

# BD Vacutainer® EDTA Tubes

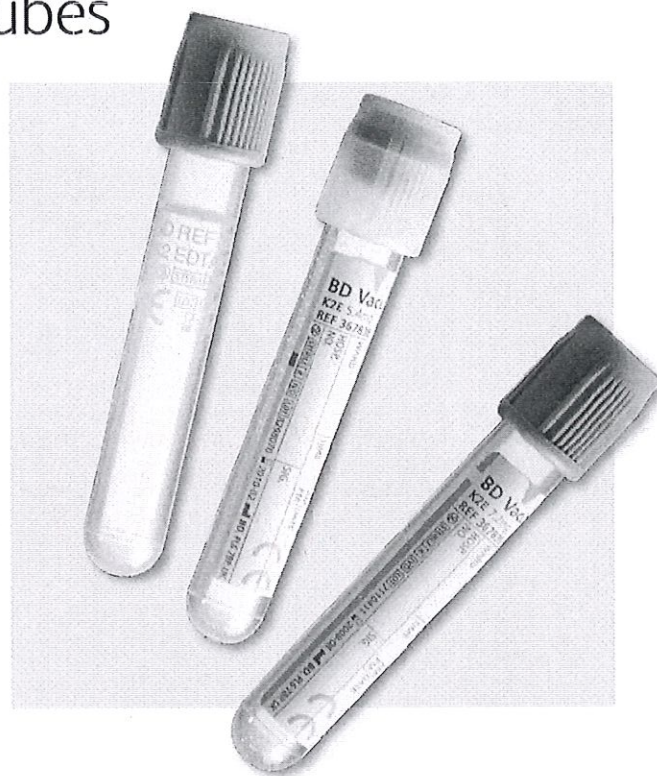
## EDTA

EDTA salts (ethylene diamine tetra acetic acid) are used for the anticoagulation of whole blood for hematological investigations as the cellular components of the blood are particularly well preserved by EDTA. It works as an anticoagulant as it forms complexes with metal ions such as calcium, therefore inhibiting the coagulation cascade. Anticoagulation with EDTA is irreversible.

The EDTA concentration in BD Vacutainer® tubes is 1.8 mg per mL of complete blood when the fill level is correct, as recommended by the ICSH (International Council Society of Hematology)<sup>1</sup> and the CLSI (Clinical and Laboratory Standards Institute).

## Mixing the tube

Correct mixing (8-10 inversions) of the EDTA tube immediately after the blood sample has been taken is extremely important to avoid microclotting.



## Product information

Cat No.	Volume (ml)	Size (mm)	Additive	Material	Label	Closure
367841	2	13x75	K <sub>2</sub> EDTA 3.6 mg	PET	Paper	
368841	2	13x75	K <sub>2</sub> EDTA 3.6 mg	PET	Paper	
368274	2	13x75	K <sub>2</sub> EDTA 3.6 mg	PET	See Through	
367858	2	13x75	K <sub>2</sub> EDTA 3.6 mg	PET	See Through	
367856	3	13x75	K <sub>2</sub> EDTA 5.4 mg	PET	Paper	
368499	3	13x75	K <sub>2</sub> EDTA 5.4 mg	PET	See Through	
368857	3	13x75	K <sub>3</sub> EDTA 5.4 mg	PET	Block	
367838	3	13x75	K <sub>2</sub> EDTA 5.4 mg	PET	Block	
367861	4	13x75	K <sub>2</sub> EDTA 7.2 mg	PET	Paper	
367844	4	13x75	K <sub>2</sub> EDTA 7.2 mg	PET	Paper	
367862	4	13x75	K <sub>2</sub> EDTA 7.2 mg	PET	See Through	
367839	4	13x75	K <sub>2</sub> EDTA 7.2 mg	PET	Block	
367863	6	13x100	K <sub>2</sub> EDTA 10.8 mg	PET	Paper	
365900	6	13x100	K <sub>2</sub> EDTA 10.8 mg	PET	See Through	
367525	10	16x100	K <sub>2</sub> EDTA 18.0 mg	PET	Paper	
366643	10	16x100	K <sub>2</sub> EDTA 18.0 mg	PET	See Through	

All tubes are supplied in boxes of 100 / cases of 1000.

