

## Isolator Tubes to be Discontinued as Culture Collection Vials

Due to our manufacturer discontinuing isolator tubes, we are transitioning to a Sodium Heparin tube (Green top) for the collection of Fungal and AFB blood cultures. Sodium Heparin tubes have been added as a valid collection vial for these tests in Epic and in our Joint Test Catalog (JTC). Please collect separate tubes for each test ordered (i.e. 1 tube for blood fungal and 1 tube for blood AFB, if needed). Existing isolator tubes may be used until they expire. Once they have expired, discard and begin using the Sodium Heparin tubes to collect these tests.

Affected Orderable	Epic Code	Atlas Code	Mayo Access ID	Order LOINC
Fungus Culture, Blood	LAB2535	BFC	FAH5266	601-5
AFB Culture, Blood	LAB246	BTC	FAH5267	533-0

Please reach out to the UVMCC Microbiology lab, (802)847-2339, with any questions.

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