

Lab Alert

Blood Culture Bottle Shortage- UPDATE



January 2025

In response to the nationwide shortage for blood culture bottles, BD has reintroduces glass bottles for the anaerobic media only. Starting January 2, 2025, Nebraska Methodist Hospital will supply our clients with the new BD BACTEC Lytic Anaerobic media in glass. The aerobic media will remain in plastic bottles.

You should follow normal collection protocols and take extra precautions when handling glass bottles to avoid brakeage during collection and transport.

Please direct any questions to:
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