

# Guide for Phlebotomists

MELISA testing detects type IV hypersensitivity to metals.  
 This is a non-standard test which must be shipped to Germany and arrive within 48 hours by FedEx



- Your patient will have a test kit containing:
- 2-10 x blue top vacuette tubes (9ml)
  - 1 x red top serum tube (8ml)

### Paperwork for customs

- 3 x Commercial invoices
- Declaration of biological substances
- Letter from laboratory
- Airway bill – unless they have requested that the phlebotomist organizes this ([see shipping guide](#))



Tubes must be filled to the black fill line



Single red tube **only** should be spun for 10 minutes at 1800 - 2200 rcf/g



The blood samples should all be kept at room temperature

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