



# Meritus Medical Laboratory

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Dear Physicians,

Meritus Medical Lab is pleased to announce the launch of their new SQA-Vision Semen Analysis Analyzer on September 21, 2020. This new analyzer will offer highly accurate, standardized results with a rapid turnaround time for fertility and post vasectomy semen analysis. As part of this transition, the laboratory will begin using WHO 5<sup>th</sup> Edition reference ranges and sperm morphology grading criteria. Fertility reports will now include new parameters to include WBC concentration and sperm velocity.

In accordance with American Urological Association recommendations, post vasectomy semen analysis will no longer be performed on concentrated centrifuged specimens. All post vasectomy specimens will be tested uncentrifuged. Also, sperm will be reported as a numeric concentration rather than our previous report of presence or absence. The lab will continue to accept post vasectomy specimens up to 24 hours post collection in either plastic or glass containers, although, plastic containers and delayed delivery to the lab may affect any motility in these specimens. For best results, patients should be advised to use a glass specimen container and deliver their specimen to the lab as soon as possible post collection.

Fertility specimens, however, will only be accepted in glass specimen containers. Fertility testing will continue to be by appointment at Suite 230, Monday through Saturday 8AM to 1PM. Please contact Meritus Medical Laboratory at 301-665-4900 with any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "John G. Newby, M.D.", with a stylized flourish at the end.

John G. Newby, M.D.  
Meritus Medical Laboratory Medical Director