

# SPECIMEN COLLECTION TUBES



## Blue top tube - Sodium Citrate (NaCitrate)

This tube is primarily used for coagulation studies (PT and PTT). Complete filling of this tube is essential to obtain accurate results.



## Lavender top tube - EDTA

EDTA is the anticoagulant used for most hematology procedures. Its primary use is for the CBC and individual components of the CBC. The larger 6 mL tube is used for blood bank procedures.



### **Red top tube**

This tube has no anticoagulant and is used for many chemistry tests, drug levels, and blood bank procedures.



## Navy blue top tube

There are two general types - one with K2 EDTA and one with no anticoagulant. This tube is used primarily for trace metal analysis.



#### **Gold top tube SST**

This tube contains a clot activator and serum gel separator. It has no anticoagulant and is used for many chemistry tests. It cannot be used for certain drug levels or any blood bank procedures.



**Green top tube** Sodium Heparin or Lithium Heparin



### **Tiger top tube SST**

This tube contains a clot activator and serum gel separator. It has no anticoagulant and is used for many chemistry tests. It cannot be used for certain drug levels or any blood bank procedures. This is the preferred tube for chemistry testing.



Yellow top tube ACD (Sol. A or Sol. B)

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