

**Test Name**

CALCIUM, TOTAL

**Synonyms**

CA, CALCIUM

**Test Code**

117

**Specimen Type**

Serum or plasma

**Preferred Container**

Serum separator tube (SST)

**Alternate Container**

red or green (heparin)

**Minimum Volume****Temperature/Stability**

Room Temperature: 7 days or Refrigerated: 22 days

**Handling**

Separate serum or plasma from cells as soon as possible

**Reject**

Anticoagulants other than heparin; grossly hemolyzed