

Acceptable Specimen Collection Containers

Lavender top (EDTA), Greiner 4 ml

- a. CBC
- b. Reticulocyte Count
- c. Platelet
- d. Glycosylated Hemoglobin
- e. Sed Rate

Blue top (3.2% Sodium Citrate), Greiner 4.5 ml

- a. Prothrombin time
- b. Activated Partial Thromboplastin Time
- c. Fibrinogen

Yellow top (Sodium Polyanetholsulfonate 5.95 mg and NaCl 14.4 mg) BD Vacutainer 10 ml

- a. Blood Culture and some special testing in chemistry

Gold/Red Top SST Plus, Greiner 5 ml

- a. Chemistry
- b. Serology

Green Top (Lithium Heparin), BD 6 ml

- a. Special Draws
- b. CKMB + Troponin – Analyze within 2 hours after collection
- c. Ammonia

Gray Top , BD Vacutainer PPT..Plasma preparation Tube 5 ml

- a. Special Draws

Red Top (No Preservative, additives or gel))

- a. Blood Bank, BD Vacutainer 10 ml
- b. Therapeutic drug tests, Greiner 6ml

Yellow Top, BD 5 ml SST Vacutainer

- a. Special tests and many Pittsburgh performed tests