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Pathlab are changing from the 6mL Greiner VACUETTE yellow top urine Z tubes (no additives) to BD tan top urine tubes (no additives) for biochemistry urine tests (e.g. Microalbumin; Protein/Creatinine Ratio, etc.) The BD tan top urine tubes are the current tube required for Microbiology testing.

	BIOCHEMISTRY TESTS (e.g. Microalbumin; Protein / Creatinine Ratio)	MICROBIOLOGY TESTS (e.g. Microscopy / Culture / Sensitivity)
CURRENT PRACTICE	Greiner VACUETTE yellow top urine Z tube	BD tan top Urine tubes
NEW PRACTICE	BD tan top Urine tubes	BD tan top Urine tubes

Please exhaust your existing stock of VACUTETTE yellow top urine Z tube, before switching to the BD tan top urine tubes for Biochemistry urine tests. You can order the BD tan top urine tubes as per your normal ordering procedure; or refer to <u>www.pathlab.co.nz/supplies</u>

Please note if you request both biochemistry test(s) and Microbiology test(s), please ensure to use 2x BD tan top urine tubes.

Thank you for your assistance in the change of urine tubes. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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