

Quarterly HOTLINE: Effective November 12, 2018

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Circulating Tumor Cell Count

CTC COUNT

Specimen Required: Patient Prep: If the patient is on doxorubicin therapy, allow at least **1 week** following administration of a dose of doxorubicin before blood draw.
Collect: 2 CellSave Preservative tubes (ARUP supply # 44867) available online through eSupply using ARUP Connect™ or contact ARUP Client Services at (800) 522-2787. **(Min: 8 mL per tube)**
Specimen Preparation: Transport 20 mL whole blood. (Min: **16 mL**)
Storage/Transport Temperature: Room **temperature**.
Remarks: **Submit with Order:** Source of metastatic cancer. This assay is FDA approved only for breast, colorectal, or prostate metastatic cancers; other types will not be tested.
Unacceptable Conditions: **Specimens** not collected in the CellSave tube or collected in expired CellSave tubes. Short draws.
Stability (collection to initiation of testing): Ambient: 4 days; Refrigerated: Unacceptable; Frozen: Unacceptable