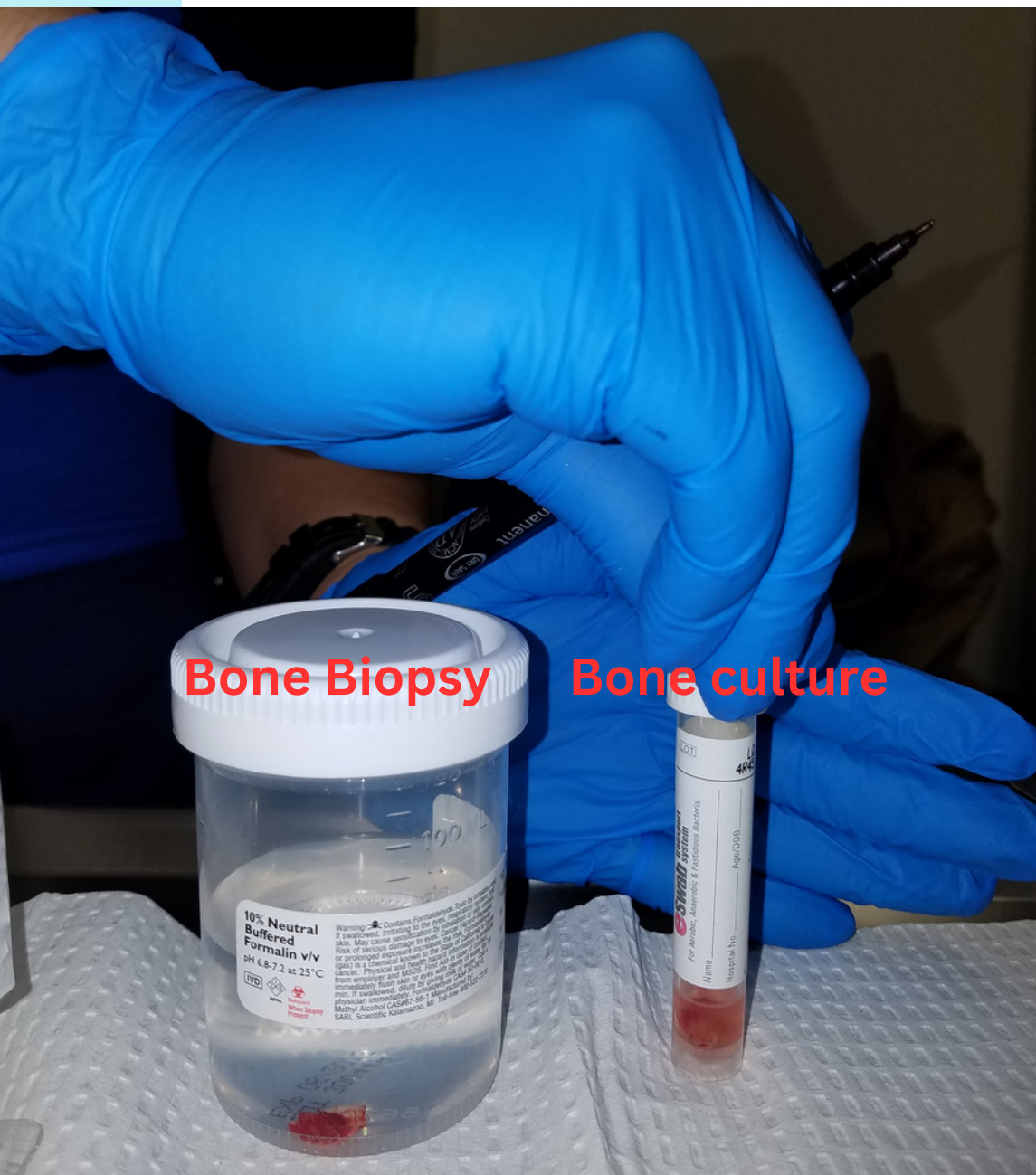


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Recommendation 5. In patients at high risk for DFO, we recommend that the diagnosis is most definitively established by the combined findings on bone culture and histology (Grade 1C). When bone is débrided to treat osteomyelitis, we recommend sending a sample for culture and histology (Grade 1C).

- **Bone culture**
 - sent fresh
 - analyzed for the presence of pathologic microorganisms
- **Bone Biopsy.**
 - sent in formalin
 - analyzed for the histological/cellular makeup of the specimen