

Technical Bulletin

Acceptable Fecal Occult Blood Collection Devices

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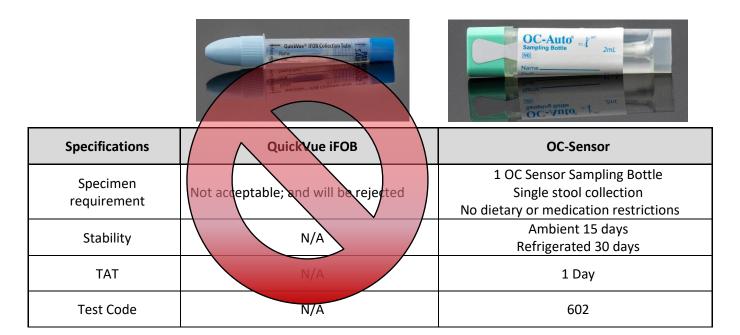
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SUBJECT: Acceptable collection devices for fecal occult blood testing

The Fecal Occult Blood collection device was changed from the QuickVue iFOB Collection Tube to the OC-Sensor Sampling Bottle on April 17, 2023. This change streamlined testing in the laboratory by using an automated process with the OC-Sensor. There was also an improved limit of detection at 20 µg hHb/g stool, which was 2.5 times more sensitive than the previous product (QuickVue iFOB was 50 µg hHb/g stool).

During a lengthy transition period of 15 months, DLS accepted the old collectors; however, as of August 1, 2024, <u>old collectors will no longer be accepted</u>. DLS has not supplied old QuickVue collectors and supplies should be exhausted. Acceptable OC-Sensor collection devices are available from your DLS marketing representative.



Please refer any questions to Tori Enomoto, Manager - DLS Microbiology Lab at 808-441-5470, or DLS Client Services at 808-589-5101.