MACHAON Specimen Processing Guide

Processing for Serum



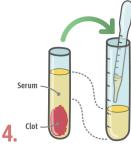
Collect whole blood into red tube.



Gently invert the tube(s) several times to adequately mix and then allow the whole blood to clot (e.g. 30 minutes).



Centrifuge the collection tube(s) (e.g. 1500g for 15 minutes).



Transfer the serum to an aliquot tube without disturbing the clot.



Label all aliquots clearly with:

- Patient's full name
- Date of birth
- Collection date & time
- Sample type (Serum)

Processing for EDTA Plasma



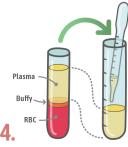
Collect whole blood into a lavender/purple tube.



Gently invert the tube(s) several times to adequately



Centrifuge the collection tube(s) (e.g. 1500g for 15 minutes).



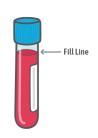
Transfer the plasma to an aliquot tube without disturbing the cells.



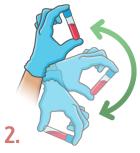
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- Patient's full name
- Date of birth
- Collection date & time
- Sample type (EDTA Plasma)

Processing for Citrated Plasma



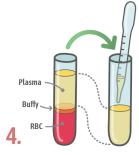
Collect whole blood into a light blue tube. A 9:1 ratio of whole blood to anticoagulant is critical. *Do not process* tubes that are partially filled.



Gently invert the tube(s) several times to adequately



Centrifuge the collection tube(s) (e.g. 1500g for 15 minutes).



Transfer the platelet poor plasma (<10,000 platelets/µl required, double spin may be needed) to another tube. See test details page for volume requirements.



Label all aliquots clearly with:

- Patient's full name
- Date of birth
- Collection date & time
- Sample type (Citrated Plasma)



Store processed samples at the appropriate storage condition (room temperature or frozen). Please refer to machaondiagnostics.com for test specific storage conditions and stability information.

