

HOTLINE: Effective February 18, 2020

0030215 Prothrombin Time PT

Specimen Required: Collect: Light Blue (Sodium Citrate). Special Specimen Collection and Handling Hemostasis/Thrombosis Specimens guide located at

https://www.aruplab.com/Specimen-Handling/SpecialSpecimenCollection/Hemostasis-Thrombosis.pdf
Specimen Preparation: Transfer 1 mL platelet-poor plasma to an ARUP Standard Transport Tube. (Min: 0.5 mL)

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

<u>Unacceptable Conditions:</u> Serum or EDTA plasma. Clotted or hemolyzed specimens.

Stability (collection to initiation of testing): Ambient: Unacceptable; Refrigerated: Unacceptable; Frozen: 2 weeks

University of Utah Clients: Ambient: 24 hours; Refrigerated: Unacceptable; Frozen: 2 weeks