
LAB ALERT

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Lab Alert: Culture Collection Supply Change to E-Swab

Dear Regional Pathology Services Clients,

We are pleased to introduce a new transport media option from our supply department. The Copan Liquid Amies Elution Swab (ESwab) is a multi-purpose collection and transportation system that maintains the viability of a variety of microorganisms in clinical specimens for up to 48 hours at room or refrigerated temperatures. The ESwab has demonstrated equivalent if not superior performance when compared to other transport medium systems, based on manufacturer and in-house evaluations, and is similar in cost to other culturette swabs while delivering a broader functionality.

The specialized flocced swab elutes the specimen into the liquid Amies transport media which leads to more consistent sample delivery across different culture plates and multiple tests. Specimens submitted in this medium can be used for aerobic, anaerobic, Mycoplasma, Ureaplasma and fungal cultures.

[E-Swab Instructions](#)



The E-Swab will be replacing the Anaerobic Glass Culturette shown below effective immediately and can be used in place of the red culturette swabs used for aerobic collections.



If you have any questions or issues please contact client services at 402-559-6420 and ask to speak with one of the client coordinators.