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SPECIMEN REQUIRED CHANGE
NOTIFICATION DATE: September 17, 2010
EFFECTIVE DATE: Immediately

CELL-BOUND PLATELET AUTOANTIBODY, SOLID PHASE, BLOOD #8937

EXPLANATION: Effective September 16, 2010, we changed our specimen requirement for test #8937, Cell Bound Platelet Autoantibody, from whole blood collected in yellow-top (ACD [solution B]), to the more readily-available lavender-top (EDTA). Anticoagulant types other than EDTA will not be accepted.

NOTE: This notice is intended to replace the announcement sent August 16th regarding this test. The announcement that was sent on August 16th had an incorrect specimen volume requirement.

NEW SPECIMEN REQUIREMENTS:
Container/Tube: Lavender-top (EDTA) tube(s)
Specimen Volume: 20 mL of refrigerated whole blood <48 hours old
Collection Instructions: The patient must have a platelet count >10 x 10(9)/L
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QUESTIONS: Contact your Mayo Medical Laboratories' Regional Manager or
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