

**URGENT  
FIELD SAFETY NOTICE**

August 7 2014

<b>PRODUCT NAME</b>	<b>Cat. Number</b>
BD EpiCenter™ v6.12A, v6.20A, v6.40A (used in conjunction with MALDI BioTyper)	441007

Dear Microbiology Lab Manager,

Since 2011, BD has been able to support your lab workflow by providing automated integration of Bruker's MALDI BioTyper organism identification results through BD EpiCenter, combining these results with BD Phoenix™ drug susceptibility results within a single ID/AST workflow.

During this period, Bruker released updates to the MALDI BioTyper MSP database where organism naming changes have been implemented. BD was unaware of these changes and consequently did not implement corresponding changes to the BD EpiCenter database. Corrective measures have been implemented to address this issue.

If a MALDI BioTyper MSP database was updated after the initial interfacing to BD EpiCenter, inconsistent organism naming may be observed between the BD EpiCenter and Bruker MALDI BioTyper software for a very limited number of organisms.

BD has performed an analysis of the changes and determined that these inconsistencies either have no relevance to human care (relevant only to plant or animal infection) or have limited impact to human care due to no claims for ID or AST in the BD Phoenix System. The changes to the Bruker MSP database with limited potential for clinical relevance are:

- *Pasteurella bettyae* to *Pseudomonas sp.* The impact is limited and would be observed as suppressed AST results due to no claims for the organism taxonomy in BD Phoenix.
- *Anaerococcus vaginalis* and *Anaerococcus hydrogenalis*. These are both anaerobic organisms for which BD has no claims for ID/AST.

BD has developed a tool that will update the relevant data to ensure consistency between the MALDI BioTyper and BD EpiCenter systems after a Bruker MSP database change. This tool will be run by a BD Technical Service representative or can be applied through a remote connection. Log files detailing the nature of the database maintenance applied are available upon request.

Our records indicate you have a BD EpiCenter instrument that may be impacted by this organism naming inconsistency. A BD representative will contact you to schedule the update at your site.

Please complete the attached form so that we may acknowledge your receipt of this notification. It is not necessary to contact BD by telephone. Simply complete and fax the form to: Attention: **XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX**, Fax: **XXXX-XXXXXXXX**. If further assistance is needed, please contact your local BD Technical Services Department at **XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX**

Please accept our apology for any inconvenience this may cause. BD is committed to providing you with the highest quality products. Thank you for your continued support.

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