

**Lab Alert—Reflex Lactic Acid Order**

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| **Effective Date:** | Wednesday, May 24 |
| **New Process:** | If the lab cancels a lactic acid and needs to reorder it, you must reorder the lactic acid code that was in the initial order.* Order LACT if LACT was cancelled
* Order RLACT if RLACT was cancelled
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| **Test Affected:** | Lactate |
| **Background Information:** | Lactate is used as a marker for sepsis. Lactate levels are an indicator of the patient’s prognosis. If the initial lactate is >2.0, a second lactate order is reflexed from Cerner.Historically, when the lab canceled and reordered a lactate test. Cerner did not recognize the new order therefore reflex was not generated.The new order ensures generation of the reflex order on Cerner.  |