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**0070145****Thyroid Stimulating Hormone****TSH**

**Specimen Required:** Collect: Plasma separator tube (PST). Also **acceptable:** Serum separator tube (SST).

Specimen Preparation: Separate serum or plasma from cells ASAP or within 2 hours of collection. Allow serum specimen to clot completely at room temperature. Transfer 1 mL serum or plasma to an ARUP Standard Transport Tube. (Min: 0.5 mL)

Storage/Transport Temperature: Refrigerated.

Unacceptable Conditions: Grossly hemolyzed specimens.

Stability (collection to initiation of testing): After separation of cells: Ambient: 8 days; Refrigerated: 2 weeks; Frozen: 2 years