

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT

UPDATE

NOTIFICATION DATE: October 12, 2009

EFFECTIVE DATE: November 4, 2009

TACROLIMUS, BLOOD

#80783

SIROLIMUS, BLOOD

#81768

CYCLOSPORINE, BLOOD

#8931

EXPLANATION: Effective November 4, 2009, heparinized blood will no longer be acceptable as an alternate specimen type for these tests.

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENTS: Draw blood in a lavender-top (EDTA) tube(s) immediately before a scheduled dose. **Do not centrifuge.** Send 3 mL of EDTA whole blood refrigerated in original VACUTAINER(S).

Note: Therapeutic range applies to trough specimens drawn immediately prior to a.m. dose.

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