

Notification Date: August 5, 2022 Effective Date: Immediately

## Breast Carcinoma-Associated Antigen, Serum

**Test ID:** C2729

**Explanation:** Effective immediately, serum samples need to be aliquoted into a plastic vial within 2 hours of collection. **Specimens that have not been aliquoted will be canceled.** 

## **Current Specimen Required**

Collection Container/Tube: Preferred: Serum gel Acceptable: Red top

Submission Container/Tube: Plastic vial

**Specimen Volume:** 0.5 mL **Collection Instructions:** 

- 1. Serum gel tubes should be centrifuged within 2 hours of collection and the serum aliquoted into a plastic vial prior to sending (aliquot does not need to be within 2 hours).
- 2. Red-top tubes should be centrifuged and the serum aliquoted into a plastic vial within 2 hours of collection.
- 3. Send refrigerated.

## **New Specimen Required**

Collection Container/Tube: Preferred: Serum gel Acceptable: Red top

Submission Container/Tube: Plastic vial

**Specimen Volume:** 0.5 mL **Collection Instructions:** 

- 1. Centrifuge and aliquot serum into a plastic vial within 2 hours of collection. Specimens that have not been aliquoted will be canceled.
- 2. Send refrigerated.

## Questions

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