



## STANDARDIZED TESTING / OPERATING PROTOCOL REQUEST/ANNOUNCEMENT

## Grinding Tissues in Thioglycolate Broth

Description:	Microbiology will begin grinding tissue specimens for culture in thioglycolate broth
	instead of sterile saline.
Implementation Date:	May 31 <sup>st</sup> , 2017 at 10:00 am
Performing Locations:	Click on the boxes that apply:
	⊠Alamance Regional
	⊠Annie Penn Hospital
	⊠Moses Cone Hospital
	☐Med Center at High Point
	⊠Wesley Long Hospital
	□Women's Hospital
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	Click on the boxes that apply:
Affected Departments:	
	□Blood Bank
	□Cytology
	□Flow Cytometry
	□Histology
	⊠Microbiology
	□Phlebotomy
	□Point of Care
	□Rapid Response Lab
	☐Respiratory Therapy
	□Specimen Processing
Specimen Type:	Tissue Specimens
Updated Clinical Lab Procedures:	MICRO-2047-CH Preparing a Tissue Specimen for Gram Staining or Culture

Retired Clinical Lab Procedures:	NA
Notification to Client:	Click on the boxes that apply:  Section Not Applicable  Memo Needed  Distribution of Memo:  Medical Staff  Allied Health Professionals (PA, Nurse Practioners)  Anesthesia  Annie Penn (Primary Source Physicians)  Dentist  Emergency Department/Urgent Care Centers  Family Practice  Infectious Docs #ID Docs (John Campbell, Robert Comer, Jeffrey Hatcher, Cynthia Snider, Kees Van Dam)  OB/GYN  Pathology  Pediatricians  Psych  Radiology  Surgery  #Nursing Leadership (Directors, Asst. Directors, Clinical Nurse Manager)  Pharmacy - Send to DeAnne Brooks & Jim Hasspacher  #IM Residents  Kim Helsabeck  Phlebotomy Managers and Supervisors  Point of Care: Sheila, Kim & Marty
Accreditation Section:	Click on the boxes that apply:  Section Not Applicable  □CAP Test menu change needed  □CMS Analyte form change needed  □Proficiency Testing surveys changes needed or ordered
Laboratory IT section:	Click box and type needed changes/additions:  Section Not Applicable  □LIS changes  □Reference range change/addition  □Technical Failure change/addition  □Critical Value change/add

	☐Text comments needed
	☐ Specimen collection instructions
	□Need to monitor TAT
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Technical Staff Update:	Sterile thioglycolate broth will now be used to grind tissue. This is due to the potential of contamination of saline when aliquotting and storing.
	Once a vial of thioglycolate is opened, the remainder will be discarded. Do <u>not</u> save extra for future specimens.
	Thioglycolate broth may be obtained by contacting MC microbiology lab. A few vials will be sent via courier to requesting location.
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