

Changes to Urine Collection.

Due to supply issues with the current bottles used for Urine Microscopy and Culture, Microbiology will be changing to the Urine Monovette® from June 2025.

Please see the letter provided below from the company which details the change, and information on training to be provided to all users from the end of May until the implementation date at the end of June.



Red topped urine bottles currently supplied expire 30.6.25 but should be used until that date. Paediatric bottles in a smaller size will also be provided. When available to order the new products will be added to the Pathology supplies order form.



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Re: Urine Monovette®

Dear Sir/Madam,

Leeds Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust will soon be introducing a new system for collecting urine samples called the **Urine Monovette®**. This change will apply to all hospitals, GP practices, and community sites linked with the Trust.

Why the change?

This is part of a safety improvement project:

- **Cleaner and safer urine collection** – no more pouring between containers.
- **Reduces the risk** of sample contamination.
- **Faster lab processing** and more reliable results.
- **Better supply chain** with a trusted manufacturer.

What is the Urine Monovette®?

- A **needle-free, all-in-one system** for collecting and testing urine.
- Safer for patients and staff.
- Helps protect sensitive parts of the urine sample (like sediment) for accurate testing.
- Works with common urine test strips and automated lab systems.

What to expect – key dates

- Training for **all staff** will begin **at the end of May**.
- You'll receive:
 - Hands-on training from SARSTEDT (the supplier),
 - User guides and videos,
 - Initial product supplies.
- **Keep using your current red-top containers until 30th June 2025.**
- After training, you can start using the new Urine Monovette® system.

Support

- SARSTEDT will provide **ongoing training and technical support**.
- Staff in hospitals, GP practices, and community sites will receive full guidance before switching over.

If you have any questions, speak to your team lead or contact the project team.

Important points to remember:

- **Must fill to the line**
- **Samples are for Microbiology only - including tests such as Urine Microscopy and Culture**

NHS Supply Chain Code	Description
KTH123	Urine Monovette Boric Acid with collection tip
KBZ899	Open urine cup

Your SARSTEDT team