

Legacy Laboratory Services

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An Important Update from Legacy Laboratory Services

Synovial Fluid Cultures

Cutibacterium species (formerly *Propionibacterium* species) are an important cause of joint infections. For the optimal recovery of *Cutibacterium*, cultures should be held for 14 days. Effective 8/5/19 Legacy Microbiology will be incubating all synovial fluid cultures for 14 days.

Reference: Clinical and Biological Features of *Cutibacterium avidum*, an Underrecognized Microorganism, Stephane Corvec, Clinical Microbiology Reviews, ASM. 6/2018.

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