

HOW TO PROCESS

SHIPPING TEMP

Cdd and Cdz5 study	56880	2 LAV TUBES	KEEP AS WHOLE BLOOD	ROOM TEMP
NJC-C4a/C3a	42658 / 42003	2 LAV TUBES	SPIN TUBES AND PUT PLASMA INTO 2 SEPARATE POUR OFF VIALS. MARK VIALS EDTA PLASMA AND WRITE NAME OF TESTS ON TUBES.	FREEZE THE 2 VIALS
TGF-b1	52112	1 PRECHILLED LAV TUBE (PUT TUBE IN REFRIGERATOR PRIOR TO DRAW)	IMMEDIATELY SPIN THIS TUBE TWICE TO GET A PLATELET POOR SPECIMEN. SPIN ONCE AND ALIQUOT THE PLASMA OFF INTO A POUR OFF TUBE. BE CAREFUL NOT TO GET TOO CLOSE TO THE WHITE LAYER OF PLATELETS BETWEEN THE CELLS AND PLASMA. TAKE THE ALIQUOT AND SPIN THAT AGAIN. TAKE THE PLASMA OUT OF THIS VIAL AND PUT INTO ANOTHER ALIQUOT VIAL. BE CAREFUL NOT TO TOUCH BOTTOM OF TUBE AND POSSIBLY GET ANY PLATELETS THAT HAVE SETTLED THERE INTO THE FINAL SAMPLE. LABEL SAMPLE "PLATELET POOR EDTA" AND PUT TEST NAME ON SAMPLE SO IT IS NOT MIXED UP WITH THE SAMPLES FOR THE OTHER TESTS.	FREEZE PLASMA
ARGININE VASOPRESSIN	252	1 PRECHILLED LAV TUBE (PUT TUBE IN REFRIGERATOR PRIOR TO DRAW)	IMMEDIATELY SPIN THIS TUBE AND PUT PLASMA IN POUR OFF TUBE. WRITE EDTA PLASMA ON VIAL. WRITE TEST NAME ON VIAL.	FREEZE PLASMA
ACTH, PLASMA	211	1 LAV TUBE	IMMEDIATELY SPIN THIS TUBE AND PUT PLASMA IN POUR OFF TUBE. WRITE EDTA PLASMA ON VIAL. WRITE TEST NAME ON VIAL.	FREEZE PLASMA
OSMOLALITY, SERUM	677	SST TUBE	LET CLOT AND SPIN AS USUAL	ROOM TEMP
CORTISOL, TOTAL, SERUM	367	SST TUBE	LET CLOT AND SPIN AS USUAL	ROOM TEMP

TAKE SURE YOU SEND COPIES OF ALL THE PAPERWORK WITH EACH REQ. - ROOM TEMP AND FROZEN SPECS - SO THE LAB CAN SEE WHERE YOU GOT THE TEST ORDERS AND HOW YOU KNOW WHAT TO DRAW/PROCESS SAMPLES AND THAT SOME SHOULD GO TO BALTIMORE. PATIENT SHOULD REALLY BE DRAWN BETWEEN 7-10 AM FOR THE CORTISOL. WE WILL TAKE SAMPLE IF NOT, BUT IT MAY NOT BE ACURATE WITH NORMAL RANGES AND MD SHOULD INTERPRET CAREFULLY.

RAW 7 LAV TUBES 1 LG SST = SUBMIT 2 LAV ROOM TEMP, 1 SST ROOM TEMP AND 5 FROZEN EDTA PLASMA (2 DOUBLE SPUN AND 3 SPUN ONCE)