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Bacterial and Fungal Culture Collection – Sample Rejection

As of 5/1, the Microbiology Laboratory will no longer be accepting red-capped dual dacron swabs and mini-tip dacron swabs.



The Elution Swabs™ (ESwab) have replaced this collection method for patient specimens for bacterial and fungal culture. This conversion has taken place over the past six months.

If samples are received in the laboratory for bacterial and fungal culture collected on any other swab collection media besides the ESwab, they will be **rejected** and patient specimen **recollection** will be required.

Questions regarding proper specimen collection may be directed to the Clinical Microbiology Laboratory at 585-275-7801.

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