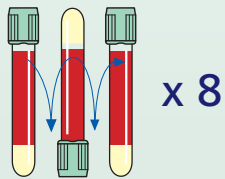


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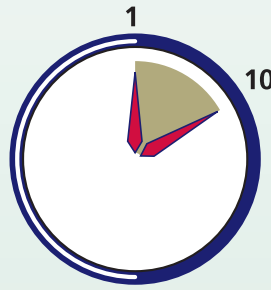
Using BD Vacutainer® PST™ Tubes

Invert
8-10
Times

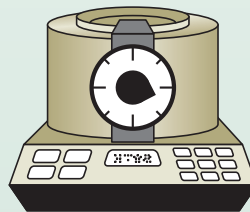


- Gently invert 8-10 times immediately after collection to mix lithium heparin anticoagulant with blood.
- Insufficient mixing may lead to microclot and fibrin strand formation.

Spin
10
Minutes

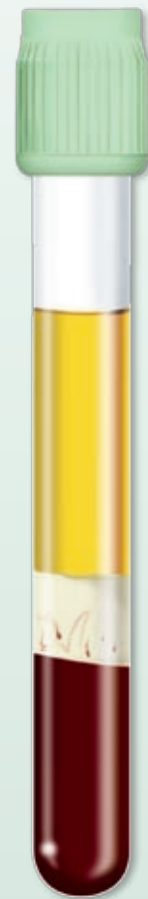


Centrifuge at
1100 - 1300g



- Centrifuge at full speed
1100 – 1300g for 13 mm Plus Plastic tubes
1000 – 1300g for 16 mm Plus Plastic tubes
for 10 minutes in a swing-bucket unit or
15 minutes for a fixed-angle unit
(balance tubes in centrifuge).
- Gel barrier will form to separate plasma from red blood cells.

Ready
for
Analysis



- Use in laboratory for plasma determinations in chemistry.

PST

BD Vacutainer® PST™ Tubes contain spray-coated lithium heparin and a gel for plasma separation. They are used for plasma determinations in chemistry.



Reference #	Tube Size (mm)	Draw Volume (mL)	Closure		Label type
			Type	Color	
367960 ✓	13x75	3.0			P
368056 NEW	13x75	3.0			P
367961	13x100	3.5			P
367962 ✓	13x100	4.5			P
367963	13x100	4.5			ST
367964 ✓	16x100	8.0			P

✓ = Best Practice Formulary

▲ BD CLINICAL ADVANTAGE:

BD Vacutainer® PST™ Tubes eliminate the need to wait for a clot to form, making it an ideal tube for STAT testing, as well as for patients receiving anticoagulant therapy. The BD Vacutainer® PST™ Tube still provides the convenience of gel separation with the added advantage of improved turnaround time.

To learn more about the full product offering of BD Vacutainer® Specimen Collection Products or the educational materials and services offered by **BD Diagnostics** - Preanalytical Systems, please contact your local BD Sales Consultant.

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