

# Tube guide

## Order of draw



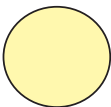
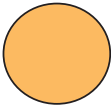






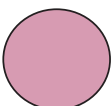


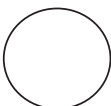


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### Special Instructions

- All tubes must be labelled with patient's full name, date of birth, date and time of collection, and collector's signature
- Never inject blood into the tube through a needle

- Completely fill tube and mix by gentle inversion immediately
- The sequence below is the order the evacuated tubes must be filled to prevent additive cross contamination.

| Top colour   | Tube content                  | Tests   |
|--|-------------------------------|---|
| <p>Blue</p>  <p>Paediatric Blue</p>            | Sodium Citrate                | All coagulation tests:<br>Prothrombin/INR, APTT,<br>Coagulation Profile (+EDTA)   |
| <p>Pale Yellow</p>    | ACD                           | HLA Tissue Typing   |
| <p>Gold</p>  <p>Paediatric Yellow</p>       | Gel                           | U & E, LFT, TFT, Chol/Trig, CRP, Hormones,<br>Fe Studies, $\beta$ HCG, Serology Tests (eg. HIV, Hep B),<br>Drug Levels, Tumour Markers, Enzymes, Troponin,<br>Vitamin D, Folate |
| <p>Green</p>  <p>Paediatric Green</p>      | Lithium Heparin               | Chromosomes, Lymphocyte<br>Surface Markers (+EDTA)  |
| <p>Navy Blue</p>    | Trace Metal free<br>EDTA tube | Metals:<br>eg. Aluminium, Zinc<br>Red Cell Magnesium<br>Whole Blood Lead, Mercury<br>PTH  |
| <p>Purple</p>  <p>Paediatric Lavender</p>  | EDTA 4ml                      | FBE, ESR, HbA1c, IM test  |
| <p>Pink</p>   | EDTA 6ml<br>Blood Bank only   | Blood Group, Antibody Screen,<br>Group & Hold, Cross Match,<br>Kleihauer (FMH)  |
| <p>Grey</p>  <p>Paediatric Grey</p>        | Fluoride<br>Oxalate           | Glucose, Lactate  |
| <p>White</p>    | 5ml PPT<br>K2EDTA tube        | Homocysteine  |