



Welcome to our second Antech newsletter!

We are excited to continue with our quarterly bulletin and share with you tips and latest updates about our Antech diagnostic services across Asia.

In this second edition, we are thrilled to announce the opening of new Antech Singapore full reference laboratory and will be presenting the new FIRStract service, introducing our upgraded Microbiology service in both Hong Kong and Singapore laboratories.

New Antech Singapore reference Diagnostic Laboratory - Join us for Grand Opening!

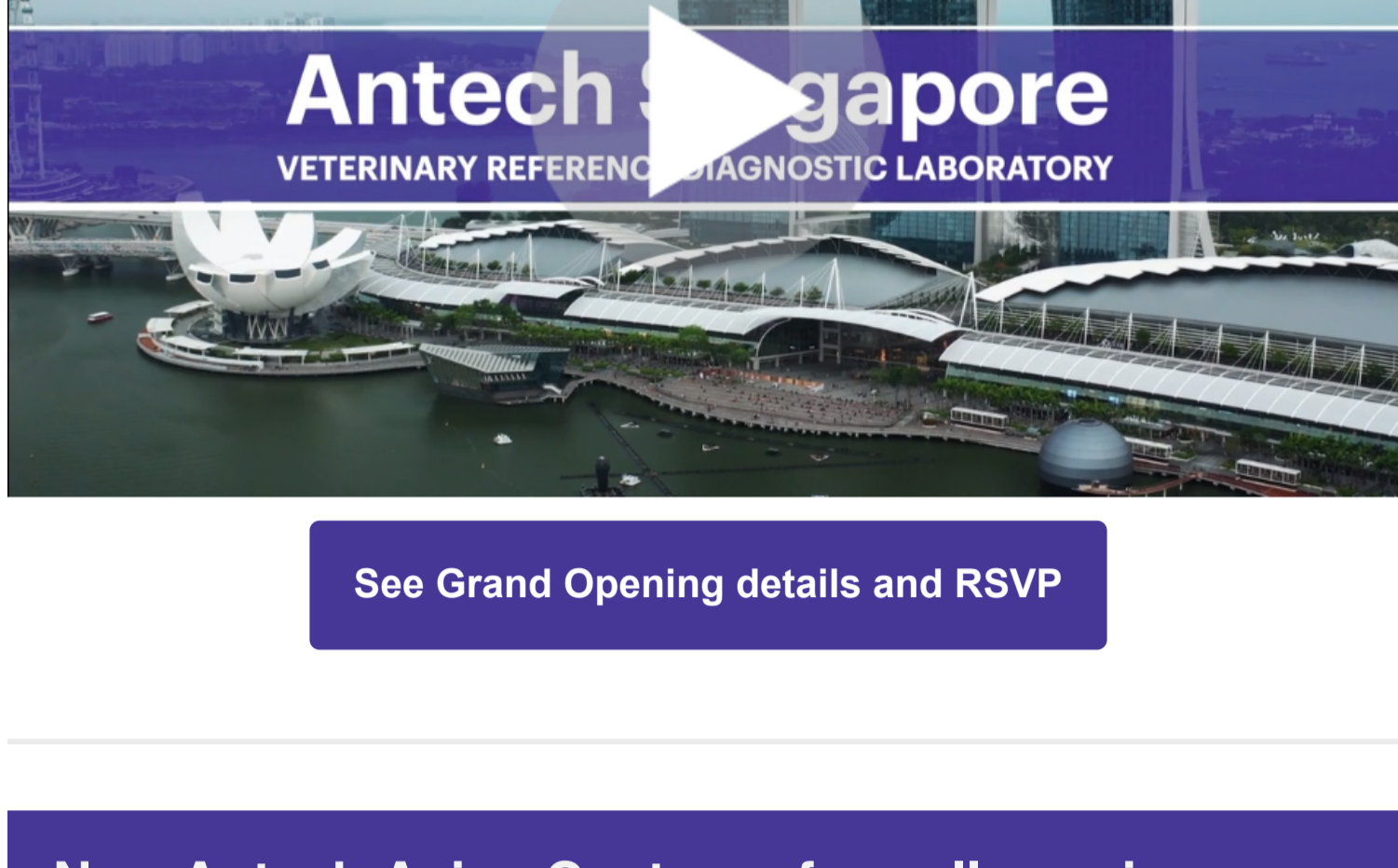
We are excited to invite you to **new Antech Singapore reference Diagnostic Laboratory Grand Opening on 16 July, from 2 to 5pm.**

Our new full reference diagnostic laboratory is located at **6 Jalan Gelenggang, Singapore 578189.**

Laboratory tours will be organised after official introduction, so you can discover our new state-of-the-art facilities, appreciate the cutting-edge technology used and meet our dedicated teams.

