

## Guidelines for Specimen Collection and Labeling

**Instrument: Alpha Wassermann ACE Alera**

**TEST (TEST CODE): Apolipoprotein B (APOB)**

**COLLECTION INSTRUCTIONS:** Freshly drawn fasting specimen.

**SPECIMEN TYPE:** Whole Blood

**COLLECTION CONTAINER:** Gold top tube (SST)



**COLLECTION AMOUNTS:** Preferred: 2.0 mL  
Minimum: 1.0 mL

**REJECTION CRITERIA:** Hemolyzed specimens are unacceptable.

**COLLECTION TIMING:** Separate serum from cells ASAP or within 2 hours of collection.

**PROCESSING SPECIMENS:** **Serum**

**PROCESSED AMOUNTS:** Preferred: 1.0 mL  
Minimum: 0.5 mL

**PROCESSING INSTRUCTIONS:** Allow specimen to clot for 20-30 minutes. Centrifuge and immediately separate into transport tube.

<b>SPECIMEN STORAGE/STABILITY:</b>	<b>Temperature</b>	<b>Stability</b>
	Ambient	8 hour(s)
	Refrigerated	8 day(s)
	Frozen	3 month(s)

**SHIPPING INSTRUCTIONS:** Refrigerate specimen during transportation.

<b>REFERENCE INTERVAL:</b>	Female:	55 – 125 mg/dL
	Male:	55 – 140 mg/dL