

CLINICAL BIOCHEMISTRY

Sample Volume Requirements

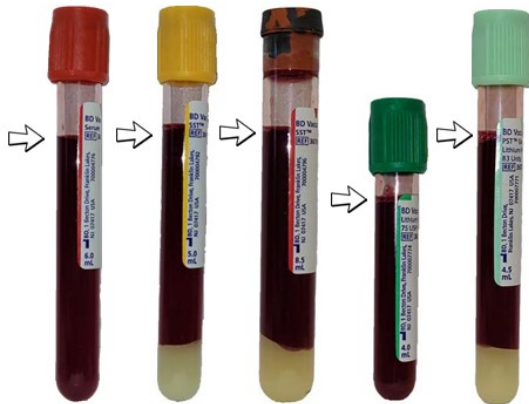
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For best practice due to preservatives in blood collection tubes it is important the laboratory receives tubes with the full sample volume to ensure the most reliable and accurate results for patients. Insufficiently filled blood collection tubes require manual processing which delays turnaround time for all samples received in the laboratory.

The Clinical Biochemistry Laboratory at HSC will be transitioning to new analyzers throughout the next year and during this transition it will be very important that we continue to receive the correct sample volumes in the lab.

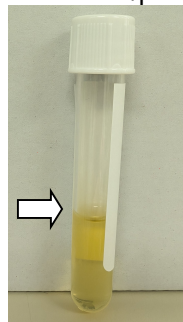
For serum tubes (red or yellow top tubes) and/or lithium heparin plasma tubes (dark or light green top tubes):

- Full draw tube must be received



For aliquot tubes (received from referral labs):

- Minimum of 2 mL of serum/plasma must be received

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