Food and Drinks will be served so we can celebrate together this fantastic news for the Singapore veterinary community, who now also has full access to the most accurate diagnostics, within the fastest turnaround times, thanks to our new local full services!

Please click below for a Virtual Tour of new Antech Singapore laboratory:



New Antech Asian Centres of excellence in Microbiology

Antech has been building new Centres of Excellence in Veterinary Microbiology in both Hong Kong and Singapore laboratories.

Take a deep dive into our upgraded Microbiology service offer and nurture Antimicrobial stewardship!

Together, we can positively impact the health of our pets and the environment!

- **All our Canine & Feline cultures will now be provided with MIC as standard part of our reports; this, at no extra charge!**

*Note that this does not apply for ocular submission; or Exotics submission where disc diffusion methods will still be applied.

By utilizing susceptibility test data in veterinary settings, we can take responsible action toward the use of antibiotics. Understanding this data is crucial for effective antimicrobial stewardship, and as veterinarians, we are responsible for prescribing the right antibiotics at the right times.

Antech offers a cutting-edge culture and sensitivity testing platform that equips veterinarians with vital information to accurately obtain and analyze antimicrobial susceptibility test results. Better Diagnostics, Better Medicine!

- **Urine C&S are now reported within hours thanks to new exclusive Antech FIRStract innovation:**

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FIRStract™ Urine Culture

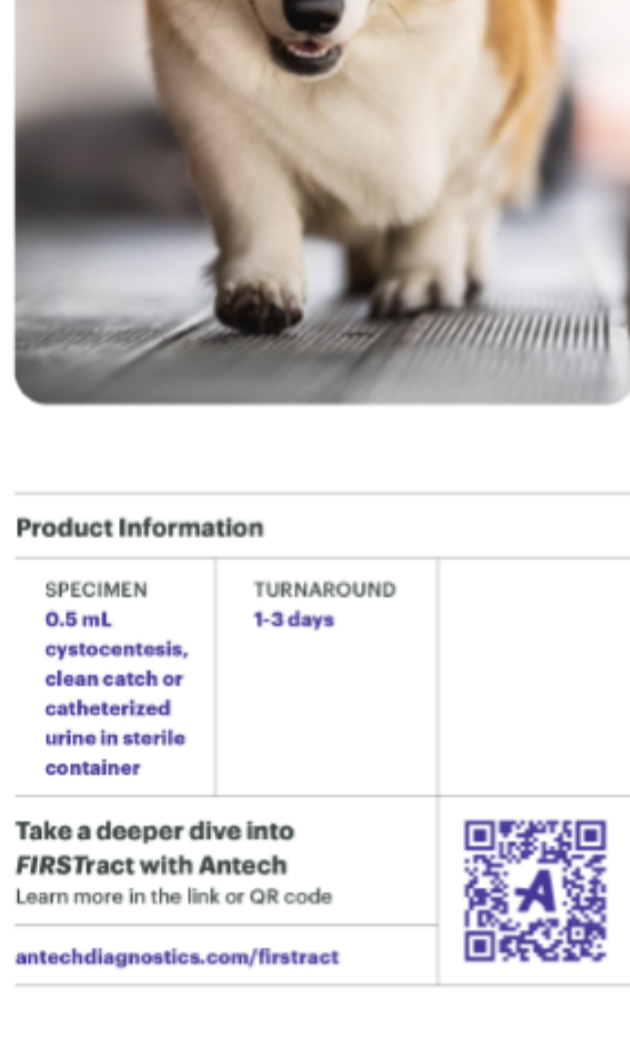
The new gold standard for rapid detection of bacteria in urine

Fast — results in hours, not days
Antech's FIRStract assay confirms the presence of bacteria within 24 hours allowing you to make more informed decisions sooner. This leads to better treatment for your patient and happy pet parents.

Accurate — new technology you can trust
FIRStract uses patented technology that monitors accelerated bacterial replication, which provides real-time growth curves, resulting in the rapid detection of bacteria in a sample.

Reliable — actionable results
FIRStract is powered by a new, fully automated system for rapid bacterial culture providing fast and reliable results for a better assessment and appropriate course of treatment for your patient.

Know sooner, treat better
As a leader in innovative technologies, Antech is committed to veterinary success. With FIRStract, we are excited to offer a new and reliable way to help veterinarians make informed decisions more quickly, leading to better treatment for their patients and a healthier world for us all.



