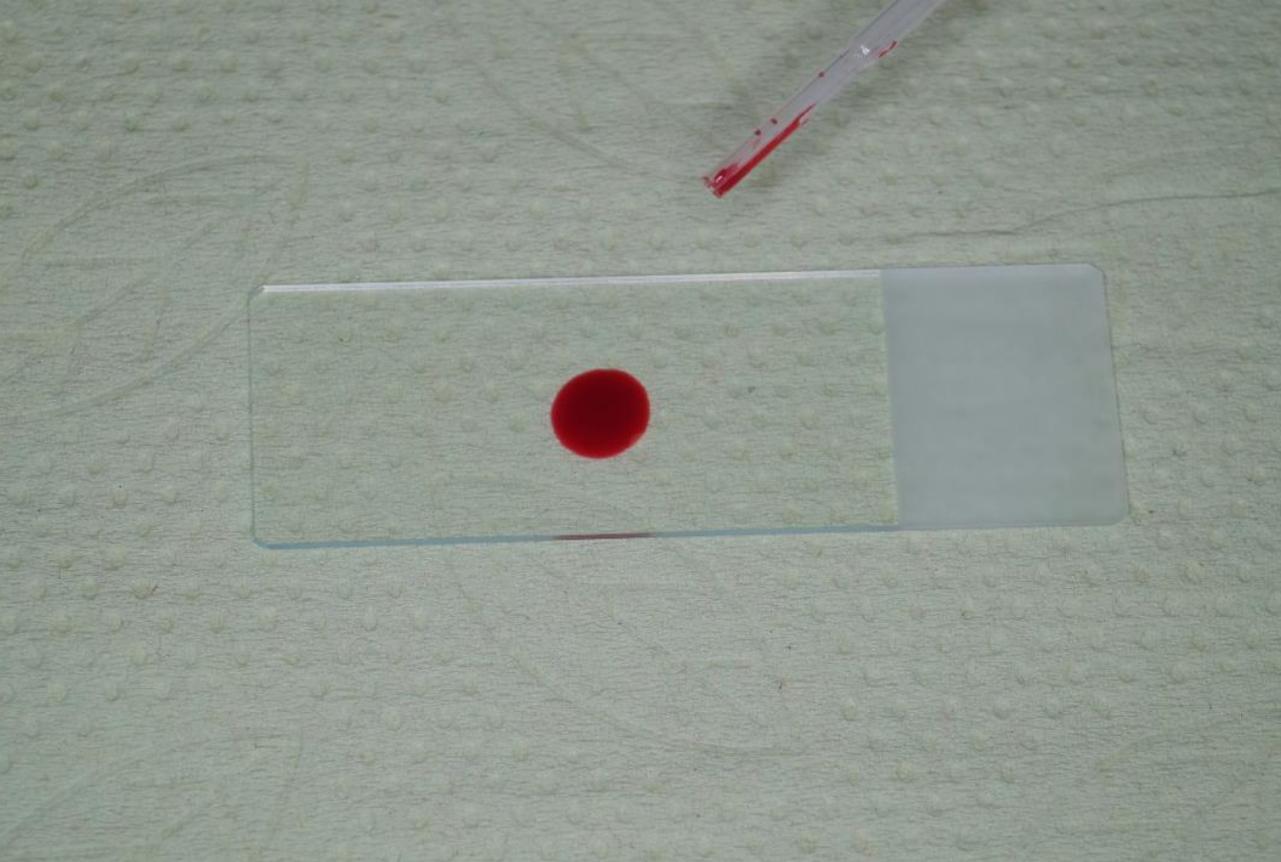
Fill a pipette with a small amount of blood



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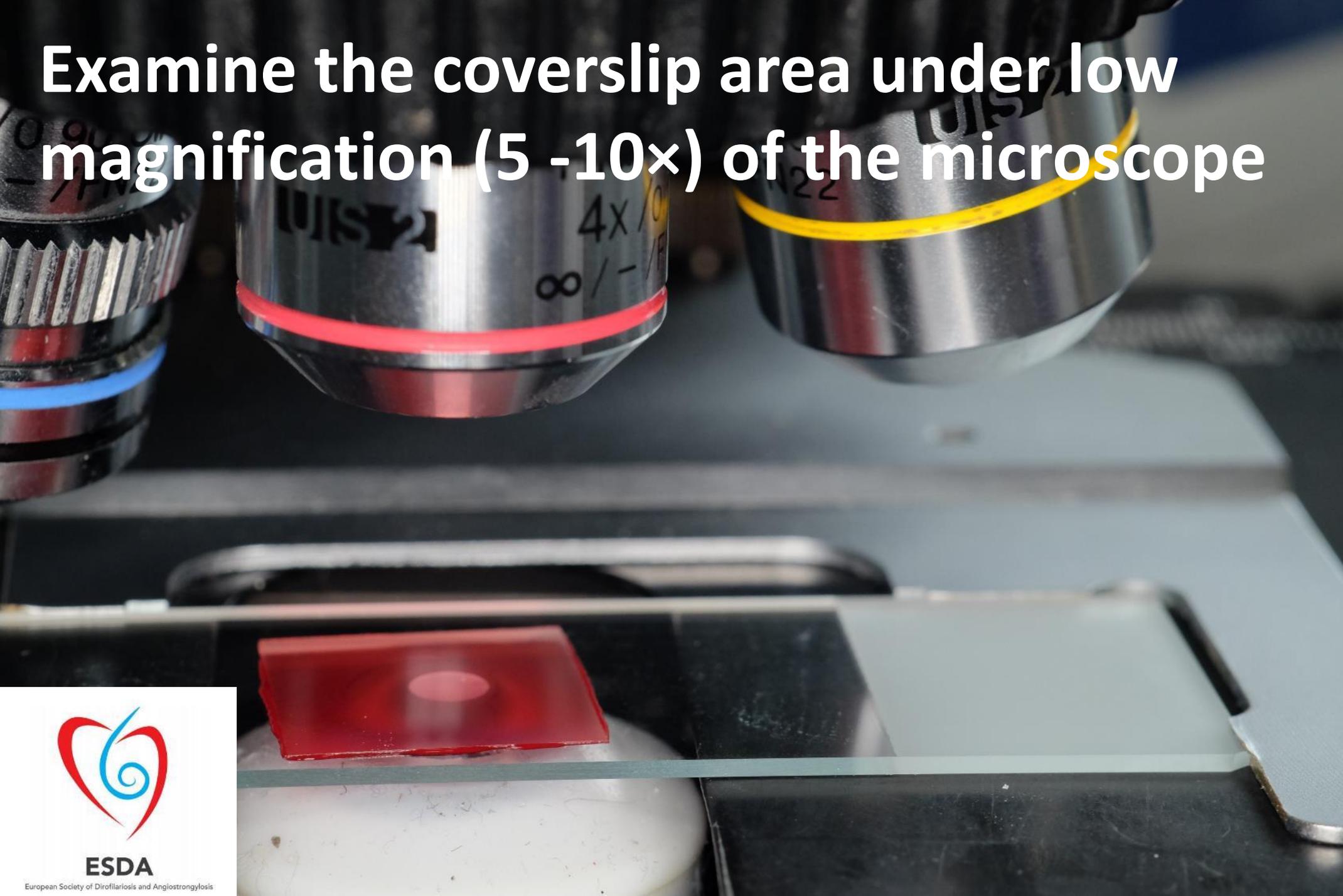
Place a drop of venous blood onto a clean microscope slide and coverslip.



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Examine the coverslip area under low magnification (5 -10 \times) of the microscope



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Look for undulating movements of microfilariae



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