Order of Draw

VACUETTE® Blood Collection Tubes
based on CLSI GP41-ED7

1. Blood Culture
2. Sodium Citrate/CTAD*
3. Serum with and without Separator
4. Heparin with and without Separator
5. EDTA with and without Separator
6. Glycolytic Inhibitor
7. Other additives

* If a winged blood collection set is used, the first tube in the series will be under-filled. Therefore, if a Sodium Citrate specimen is drawn first, a discard tube (No Additive) is recommended to be drawn prior to this tube to ensure the proper additive-to-blood ratio. In addition, even though studies have shown that PT and aPTT tests are not affected if drawn first in a tube series, it is advisable to draw a second tube for other coagulation assays, since it is not known whether or not these tests will be affected.

NOTE: Always follow your facility’s protocol for order of draw.

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