

**S7 Table. Recovery of bacteria from clinical blood bottles.** Percent recovery and bacterial concentrations before and after centrifugation of clinical blood bottles.

Isolate Nr.	Before (CFU/mL)	After (CFU/mL)	Recovery (%)
1	$9.4 \cdot 10^8$	$9.7 \cdot 10^7$	10
2	$1.1 \cdot 10^8$	$4.5 \cdot 10^7$	41
3	$1.2 \cdot 10^9$	$1.7 \cdot 10^8$	14
4	$1.7 \cdot 10^9$	$1.5 \cdot 10^7$	1
5	$1.9 \cdot 10^8$	$8.1 \cdot 10^6$	4
6	$5.9 \cdot 10^7$	$4.6 \cdot 10^6$	8
7	$8.6 \cdot 10^7$	$8.9 \cdot 10^7$	104
8	$5.3 \cdot 10^8$	$6.5 \cdot 10^7$	12
9	$3.6 \cdot 10^7$	$1.5 \cdot 10^7$	41
10	$2.7 \cdot 10^7$	$2.8 \cdot 10^6$	10
11	$1.9 \cdot 10^8$	$1.8 \cdot 10^7$	9
12	$5.2 \cdot 10^7$	$5.1 \cdot 10^7$	96
13	$1.6 \cdot 10^8$	$1.2 \cdot 10^7$	8
Mean (SD)			28 (33)