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CLINICAL PRACTICE CHANGE

ERYTHROCYTE SEDIMENTATION RATE (ESR) ANALYZER SPECIMENS

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Westman Laboratory will go live with the new analyzer on Saturday, March 16, 2019. Health Sciences Centre site is still completing the validation.

The sample required can be a 2, 3, or 4 mL EDTA tube, but must have a minimum volume of 2 mL.

The stability of the sample has not changed ie. 36 hours for refrigerated samples at $2-8^{\circ}$ C or 24 hours for room temperature samples at $18-25^{\circ}$ C.

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