



MEMORANDUM #183

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SUBJECT: Change in Collection Kits for the Quantiferon TB Gold Assay

Due to a manufacturer change, the Immunology lab will no longer accept 3-tube collection kits for testing by the QuantiFERON® TB Gold assay. The replacement assay, QuantiFERON® TB Gold Plus, is currently being used in the laboratory and requires sample collection with the designated 4-tube collection kit. The QuantiFERON® TB Gold Plus test is orderable as LAB5902A. Preference and Facility lists will be updated for the change as of February 1, 2019. Four-tube collection kits can be obtained by Outreach Services, 984-974-1810.

Please contact the Immunology Laboratory with concerns or questions at 984-974-1815.