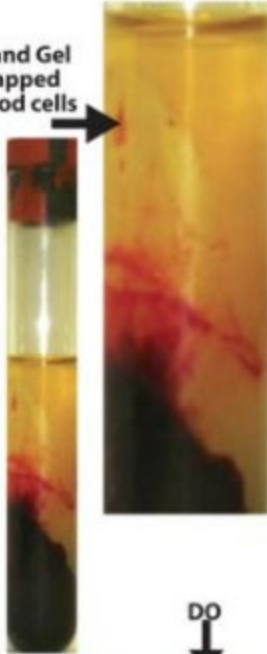


Poor / Undesirable Specimen

Fibrin and Gel with trapped red blood cells



**Achieving the
"Preferred Specimen"**

1. Invert tubes 8-10 times.
Insufficient mixing of tubes with separator gel can interfere with barrier formation, causing gel material to remain in the serum layer.
2. Serum Separator Tubes should clot for a minimum of 30 minutes in a vertical position prior to centrifugation. Inadequate clotting times will result in fibrin formation.
3. Centrifuge Serum Separator Tubes for a full 15 minutes.

Preferred Specimen



DO

Proper Labeling Technique

DON'T

