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### Specimen Collection and Transportation Information

Test Name	Mnemonic	Section	Specimen Type
Sperm Antibody (wife's)	SPABW	Histopathology	Whole Blood / Serum

- **Preparation of the Patient:**

For semen collection follows a period of 3-4 days of abstinence

- **Type of Collection Container:**

Semen sample is collected in a wide mouth sterile plastic container. RED TOP  
Blood is collected in a yellow top gel tube

- **Types and Amounts of Preservatives or Anticoagulants:** NA

**Quantity of Specimen to be collected:** The lower limit for semen volume is 1.5ml,  
The average volume of semen sample is recommended 2-4 ml.

- **Minimum Quantity: 0.5-1.0 ml will be not acceptable because it's associated with infertility.**

- **Transportation Temperature:** 20°C-37 °C, Do not refrigerate, keep away from sunlight, deliver the specimen in lab within 20 minutes

- **Need for Special Timing for Collection (where applicable):** NA

- **Specimen Stability Information:** for semen specimens send the sample in the department on 1<sup>st</sup> priority

- **Special Instruction:** do not delay the samples send immediately to Andrology section

- **Rejection Criteria:**

- ✓ Hemo lysed sample of blood will be rejected.
- ✓ Urine sample instead of semen will be rejected.
- ✓ Wrong top bottle for blood collection.
- ✓ Quantity less than 01ml will not be acceptable.
- ✓ If leaked bottle received.
- ✓ Outside container for semen sample will be rejected.



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- **Need for Appropriate Clinical Data, When Indicated (Patient history):** questionnaire will be filled by patient at the front desk, with the help of qualified Medical Receptionist

Methodology	Reporting Scheme	Day Performed	Cut Off Time Main Lab	Cut Off Time Karachi Points	Cut Off Time Out of Karachi Points
a qualitative latex test	sample collection is 09:00am 02:00 pm on daily basis and in public holidays 09:00am-01:00pm	On daily basis Monday-Sunday including Public Holidays	0:01	10:00	Contact Nearest Collection Point