

Rhogam Workup

Acceptable Tube Types



Alternate Name:		
Performing Lab:		New Hanover
Specimen Container:		7 mL pink or lavender top tube
Minimum Volume Required:	<u> </u>	3 mL
Testing Availability	Routine: Stat:	24 hours/day No
Turnaround Time:		4 hours
Special Handling:		Specimen should be collected AFTER delivery. Testing and administration of Rhogam should be within 72 hours of delivery.
Patient Preparation:		None
Specimen Stability:		
Reference Range:		Negative
		(If positive, the Kleihauer-Betke test will be performed to determine the number of vials of Rhogam to be administered.
Critical Value:		None
CPT Code:		
Testing Methodology:		Rosette Test
Causes for Specimen Rejec	tion:	Improper labeling Hemolysis Serum separator gel tube
Other Comments:		
Clinical Significance:		Rho(D) typing of expectant mothers may indicate potential for Rh hemolytic disease. This typing is also used to determine Rh immune globulin candidacy for prenatal and postpartum patients.