



SPECIMEN COLLECTION AND SHIPPING INSTRUCTIONS

PLEASE DRAW BLOOD MONDAY – THURSDAY ONLY

Specimens must be shipped via your shipper the SAME DAY blood is drawn.

1. Fill out **ALCAT REQUISITION Form**.
2. Collect venous blood by venipuncture using **4-5 blue top vials** provided (3.8% sodium citrate, 4.5mL draw). Please use minimum **3** vials.
3. **Label each vial** with the patients name, date and time of collection.
4. Immediately and **gently invert the vials** several times to ensure proper mixing.
5. Place the vials into transport tube, then **place into safety bag. Seal the bag!**
6. Place the vials into the box provided. REQUISITION form MUST be returned to our lab with blood sample.
7. Complete the air bill.
8. Place specimen box into the envelope and seal tightly. **Up to 4 TESTKITS** may be placed in one shipping envelope.
9. **Call your shipper** for same day location.



Material for collecting & shipping venous blood: - blood draw material - blue top vials - transport tubes - safety bag - transportation box - requisition form - air bill - shipping envelope	Fill in fully 4-5 blue top vials and place in transport tube	SEAL the sample safely in the Biohazard Safety Bag! Fill in Lab REQUISITION form.	Place the sample in the transportation box - enclose REQUISITION form!	Use non-transparent envelope / air bill is provided for next day 12h delivery. Complete the air bill with filling in your address

Please remember to use Universal Precautions as the samples consist of Human Blood that can be potentially infected. All samples must be shipped in a safe manner to the laboratory and in compliance with required International regulations.