

BD Vacutainer™ Systems

BD Diagnostics - Preanalytical Systems



Mixing Guidelines and Order of Draw

All BD Vacutainer™ tubes require immediate mixing following collection

Colour Code	Tube Type	Inversions
 Light Blue	Sodium Citrate	3-4 Times
 Black	Sodium Citrate ESR	8-10 Times
 Red	Serum/Plastic	5-6 Times
 Gold	S.S.T.™ II	5-6 Times
 Green	Lithium Heparin & PST™ II	8-10 Times
 Lavender	E.D.T.A.	8-10 Times
 Pink	Cross Match	8-10 Times
 Grey	Fluoride Oxalate	8-10 Times
 Royal Blue	Trace Element	8-10 Times

Insufficient mixing can result in inaccurate test results and the need to re-draw