

HOTLINE: Effective February 22, 2022

0020028 Phosphorus, Inorganic, Plasma or Serum

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Specimen Required: Collect: Plasma separator tube or serum separator tube. Also acceptable: Green (lithium heparin), Lavender (K₂ EDTA), or Pink (K₂ EDTA).

Specimen Preparation: Allow serum tube to clot completely at room temperature. Separate serum or plasma from cells within 2 hours of collection. Transfer 1 mL serum or plasma to an ARUP Standard Transport Tube. (Min: 0.2 mL)

Storage/Transport Temperature: Refrigerated.

<u>Unacceptable Conditions:</u> Hemolyzed specimens. Specimens collected in sodium fluoride/potassium oxalate, citrate.

Stability (collection to initiation of testing): After separation from cells: Ambient: 24 hours; Refrigerated: 4 days; Frozen: 1 year