

Schedule of Accreditation



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Sites from which accredited services are delivered		
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1	University Hospital Limerick	St. Nessian's Road, Dooradoyle, Limerick, Limerick, Ireland, V94 F858
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Scope of Accreditation

Ennis Hospital - Haematology

Haematology

Category: A

Medical pathology field - Test	Test/Assay	Specimen Type	Technique	Range of Measurement/Equipment	Method (CE/Non-CE/In house developed/based on standard method)	Std. Ref & SOP
1030 Haematology - .01 Blood counts	Full blood count **124	EDTA	Automated	Sysmex XN series (XN10 and XN20)	CE/based on standard method	LP-L-HAE-EQPXN, LP-L-HAE-FBC-XNFBCDR
1030 Haematology - .02 Visual examination of blood films	Blood Film Examination **124	peripheral blood film from EDTA	Manual Method with automated staining	Staining (RAL Stainer)/ Microscopy	CE/based on standard method	LP-E-HAE-FILMPREP, LP-E-HAE_EQP-RALSTAINER, LP-L-HAE-FLM-REPORT
1030 Haematology - .03 Erythrocyte sedimentation rate	Erythrocyte sedimentation rate (ESR) **124	Na Citrate	Automated	Desaga S 2000 ESR Analyser	CE/based on standard method	LP-L-HAE-EQP-SEDIPLUS LP-L-HAE-MAN-ESR
1030 Haematology - .05 Automated differential leucocyte counts	Automated differential count **124	EDTA	Automated	Sysmex XN series (XN10 and XN20)	CE/based on standard method	LP-L-HAE-EQPXN, LP-L-HAE-FBC-XNFBCDR
1030 Haematology - .06 Automated reticulocyte counts	Automated Reticulocyte count **124		Automated	Sysmex XN series (XN10 and XN20)	CE/based on standard method	LP-L-HAE-EQPXN, LP-L-HAE-FBC-XNFBCDR

1030 Haematology - .41 General haemostasis related tests	APTT **124	Na Citrate	Automated Coagulometric	IL ACL TOP	CE/based on standard method	LP-E-HAE-EQP-ACLTOP LP-E-HAE-APTTACLTOP
	D-Dimer **124		Automated immunological	IL ACL TOP	CE/based on standard method	LP-E-HAE-EQP-ACLTOP LP-E-HAE-DDIMERACLTOP
	PT / INR **124		Automated coagulometric / ratio	IL ACL TOP	CE/based on standard method	LP-E-HAE-EQP-ACLTOP LP-E-HAE-PTACLTOP
1030 Haematology - .57 Screening test for infectious mononucleosis	Infectious mononucleosis screen **124	Serum / Plasma	Manual method - immunological	Rapid immunoassay - Clearview IM II kit	CE/based on standard method	LP-L-HAE-MAN-MONOSP

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1030 Haematology - .01 Blood counts	Full Blood Count **124	EDTA	Automated	Automated method- Sysmex XN-550	CE/based on standard method	LP-N-HAE- XN550FBC LP-N-HAE-XN550
1030 Haematology - .03 Erythrocyte sedimentation rate	Erythrocyte sedimentation rate **124		Automated	Automated method- Starrsed ST	CE/based on standard method	LP-L-HAE- STARRSED_ST; LP-L-HAE-EQP- STARRSED_ST;
1030 Haematology - .05 Automated differential leucocyte counts	Automated differential leucocyte count **124		Automated	Automated method- Sysmex XN-550	CE/based on standard method	LP-N-HAE- XN550FBC LP-N-HAE-XN550
1030 Haematology - .06 Automated reticulocyte counts	Automated reticulocyte count **124		Automated	Automated method- Sysmex XN-550	CE/based on standard method	LP-N-HAE- XN550FBC LP-N-HAE-XN550
1030 Haematology - .41 General haemostasis related tests	D-Dimer **124	Sodium Citrate	Automated	AQT90 Flex Analyser	CE/ based on standard method	LP-N-HAE-AQTDD & LP-N-HAE-EQPAQT