Product Information

SPECIMEN	TURNAROUND
0.5 mL, cytocentrifuge, clean catch or catheterized urine in sterile container	1-3 days

Take a deeper dive into FIRStract with Antech
Learn more in the link or QR code

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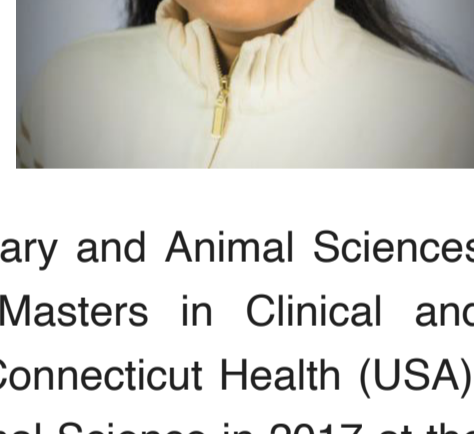
Antech is committed to supporting veterinary care teams with a flexible, can-do spirit resulting in healthy pets, happy pet parents, and a high-performing practice.
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To learn all about FIRStract and new Microbiology service, join our "Dinner & Learn" Sessions!

Speaker: Dr. Meera Surendran-Nair DVM, MS, PhD, DACVM
Antech Director of Clinical Microbiology

Dr Meera was born and raised in the State of Kerala, India. She enamored with Clinical Microbiology and determined to specialize in unraveling infectious diagnostic riddles and to continue applying her research skills to offer new test solutions.



She graduated as DVM in 2012 from Kerala Veterinary and Animal Sciences University, Wyanad (India), then completed her Masters in Clinical and Translational Research in 2016 at the University of Connecticut Health (USA), then completed a Master of Science and PhD in Animal Science in 2017 at the University of Connecticut, Storrs (USA) a Postdoctoral Scholar in Veterinary Population Medicine in 2019 at the University of Minnesota, Saint-Paul (USA); to complete her residency in the Veterinary Microbiology, in 2019-2021 at the Pennsylvania State University (USA), and become ACVM Board Certified specialist in Microbiology in 2021.

Today, Dr Meera lives in Pennsylvania, United States, and is Antech Director of Microbiology. Before joining Antech, she was a faculty at Penn State Animal Diagnostic Laboratory since 2019 where she oversaw Bacteriology and Molecular Diagnostic Divisions. Dr Meera is known for being innovative in bringing new diagnostic solutions. She worked closely with animal owners, veterinarians, and infectious disease pathologists to develop, validate and deploy microbiologic/molecular diagnostic tests to meet their unmet animal health needs. She has over ten years of research experience in animal health and microbiology.

Join us for the dinner and learn session, know how to:

- Utilizing susceptibility test data in veterinary settings for responsible antibiotic use
- Understanding data crucial for effective antimicrobial stewardship
- Allows accurate obtaining and analysis of antimicrobial susceptibility test results

Free registration!
CPD Points

JOIN US IN HONG KONG

Venue:
Hutaherum II & Presidents Room, 3/F South
Tower, YMCA
41 Salfisbury Road, Tsim Sha Tsui

Schedule:
7:00 - 8:00 pm: Registration & Buffet Dinner
8:00 - 10:30 pm: Seminar

[Register via HKVA website](#)

[Email for enquiry](#)

