

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT

UPDATE

NOTIFICATION DATE: October 14, 2009

EFFECTIVE DATE: November 4, 2009

TOBRAMYCIN, PEAK/POST #84810

TOBRAMYCIN, RANDOM #81751

EXPLANATION: Effective November 4, 2009, plasma will no longer be acceptable as an alternate specimen type for these tests. Please continue to use the preferred serum specimen type.

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENTS: Draw blood in a plain, red-top tube(s). (**Serum gel tube is not acceptable.**) Spin down and send 1 mL of serum frozen in plastic vial. Serum for a peak level should be drawn 1 hour after completion of infusion of an intravenous dose or 2 hours after an intramuscular or oral dose of tobramycin. Serum for trough level is usually drawn 30 minutes before dose (order #81594 "Tobramycin, Trough").

QUESTIONS: Contact your Mayo Medical Laboratories' Regional Manager or
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