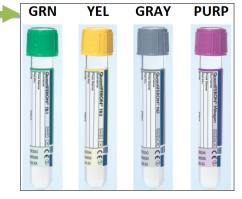


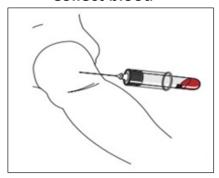
SPECIMEN COLLECTION INSTRUCTIONS FOR QUANTIFERON-TB KIT

- 1. Collect 1ml of blood into each of the specialized blood collection tubes: Total volume will be 4 ml.
- 2. If the patient is having additional lab work along with this test then follow the order of draw for all tests; Quantiferon-TB kit tubes will be drawn last.
 - There is no specific order these tubes need to be drawn in.
- 3. Keep tubes at room temperature; only draw with room temperature tubes.
- 4. Tubes are a slow draw tube. Ensure correct volume is drawn into each tube.
 - If the level of blood in each tube is not to the indicator line another sample must be collected.
- 5. When collecting with a butterfly needle and only the TB test is ordered: a discard tube must be collected prior to collecting the Quantiferon-TB Tubes.
- 6. Using the color indicated on the small specimen label, affix the specimen labels to the matching tube color types.
- 7. Immediately after collection, **gently shake tubes 10 times** to ensure the inner surface of the tube is coated with blood.
- 8. **DO NOT SPIN** specimens.
- 9. Remember: Collect each individual tube in soft.
- 10. Do not refrigerate.
- 11. **Track each tube individually to the batch;** send tubes in original bag to specimen receiving.

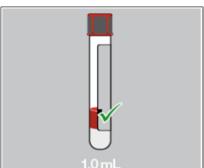
Specimens MUST reach lab within 16 hours of collection.



Collect blood



Ensure tube is full



Shake gently 10x

to coat inner surface of tube with blood

NOTE: Under or over filling the tubes may lead to erroneous results. Vigorous mixing may cause gel to disrupt and could lead to abnormal results.

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