

HOTLINE: Effective February 22, 2022

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Prealbumin, Serum

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Specimen Required: Patient Prep: Fasting specimen preferred.

Collect: Serum separator tube.

Specimen Preparation: Allow specimen to clot completely at room temperature. Separate serum or plasma from cells ASAP or within 2 hours of collection. Transfer 0.5 mL serum or plasma to an ARUP Standard Transport Tube. (Min: 0.5 mL)

Storage/Transport Temperature: Refrigerated.

Unacceptable Conditions: Hemolyzed specimens.

Stability (collection to initiation of testing): After separation from cells: Ambient: 3 days; Refrigerated: 6 months; Frozen: 12 months