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Information on sample preparation (serum) for the Nagalase-Test

The Nagalase-Test is performed on serum samples as originally described by Yamamoto and colleagues.

For the test a minimum of 1 ml of serum is required.

Whole blood is taken by venipuncture and serum is prepared by coagulation and subsequent centrifugation. <u>Ideally, the blood should be drawn from the patient under fasting conditions.</u>

To avoid the influence of transport-related hemolysis, the separated serum should be transferred into a neutral tube for transportation.

Please use water-proof ink to note the patients name and date of blood draw on this neutral tube.

IMPORTANT: Turbid sera (lipids?) and hemolytic sera (red staining) cannot be used for analysis.

Please send the serum with the completed test request form in a stable transport container by express mail to the following address:

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