

**Test Name**

GLUCOSE

**Synonyms****Test Code**

135

**Specimen Type**

Serum or plasma

**Preferred Container**

Serum separator tube (SST) or grey (sodium fluoride)

**Alternate Container**

red or green (heparin)

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

Room temperature: 8 hours or Refrigerated: 72 hours. Fluoride tube is stable up to 72 hours at room temperature.

**Handling**

Fasting or nonfasting. For fasting samples, blood should be drawn after an overnight fast (no caloric intake) for at least 8 hours, only water.

**Reject**

Grossly hemolyzed; blood stored overnight on clot