Blue top tubes should be filled to a level between the upper and lower ends of the black arrow. Tubes should be mixed by gentle inversion immediately after drawing.



Sodium citrate microtainers should only be used for venous blood. The tube should be filled with 1.0 ml blood drawn with a syringe. There are 2 etched lines on the tube. (Lines are highlighted in black for visual purposes). The tube should be filled between these 2 lines (approximately 0.9 ml of blood) Tubes should be mixed after filling. Ensure that the blood actually moves from end to end in the tube.

