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Carotene, Serum Total

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**Specimen Required:** Patient Prep: Fasting specimens preferred.

Collect: Serum Separator Tube (SST).

Specimen Preparation: **CRITICAL:** Protect from light immediately after collection and during storage and shipment. Transfer 3 mL serum to ARUP Amber Transport Tube. (Min: 0.6 mL)

Storage/Transport Temperature: Frozen. **Separate specimens must be submitted when multiple tests are ordered.**

Unacceptable Conditions: Any specimen other than serum. Hemolyzed or icteric specimens.

Stability (collection to initiation of testing): After separation from cells: Ambient: Unacceptable; Refrigerated: 4 hours; Frozen: 1 month