

# BD Vacutainer® Evacuated Discard Tube



**Use a discard tube** prior to collecting blood specimens for analysis **when...**

- ✓ **...using a winged blood collection set for venipuncture and a coagulation (citrate) tube is the first specimen tube to be drawn**



- **Fill the winged blood collection set tubing's dead-space with blood.** It is not necessary to completely fill the discard tube.

- ✓ **...drawing diagnostic blood specimens from a flushed line**



- **Non-Coagulation testing:** discard **two times** the dead-space volume of the line
- **Coagulation testing:** discard **5 mL or six times** the dead-space volume of the line

*As recommended by CLSI Guideline H3-A6. Always follow your facility's policies and procedures.*

For additional information, please contact your BD sales consultant or BD Technical Services at **1.866.979.9408**

**CAUTION:** Handle all biologic samples and blood collection "sharps" (lancets, needles, luer adapters, and blood collection sets) in accordance with the policies and procedures of your facility. Obtain appropriate medical attention in the event of any exposure to biologic samples (e.g., through a puncture injury) since samples may transmit viral hepatitis, HIV (AIDS), or other infectious diseases. Utilize any safety-engineered feature if the blood collection device provides one. Discard all blood collection "sharps" in biohazard containers approved for their disposal.

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