



## News Release

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### **Streck first to offer safety-coated ESR-Vacuum Tubes™**

Streck introduces a new safety-coated ESR-Vacuum Tube for Erythrocyte Sedimentation Rate determination on the ESR-Auto Plus™ and ESR-100™ analyzers and the ESR-10 Manual Rack.

The new safety-coated tube is the first vacuum ESR blood collection tube that offers the safety characteristics of plastic and the performance and stability of glass. Many laboratories are taking steps to reduce or eliminate the use of glass blood collection tubes. Safety-coated ESR-Vacuum Tubes provide a safer blood collection option for those laboratories.

Safety-coated tubes minimize exposure to potentially hazardous blood specimens. Specialized drop testing showed that the safety tubes exhibited significantly less breakage than standard tubes. In the event of tube breakage, the Mylar® coating on the safety tube contains the broken glass and tube contents.

Streck ESR-Vacuum Tubes offer convenience and stability. Patient specimens are collected, mixed, and placed directly into the ESR instrument or rack. Technologists are able to store them for up to 72 hours at refrigerated temperatures without compromising the integrity of the sample. This extended stability is especially useful for facilities transporting patient samples to a centralized location for analysis. Streck also offers standard glass ESR-Vacuum Tubes and ESR-Vacuum Tubes for higher altitude locations.

ESR-Vacuum Tubes are available in 1.2ml and 2.0ml draw configurations.

Over the past 30 years, Streck has developed a reputation for excellence that includes consistent, high quality products and responsive customer service and technical service teams. For more information, call 800-843-0912 or consult Streck online at [www.streck.com](http://www.streck.com).