









**BD Microtainer® Tubes with  
BD Microgard™ Closure**

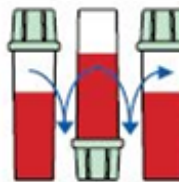
**Order of Draw**

Catalog #/ Closure Color	Additive	Mix by Inverting
 365974 Lavender	K <sub>2</sub> EDTA	10x
 365965 Green	Lithium Heparin	10x
 365985 Mint Green	Lithium Heparin and Gel for plasma separation	10x
 365987 Mint Green		
 365992 Grey	NaF/ Na <sub>2</sub> EDTA	10x
 365967 Gold	Clot Activator and Gel for serum separation	5x
 365978 Gold		
 365963 Red	No additive	0x

**Processing of Tubes**

**Why**

- Most tubes contain an additive or clot activator that needs to be mixed with the blood sample.
- Tubes with anticoagulants such as EDTA need to be mixed to ensure the specimen does not clot.



**How**

- Holding tube upright, gently invert 180° and back.
- Repeat movement as prescribed for each tube.

**When**

- Immediately after drawing.

**Consequences if not mixed**

- Tubes with anticoagulants will clot.
- BD SST™ tubes may not clot completely.
- Specimen will often need to be redrawn.