

## JOB AID

### LAB TESTS - PREFERRED CONTAINER AND SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

TEST NAME	Preferred	2nd	3rd & Special Instructions
Acetaminophen	Green Li Gel	Gold SST	
BHB (Beta-hydroxybutyrate)	Green Li Gel	Gold SST	
Alcohol (Ethanol)	Green Li Gel	Gold SST	
Alpha-Fetoprotein Tumor Marker	Gold SST	Green Li Gel	
Alpha-1-Antitrypsin	Gold SST	Green Li Gel	
Ammonia <b>*Send on Ice</b>	Green Li Gel	Green No-Gel	<b>*Send immediately on Ice</b>
Amylase	Green Li Gel	Gold SST	
ANA Screen	Gold SST	Gold SST	<b>Serum only</b>
BMP, CMP-Metabolic Panels	Green Li Gel	Gold SST	
pro-BNP - Brain Natriuretic Peptide	Green Li Gel	Gold SST	
B12 - Vitamin B12 <b>*Protect from light</b>	Gold SST	Green Li Gel	
Carbon Monoxide	Green Li Gel	Green No-Gel	<b>*Send immediately on ice</b>
Carbamazepine	Green Li Gel	Gold SST	
<b>CBC, H&amp;H, Retic, ESR (SED RATE)</b>	Lavender	Lavender	<b>*1 mL minimum</b>
Ceruloplasmin	Green Li Gel	Gold SST	
Cardiac Enzymes-CK,CKMB,Troponin	Green Li Gel	Gold SST	
Cold Agglutinin <b>*Place on heel warmer</b>	Red Non-Gel	Red Non-Gel	<b>Draw 2 tubes Send ASAP</b>
C-Reactive Protein, CRP/HS	Green Li Gel	Gold SST	
D-Dimer	Blue	Blue	
Digoxin, Dilantin (PTN),	Green Li Gel	Gold SST	
FSP/FDP (Fibrin Split Products)	Call Lab	Call Lab	<b>Special tube from lab</b>
Ferritin, Plasma or Serum	Green Li Gel	Gold SST	
Folate <b>*Protect from light</b>	Gold SST	Green Li Gel	<b>Spin and pour off, send frozen if &gt;8 hrs.</b>
Gentamicin	Green Li Gel	Gold SST	
Glucose, STAT	Green Li Gel	Gold SST	
HCGKIT, Qualitative (POS/NEG)	Gold SST	Gold SST	
HCGRFLX, Qual w/ reflex to Quant*	Green Li Gel	Gold SST	<b>*ED WILL COLLECT GREEN LI GEL</b>
HCG, Quantitative	Green Li Gel	Gold SST	
HCV <b>**special instructions</b>	Gold SST	Gold SST	<b>**AND FULL EDTA lavender tube (for confirmatory testing)</b>
Hepatic Function Panel (Liver)	Green Li Gel	Gold SST	
Hepatitis panel <b>**special instructions</b>	Gold SST	Red Non-Gel	<b>Serum: minimum 6 mL; **AND FULL EDTA lavender tube (for confirmatory testing)</b>
Hgb A1C	Lavender	Lavender	<b>Lavender Only *1 mL minimum</b>
HIV	Gold SST	Red Non-Gel	<b>Serum only *2 mL minimum</b>
Homocysteine <b>*Send on Ice</b>	Gold SST	Green Li Gel	<b>*Send immediately on Ice</b>
Immunoglobulins-A,E,G,M	Gold SST	Green Li Gel	
Ionized Calcium <b>*Send on Ice</b>	Green Li Gel	Green No-Gel	<b>*Send immediately on ice</b>
Iron & Transferrin, TIBC Panel	Green Li Gel	Gold SST	
Lactic Acid <b>*Send on Ice</b>	Green Li Gel	Gray NaFI	<b>*Send immediately on ice</b>
LDH (LD)	Green Li Gel	Gold SST	
Lipase	Green Li Gel	Gold SST	
Lipid Panel	Green Li Gel	Gold SST	
Lithium	Gold SST	Red Non-Gel	<b>Serum only</b>
Mononucleosis	Green Li Gel	Gold SST	<b>EDTA whole blood</b>
Osmolality	Green Li Gel	Gold SST	
Phenobarbitol	Green Li Gel	Gold SST	
Potassium, STAT	Green Li Gel	Gold SST	
Procalcitonin	Green Li Gel	Gold SST	<b>EDTA plasma (separated)</b>
Prothrombin Time PT, PTT, FIB	Blue	Blue	
PSA <b>*8 hour stability time</b>	Green Li Gel	Gold SST	<b>Spin and pour off, send frozen if &gt;8 hrs.</b>
Rheumatoid Factor	Gold SST	Green Li Gel	
RBC Folate	Lavender	Lavender	<b>Lavender Only</b>
Renal Function Panel	Green Li Gel	Gold SST	
RPR (VRDL)	Gold SST	Red Non-Gel	<b>Serum only</b>
Rubella, Rubeola	Gold SST	Red Non-Gel	<b>Serum only</b>
Salicylate	Green Li Gel	Gold SST	
Theophylline (Aminophylline)	Green Li Gel	Gold SST	
Thyroid Tests-TSH,TSHR,FT3,FT4,T4	Green Li Gel	Gold SST	
Thyroid Tests-T3	Gold SST	Red Non-Gel	<b>Serum only</b>
Tobramycin	Green Li Gel	Gold SST	
Type & Screen	BB Lavender	BB Lavender	<b>*Must put armband on sample &amp; patient</b>
Valproic Acid (Depakene)	Green Li Gel	Gold SST	<b>Spin and pour off, send frozen if &gt;8 hrs.</b>
Vancomycin - Trough or Peak	Green Li Gel	Gold SST	

Green Li Gel    Green No-Gel    Blue



BB Lavender



Lavender



Red Non-Gel    Gold Gel SST    Red Gel SST