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Raheen Site - Microbiology

Microbiology and Virology

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Medical pathology field - Test	Test/assay	Specimen Type	Equipment/Technique	Method (CE/Non-CE/In house developed/based on standard method)	Range of measurement	Std. ref & SOP
1012 Preparation of films on glass slides followed by microscopic examination with or without fixation and staining with dyes as required - .04 Microscopic examination for mycobacteria	Microscopic examination: Mycobacteria	Bone marrow, Broncheolar lavage, bronchial aspirate, Bone, Blood, CAPD, CSF, Pleural fluid, Fluid from normally sterile sites, Gastric washing, Pus, Skin/ Tissue Biopsies, Sputum, early morning urine, swabs	Light/fluorescent microscope / Microscopic examination with or without fixation and staining with dyes for enumeration and description of mycobacteria	UK Standards for Microbiology Investigations Bacteriology – Staining Procedures TP 39 UK standards for Microbiology SMI B40	Qualitative	LP-L-MIC-TB
1013 Culture of organisms in liquid or agar based culture media with visual or instrument monitoring for growth - .03 Culture of mycobacteria	Investigation of specimens for Mycobacterium species/Culture; Instrument monitoring for growth Biomerieux MB Bact Alert® **34	Bone marrow, Broncheolar lavage, bronchial aspirate, Bone, Blood, CAPD, CSF, Pleural fluid, Sterile body fluid, Gastric washing, Pus, Post-mortem specimens, Skin/ Tissue Biopsies, Sputum, early morning urine, swabs	MB Bact Alert/ semi-automated liquid and solid media culture	UK standards for Microbiology SMI B40	Qualitative	LP-L-MIC-TB
1014 Detection of bacterial, parasite, viral or fungal antigens using specific antibodies and appropriate techniques - .04	MGIT™ TBc Identification test qualitative detection of MTBc antigen/MGIT™ TBc Identification test **4	Acid and alcohol fast (AABF) smear positive Liquid cultures	Manual/chromatographic immunoassay	CE	Qualitative	LP-L-MIC-TB

Immunochromatographic
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1030 Haematology - .01 Blood counts	Full Blood Count **124	EDTA	Automated	Automated Method – Sysmex XN-9100	CE / based on standard method	LP-L-HAE-FBC- XNFBCHR, LP-L-HAE- EQPXN
1030 Haematology - .02 Visual examination of blood films	Blood film **124	Peripheral Blood Film	Staining / microscopy	Automated method – Sysmex SP50	CE/based on standard method	LI-L-HAE-FLM-MAN, LP-L-HAE-FLM- REPORT, LP-L-HAE- FLM-STAIN, LP-L- HAE-EQP-SP50
		Peripheral Blood Film	Staining / microscopy	Manual method	CE/based on standard method	LI-L-HAE-FLM-MAN LP-L-HAE-FLM- REPORT LP-L-HAE-FLM-STAIN LP-L-HAE-EQP- HEMATEK
	Manual differentials **124		Staining / microscopy	Manual method	CE/based on standard method	LI-L-HAE-FLM-DIFFM
1030 Haematology - .03 Erythrocyte sedimentation rate	Erythrocyte Sedimentation R ate **124	EDTA	Westergen method	Automated method – Interliner RL	CE/based on standard method	LP-L-HAE- EQPSTARSEDRLRS, LP-L-HAE- STARSED_RLRS.
	Erythrocyte Sedimentation Rate **124		Westergen method	Automated method – Starrsed RD	CE/based on standard method	LP-L-HAE- EQPSTARSEDRLRS, LP-L-HAE- STARSED_RLRS.
1030 Haematology - .05 Automated differential leucocyte counts	Automated Differential count **124		Automated	Automated Method – Sysmex XN-9100	CE / based on standard method	LP-L-HAE-FBC- XNFBCHR, LP-L-HAE- EQPXN

