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**LYMPHOCYTE PROLIFERATION PANEL FOR MITOGENS AND
ANTIGENS
#89368**

EXPLANATION: Evaluation of the data gathered from recent internal Mayo Medical Laboratory comparison studies demonstrates that ACD whole blood results are no longer within acceptable limits as compared to the preferred sodium heparin whole blood specimen for lymphocyte proliferation analysis. Therefore, effective immediately, ACD specimens received for the above testing will be rejected.

SPECIMEN REQUIRED: Specimen must arrive within 24 hours of draw and by 10 a.m. on Friday. Send specimen Sunday through Thursday only.

Draw blood in a green-top (sodium heparin) tube(s), and send 15 mL of sodium heparin whole blood in original VACUTAINER(S). (**Lithium heparin and ACD are not acceptable.**) **Do not aliquot.** Forward promptly at ambient temperature only.

NOTE: 1. **Date and time of draw are required** on request form for processing.
2. For serial monitoring, we recommend that specimen draws be performed at the same time of day.

QUESTIONS: Contact your Mayo Medical Laboratories' Regional Manager
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