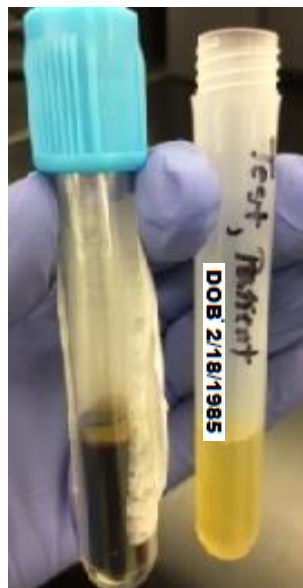


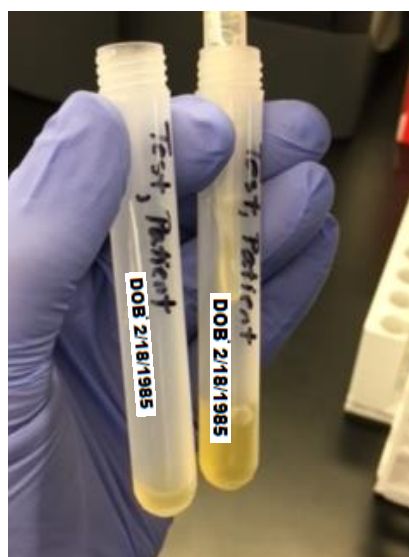
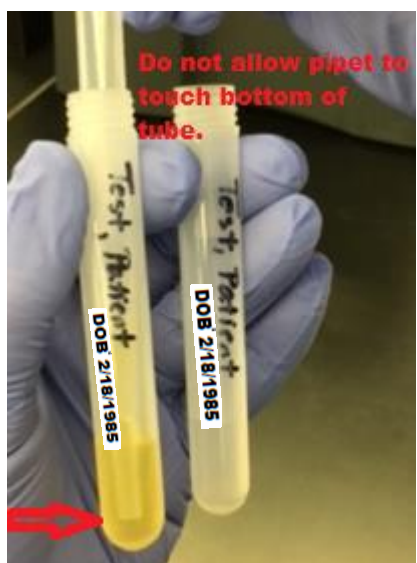
Double Centrifugation Instructions for Special Coagulation Testing

All specimens submitted for special coagulation testing **must** be prepared using the following “Double Centrifugation” technique to ensure the sample being tested is Platelet Poor Plasma.

- Centrifuge the Sodium Citrate tube at 1500g for 15 minutes.
- Transfer the plasma to a plastic tube with a plastic pipette, staying away from the buffy coat layer (the white layer made up of White Blood Cells and Platelets).



- Centrifuge the plasma portion again at 1500g for 15 minutes.
- With a new plastic pipette, transfer the plasma to another plastic tube, staying clear of the bottom of the tube where the platelets lie.



- Cap the second tube, label with patient’s name, date of birth, date and time of collection, and freeze.
If you have questions or would like additional information, please call the MML Coagulation Department for assistance: (810)396-5710