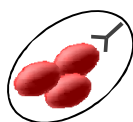


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Sample Requirements

ITP: AutoImmune thrombocytopenia

Test: Glycoprotein-specific anti-platelet antibody

(A Glycoprotein-Specific assay is used to measure platelet associated autoantibody)

Investigation for patients with ITP requires whole blood samples to test platelets directly for autoantibody to specific platelet glycoproteins.

Glycoprotein-specific antibody testing for patients with ITP has been shown to be more specific than methods that measure only total platelet associated antibodies¹.

1. Laboratory Investigation of immune thrombocytopenia. J Clin Pathol 1997, 50:5-12

Sample Required: Whole Blood - ACD or Sodium Citrate anticoagulant

Draw 30 mL venous blood into anticoagulant

Do NOT centrifuge

Transfer blood to plastic test tubes

Indicate patient information and anticoagulant on tube

Store and Ship at room temperature

Shipping: **Include Patient Data Form**

Ship Overnight using Courier

All shipment costs must be PREPAID by sender

Indicate on all documents and container: "Human Origin - Perishable"

Foreign shipments must have Customs documentation.

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