## BD Microtainer® Tubes with BD Microgard™ Closure

### Order of Draw

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Processing of Tubes

Why

- Most tubes contain an additive or clot activator that needs to be mixed with the blood sample.
- Tubes with anticoagulants such as EDTA need to be mixed to ensure the specimen does not clot.

How

- Holding tube upright, gently invert 180° and back.
- Repeat movement as prescribed for each tube.

When

- Immediately after collecting.

Consequences if not mixed

- Tubes with anticoagulants will clot.
- BD SST™ Tubes may not clot completely.
- Specimen will often need to be recollected.

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