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What factors influence the decision to switch to tubeless techniques for compatibility testing?

An e-Network Forum member is preparing a brief presentation for AABB about the decision factors for selecting tubeless techniques, and she would like input from the e-network forum. She believes that one decision factor may be a **shortage of technical staff** which has served in some labs as an impetus toward the introduction of new technology. She knows that **cost** may also be a decision factor. The inquiring member realizes that blood bankers have historically been very conservative about changes, so whatever input the e-Network can provide would be very interesting and helpful. Please provide as much detail as you can.

EDITOR's note: The e-Network membership might wish to **review** the following previous discussions when considering your responses to this question:

- Experience with the [Electronic Crossmatch?](#)
- What is the status of [automated pre-transfusion compatibility testing in the USA?](#)
- Is anyone aware of [Internet-based systems for managing blood bank information?](#)
- [Antibody Detection by Gel and Solid Phase Techniques](#)

Please let us know why you did or did not switch, and submit your responses to the e-Network at the link below.

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Addenda:

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