

BD Microtainer Tubes with Microgard Closure Tube Guide and Order of Draw

Catalog #/Closure Color	Additive	Mix by Inverting	Laboratory Use
MICROTAINER 365974 Lavender	FIRST K ₂ EDTA	10x	For whole blood hematology determinations. Tube inversions prevent clotting.
MICROTAINER 365965 Green	Lithium Heparin	10x	For plasma determinations in chemistry. Tube inversions prevent clotting.
365985 Mint Green MCROTANER 365987 Mint Green	Lithium Heparin and Gel for plasma separation	10x	For plasma determinations in chemistry. Tube inversions prevent clotting.
MICROTAINER 365992 Grey	NaFi/Na ₂ EDTA	10x	For glucose determinations. Tube Inversions ensure proper mixing of additive and blood.
365967 Gold MICROTAINER 365978 Gold	Clot Activator and Gel for serum separation	5x	For serum determinations in chemistry.
MICROTAINER 365963 Red	LAST No additive	0x	For serum determinations in chemistry, serology and blood banking.



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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.