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Do you want full marks for specimen testing this year?

You've got all the latest equipment for testing microbiological specimens.

You have the most capable and highly motivated biomedical scientists.

So are you going to compromise with inferior swabs to bring in the specimens? After all, as they say, "rubbish in ...rubbish out!"

CLSI's M40-A standard provides the definitive method to ensure your swabs are up to the task.

Swabs are tested with 10 defined ATCC strains of bacteria (aerobes, anaerobes and fastidious) to show that over the holding period and under ambient or refrigerated conditions, levels are maintained without a loss of more than 3 logs or increase of more than 1 log.

Medical Wire Transwabs® (gel medium) and Sigma Transwabs® (liquid medium) are fully M40 compliant. These are our standard product. We don't believe you should have to pay extra for swabs that do what swabs are supposed to do!

We've got 10 out of 10! Will your swabs get full marks?

M40 Test Organism	M40 Requirement	MWE SCORE	YOUR SWABS??
<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i> (ATCC® BAA-427)	<b>NO OVERGROWTH!!</b>	<b>PASS</b>	<b>?</b>
<i>Streptococcus pyogenes</i> (ATCC® 19615)	48 hours recovery	<b>PASS</b>	<b>?</b>
<i>Streptococcus pneumoniae</i> (ATCC® 6305)	48 hours recovery	<b>PASS</b>	<b>?</b>
<i>Haemophilus influenzae</i> (ATCC® 10211)	48 hours recovery	<b>PASS</b>	<b>?</b>
<i>Bacteroides fragilis</i> (ATCC® 25285)	48 hours recovery	<b>PASS</b>	<b>?</b>
<i>Peptostreptococcus anaerobius</i> (ATCC® 27337)	48 hours recovery	<b>PASS</b>	<b>?</b>
<i>Fusobacterium nucleatum</i> (ATCC® 25586)	48 hours recovery	<b>PASS</b>	<b>?</b>
<i>Prevotella melaninogenica</i> (ATCC® 25845)	48 hours recovery	<b>PASS</b>	<b>?</b>
<i>Propionibacterium acnes</i> (ATCC® 6919)	48 hours recovery	<b>PASS</b>	<b>?</b>
<i>Neisseria gonorrhoeae</i> (ATCC® 43069)	24 hours recovery	<b>PASS</b>	<b>?</b>
<b>Overall Score</b>		<b>10/10</b>	<b>?</b>

