



### Specimen Collection and Transportation Information

Test Name	Mnemonic	Section	Specimen Type
Serum Prealbumin	SERUM-PALB	Clinical Chemistry	Serum

- **Preparation of the Patient:** Sample can be collected at any time however freshly drawn serum from a fasting individual is preferred.
- **Type of Collection Container:** Plain tube or Gel Tube ( yellow top)
- **Types and Amounts of Preservatives or Anticoagulants:** NA
- **Quantity of Specimen to be Collected:** 3-5cc
  - **Minimum Quantity:** 3cc
- **Transportation Temperature:** 18-25°C for 8 hours, 2-8 °C after 8 hours to 72 hours , after 72 hours at- 20C° or below.
- **Need for Special Timing for Collection (where applicable):** NA
- **Specimen Stability Information:** If the assay is performed within 72 hours of sample collection, the samples should be kept at 2-8°C; otherwise they should be aliquoted and stored deep-frozen at -20°C or below.
- **Special Instruction:** Sample can be collected at any time however freshly drawn serum from a fasting individual is preferred.
- **Rejection Criteria:** Wrong Tube, QNS, Grossly Hemolysed , Wrong identification,
- **Need for Appropriate Clinical Data, When Indicated (Patient history):** Not Required

Methodology	Reporting Scheme	Day Performed	Cut Off Time Main Lab	Cut Off Time Karachi Points	Cut Off Time Out of Karachi Points
Nephelometry	Next Working Day	Tuesday & Friday	12:01 am	12:01 am	12:01 am