

IMPORTANT BULLETIN



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New Artificial Urine Detected

The Certifying Scientists at STERLING have seen an increase in a new artificial urine substitute that started to appear in mid to late November, and continues to be seen in increasing numbers. The initial observation was a large number of specimens with no detectable creatinine, and specific gravities of 1.011. By all criteria this new artificial urine is not a very good product. Appearance wise, the artificial urine looks remarkably normal in color, but, they do not have any discernible odor and they do not display “foaming” when shaken. The biochemical findings are remarkable in that there is no detectable creatinine, most of the specific gravity determinations were 1.011 with a range between 1.008 and 1.012, and none of these specimens have any detectable analyte that is measured in the Artificial Urine Test (AUT). The pHs are in the normal range, approximately 7.0 to 7.4. The temperature indicator in all cases registered in the acceptable range. Most of the specimens were from “non-observed” collections. We have not yet been able to determine the identity or the source of this product. The majority of specimens that we have encountered have been collected in the North Puget Sound region, north of Seattle and King County, in Washington State. If anyone has any knowledge of this new product, the staff at STERLING would be most appreciative if you contacted us with information.

For further information please contact Dr. Bert Toivola, Jim Heit or any of the other certifying scientists.

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