

Phenylalanine and Tyrosine, Blood Spot

Test ID: PKUBS

Explanation: On the effective date the Specimen Stability and Requirements will be updated.

Current Specimen Stability			
Specimen	Temperature	Time	Special Container
Whole blood	Ambient (preferred)	90 days	FILTER PAPER
	Frozen	90 days	FILTER PAPER
	Refrigerate	90 days	FILTER PAPER

New Specimen Stability			
Specimen	Temperature	Time	Special Container
Whole blood	Ambient (preferred)	21 days	FILTER PAPER
	Frozen	10 days	FILTER PAPER
	Refrigerate	10 days	FILTER PAPER

Current Specimen Required
<p>Preferred: Specimen Type: Blood spot Supplies: Card-Blood Spot Collection (Filter Paper) (T493) Container/Tube: Preferred: Blood Spot Collection Card Acceptable: Whatman Protein Saver 903 Paper, PerkinElmer 226 (formerly Ahlstrom 226) filter paper, Munktell filter paper, or blood collected in tubes containing heparin, ACD or EDTA and dried on filter paper. Acceptable: Specimen Type: Whole blood Container/Tube: Preferred: Lavender top (EDTA) Acceptable: Green top (sodium or lithium heparin) and yellow top (ACD) Specimen Volume: 2 mL Collection Instructions: Send whole blood specimen in original tube. Do not aliquot. Specimen Stability Information: Refrigerate (preferred) 4 days/Ambient 4 days</p>

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Questions

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