

## HOTLINE: Effective September 7, 2021

## 3002001 Kell K/k (KEL) Antigen Genotyping

**KEL GENO** 

**Specimen Required:** Collect: Fetal genotyping:

Cultured amniocytes: Two T-25 flasks at 80 percent confluency.

If the client is unable to culture amniocytes, this can be arranged by contacting ARUP Client Services at (800) 522-2787. WITH maternal cell contamination specimen (see Note): Lavender (K<sub>2</sub>EDTA), Pink (K<sub>2</sub>EDTA), or Yellow (ACD Solution A or R)

Parental genotyping: Lavender (K<sub>2</sub>EDTA), Pink (K<sub>2</sub>EDTA).

Specimen Preparation: Cultured amniocytes: Transport two T-25 flasks at 80 percent confluency filled with culture media. Backup cultures must be retained at the client's institution until testing is complete.

Maternal cell contamination specimen: Transport 3 mL whole blood (Min: 1 mL)

Whole blood (parental genotyping): Transport 3 mL whole blood. (Min: 1 mL)

Storage/Transport Temperature: Cultured amniocytes: CRITICAL ROOM TEMPERATURE. Must be received within 48 hours of shipment due to lability of cells.

Whole blood or maternal cell contamination specimen: Refrigerated.

Remarks: Patient History Form is available on the ARUP website or by contacting ARUP Client Services.

Unacceptable Conditions: Plasma or serum. Specimens collected in sodium heparin tubes.

Stability (collection to initiation of testing): Fetal specimen: Ambient: 48 hours; Refrigerated: Unacceptable; Frozen: Unacceptable

Whole blood or maternal cell contamination specimen: Ambient: 72 hours; Refrigerated: 1 week; Frozen: 1 month