

Obsolescence of Rocket[®] FBS Kits Containing Glass Tubes

Dear Customer,

Following on from our earlier communications on the subject, Rocket Medical confirms that it is no longer manufacturing FBS kits containing glass tubes. As a reminder, this action was initiated for three reasons:

- the migration of users over to modern blood gas analysers, requiring small volume, plastic capillary tubes
- safety concerns around the use of glass (Health and Safety (Sharps Instruments in Healthcare) Regulations 2013)
- regulatory changes concerning IVD's, introduced as part of the Medical Device Regulation (EU) 2017/745 and the In-vitro Diagnostic Medical Devices Regulation (EU) 2017/746 which introduced increased risk classifications for IVD medical devices

Whilst we are no longer manufacturing these products, limited stock remains available for purchase on a first come, first served basis. We apologise for any inconvenience that this may cause.

The following product codes are affected:

Stock code	Description
R57012	Rocket FBS Kit, 3 x Straight, Glass Capillaries, 5 x 75µl Plastic Capillaries
R57012-00-SW	Rocket FBS Kit, 3 x Straight, Glass Capillaries, 5 x 75µl Plastic Capillaries, Sampling Wand
R57013	Rocket FBS Kit, 3 x Angled, Glass Capillaries, 5 x 75µl Plastic Capillaries
R57013-00-SW	Rocket FBS Kit, 3 x Angled, Glass Capillaries, 5 x 75µl Plastic Capillaries, Sampling Wand

Rocket Medical offers a range of FBS kits with plastic capillaries, suitable for a range of analysers. Please contact your local Rocket Medical representative for further information. You can also contact our Customer Services Team for further assistance:

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