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To: Directors of Clinical Laboratories
Directors of Transfusion Services

Subject: **Terumo IMUGARD Pooled Platelets**

LifeSouth is implementing use of the Terumo IMUGARD WB PLT Platelet Pooling Set to prepare pooled platelets. The Terumo IMUGARD WB PLT Platelet Pooling Set has been approved by the FDA for platelet storage up to day 7 in the Terumo BCT ELP storage bag when used with FDA-cleared or approved bacterial detection tests. To prepare pooled platelet components with a 7-day expiration, LifeSouth will perform bacterial detection testing using large volume, delayed sampling (LVDS) no sooner than 48 hours. In rare circumstances (e.g., due to urgent need), LifeSouth may sample pooled platelets prepared using the Terumo IMUGARD WB PLT Platelet Pooling Set for bacterial detection testing prior to 48 hours resulting in products with a 5-day expiration (LVDS no sooner than 36 hours) or a 3-day expiration (primary culture no sooner than 24 hours).

Product Codes

The following table includes the ISBT component codes currently assigned to pooled platelet products prepared using the Terumo IMUGARD WB PLT Platelet Pooling Set. Your computer system should be able to accept these products.

Code	ISBT 128 Description	Expiry
EA790	POOLED PLATELETS CPD/XX/20-24C ResLeu:<5E6 5 units Bacterial monitoring	7 days
EA793	POOLED PLATELETS CPD/XX/20-24C Irradiated ResLeu:<5E6 5 units Bacterial monitoring	7 days
E7150	POOLED PLATELETS CP2D/XX/20-24C ResLeu:<5E6 5 units Bacterial monitoring	7 days
EB024	POOLED PLATELETS CP2D/XX/20-24C Irradiated ResLeu:<5E6 5 units Bacterial monitoring	7 days
EA046	POOLED PLATELETS CPD/XX/20-24C ResLeu:<5E6 5 units Bacterial monitoring >=36h	5 days
EA554	POOLED PLATELETS CPD/XX/20-24C Irradiated ResLeu:<5E6 5 units Bacterial monitoring >=36h	5 days
EA966	POOLED PLATELETS CP2D/XX/20-24C ResLeu:<5E6 5 units Bacterial monitoring >=36h	5 days
EA967	POOLED PLATELETS CP2D/XX/20-24C Irradiated ResLeu:<5E6 5 units Bacterial monitoring >=36h	5 days
EA005	POOLED PLATELETS CPD/XX/20-24C ResLeu:<5E6 5 units Bacterial monitoring >=24h	3 days
EA552	POOLED PLATELETS CPD/XX/20-24C Irradiated ResLeu:<5E6 5 units Bacterial monitoring >=24h	3 days
EA964	POOLED PLATELETS CP2D/XX/20-24C ResLeu:<5E6 5 units Bacterial monitoring >=24h	3 days
EA965	POOLED PLATELETS CP2D/XX/20-24C Irradiated ResLeu:<5E6 5 units Bacterial monitoring >=24h	3 days

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