
0090131**Alcohols****ALCT**

Performed: Sun-Sat
Reported: 1-3 days

Specimen Required: Patient Prep: For medical purposes only. Timing of specimen collection: Dependent on time of exposure, test upon presentation to hospital.

Collect: Plain Red. Also acceptable: Lavender (EDTA), Pink (K₂EDTA), or Gray (Potassium Oxalate/Sodium Fluoride).

Specimen Preparation: Separate from cells ASAP or within 2 hours of collection. Transfer 2 mL serum or plasma to an ARUP Standard Transport Tube. (Min: 0.3 mL) **Cap tube tightly to minimize alcohol loss.**

Storage/Transport Temperature: Refrigerated.

Unacceptable Conditions: Whole blood, Plasma Separator Tubes (PST), Serum Separator Tubes (SST).

Stability (collection to initiation of testing): After separation from cells: Ambient: 1 week; Refrigerated: 2 weeks; Frozen: 1 month.