JOIN US IN SINGAPORE

Venue:
Hotel Sheraton Towers Singapore
39 Scotts Road Singapore 228230

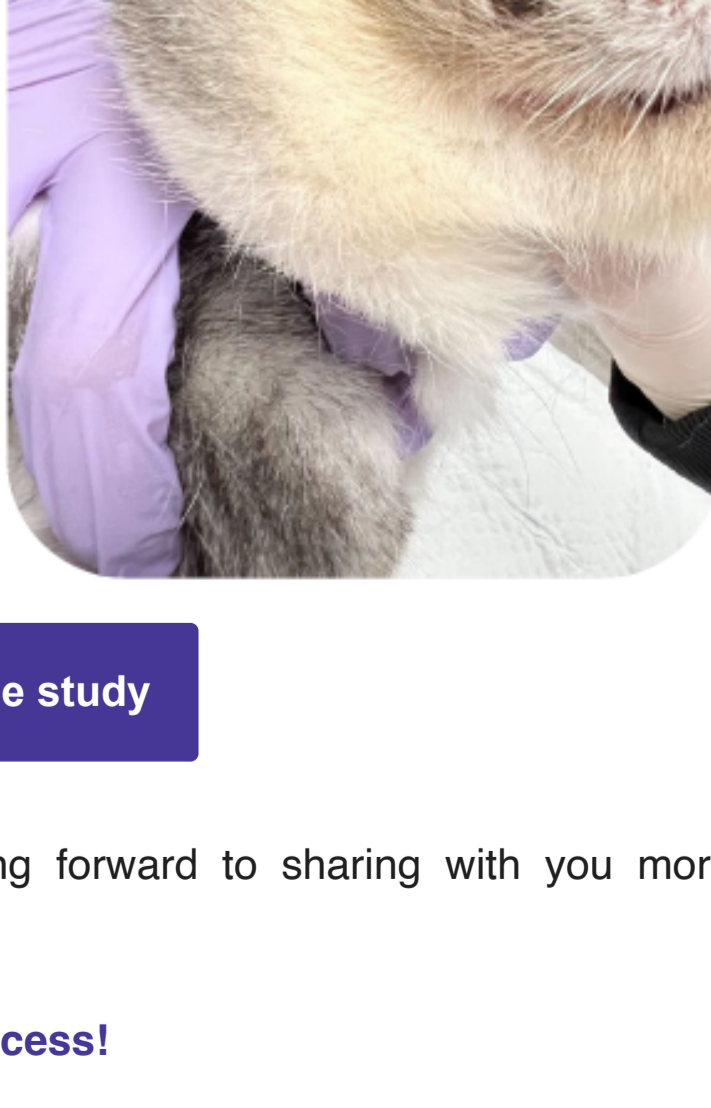
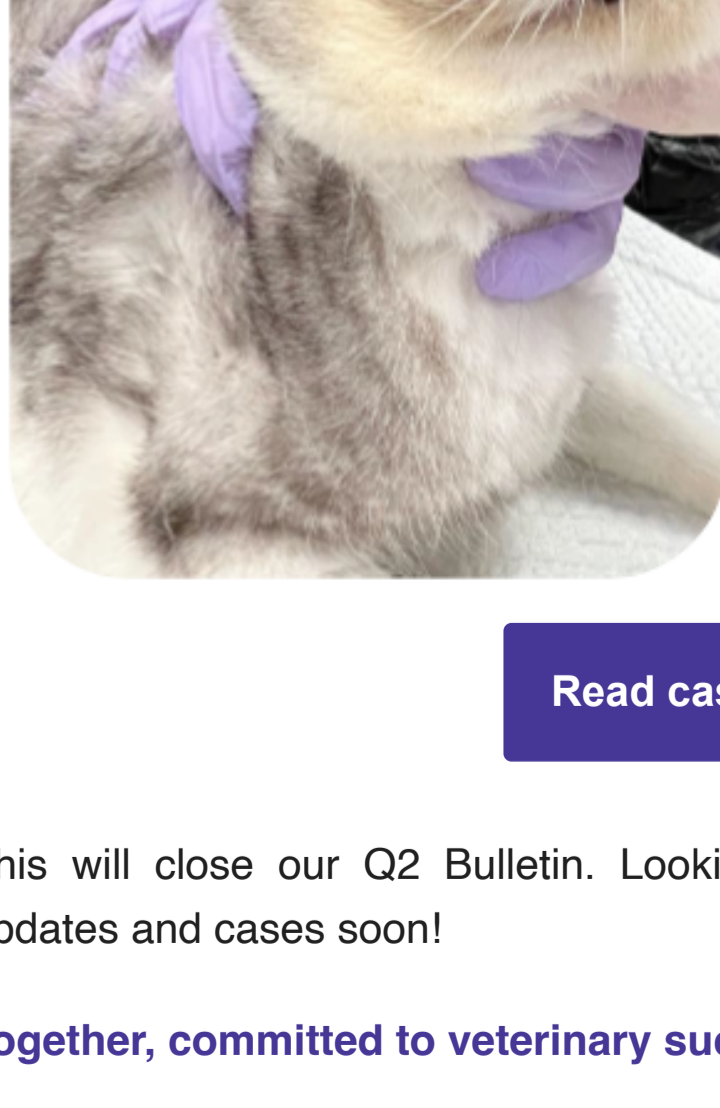
Schedule:
6.30 - 7.30 pm: Registration & Buffet Dinner
7.30 - 10.00 pm: Seminar

[Email for registration](#)

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Case Study

In this edition Dr. Monali Bera DVM MS Dipl ACVP (Anatomic Pathology) will present a case of **Feline mycetomas, which resulted in severe granulomatous cellulitis with hyphae**. Don't miss out and learn about all about feline mycetomas!



[Read case study](#)

This will close our Q2 Bulletin. Looking forward to sharing with you more updates and cases soon!

Together, committed to veterinary success!

The Antech Team.

