

Test Name

AST (SGOT)

Synonyms

AST, SGOT

Test Code

156

Specimen Type

Serum or plasma

Preferred Container

Serum separator tube (SST)

Alternate Container

Red or green (heparin)

Minimum Volume**Temperature/Stability**

Room temperature: 1 day or Refrigerated: 1 month

Handling

Separate serum/plasma from cells within 2 hours

Reject

Hemolysis (mild, moderate, gross), anticoagulants other than heparin