

Bleeding Time

The Bleeding Time test is not recommended for the evaluation of coagulation due to difficulties standardizing the test conditions and lack of definitive clinical utility. St. John Providence Laboratories will no longer be performing the test as of 5/23/2016.

The recommended alternative testing for platelet disorders are either the **Platelet Aggregation Study or Platelet Function Assay (PFA) test.**

The Platelet Aggregation Study requires advance scheduling and the patient's presence at St. John Hospital & Medical Center, located at 22101 Moross, Detroit, MI 48236. To schedule a Platelet Aggregation Study, please contact the Laboratory Phone Bank at (313)343-3500.

The PFA test is performed at St. John Providence Laboratory in Southfield and Novi, and the sample can be drawn at any phlebotomy site in 2-blue top tube (sodium citrate), but must be delivered to that laboratory within 4 hours. Our staff will be happy to facilitate the handling of such specimens.