1030 Haematology - .06 Automated reticulocyte counts	Automated reticulocyte count **124		Automated	Automated Method – Sysmex XN-9100	CE / based on standard method	LP-L-HAE-FBC- XNFBCCR, LP-L-HAE- EQPXN
1030 Haematology - .08 Blood film examinations involving special staining procedures	Perls prussian blue stain **1234	EDTA	Staining / microscopy	Manual method	CE/based on standard method	LP-L-HAE-FLM-PPB
1030 Haematology - .09 Examination of malarial parasites	Malaria and DNA Amplification Assay **4	Whole Blood	Molecular Assay based on Loop-Mediated Amplification(LAMP) technology	Automated - Meridian ILLUMIPRO-10	CE/based on standard method	LP-L-HAE-FLM- ILLUMIGENE & LP- L-HAE-EQP- ILLUMIPRO
	Malaria antigen **124	Plasma	Immunochromatographic test	Manual method	CE/based on standard method	LP-L-HAE-FLM- MALAB
	Malaria film **124	EDTA	Staining / microscopy	Manual method	CE/based on standard method	LP-L-HAE-FLM-MALST
1030 Haematology - .20 Bone marrow examination	Bone marrow aspirates **124	Blood	Staining / microscopy	Manual method	CE/based on standard method	LP-L-HAE-FLM-BM
1030 Haematology - .30 Tests for haemoglobin variants and thalassaemia	Sickle screening **124	EDTA	Qualitative solubility test	Manual method	CE/based on standard method	LP-L-HAE-MAN- SICKLP
1030 Haematology - .40 Limited haemostasis related tests	Activated Protein C Resistance assay **124	Citrated Plasma	Clotting assay	Automated method - Stago STA-R Max		LP-L-HAE-COA-APC- R, LI-L-HAE-COA- SPIN, LP-L-HAE-COA- SPEC, LP-L-HAE- EQP-STA-R
	Antithrombin III assay **124		Colorimetric/Chromogenic assay	Automated method - Stago STA-R Max		LP-L-HAE-COA-ATIII, LI-L-HAE-COA-SPIN, LP-L-HAE-COA-SPEC, LP-L-HAE-COA-TPHIL, LP-L-HAE-EQP-STA-R
	Anti-Xa assay **124		Colorimetric/Chromogenic assay	Automated method - Stago STA-R Max		LP-L-HAE-COA-XA, LI- L-HAE-COA-SPIN, LP- L-HAE-COA-SPEC, LP-L-HAE-EQP-STA-R
	APTT **124		Clotting assay	Automated method - Stago STA-R Max		LP-L-HAE-COA-APTT, LI-L-HAE-COA-SPIN, LP-L-HAE-COA-SPEC, LP-L-HAE-EQP-STA-R

Ddimer **124	Immunoturbidometric assay	Automated method - Stago STA-R Max		LP-L-HAE-COA-DDIMER, LI-L-HAE-COA-SPIN, LP-L-HAE-COA-SPEC, LP-L-HAE-EQP-STA-R
Factor II assay **124	Clotting assay	Automated method - Stago STA-R Max		LP-L-HAE-COA-EXFACT, LI-L-HAE-COA-SPIN, LP-L-HAE-COA-SPEC, LP-L-HAE-EQP-STA-R
Factor IX assay **124	Clotting assay	Automated method - Stago STA-R Max		LP-L-HAE-COA-INFAC, LI-L-HAE-COA-SPIN, LP-L-HAE-COA-SPEC, LP-L-HAE-EQP-STA-R
Factor V assay **124	Clotting assay	Automated method - Stago STA-R Max		LP-L-HAE-COA-EXFACT, LI-L-HAE-COA-SPIN, LP-L-HAE-COA-SPEC, LP-L-HAE-EQP-STA-R
Factor VII assay **124	Clotting assay	Automated method - Stago STA-R Max		LP-L-HAE-COA-EXFACT, LI-L-HAE-COA-SPIN, LP-L-HAE-COA-SPEC, LP-L-HAE-EQP-STA-R
Factor VIII assay **124	Clotting assay	Automated method - Stago STA-R Max		LP-L-HAE-COA-INFAC, LP-L-HAE-COA-LOVIII, LI-L-HAE-COA-SPIN, LP-L-HAE-COA-SPEC, LP-L-HAE-EQP-STA-R
Factor X assay **124	Clotting assay	Automated method - Stago STA-R Max		LP-L-HAE-COA-EXFACT, LI-L-HAE-COA-SPIN, LP-L-HAE-COA-SPEC, LP-L-HAE-EQP-STA-R
Factor XI assay **124	Clotting assay	Automated method - Stago STA-R Max		LP-L-HAE-COA-INFAC, LI-L-HAE-COA-SPIN, LP-L-HAE-COA-SPEC, LP-L-HAE-EQP-STA-R

Factor XII assay **124	Clotting assay	Automated method - Stago STA-R Max	LP-L-HAE-COA-FXII, LI-L-HAE-COA-SPIN, LP-L-HAE-COA-SPEC, LP-L-HAE-EQP-STA-R
Fibrinogen **124	Clotting assay	Automated method - Stago STA-R Max	LP-L-HAE-COA-FIB, LI-L-HAE-COA-SPIN, LP-L-HAE-COA-SPEC, LP-L-HAE-EQP-STA-R
Free Protein S assay **124	Immunoturbidometric assay	Automated method - Stago STA-R Max	LP-L-HAE-COA- FREEPS, LI-L-HAE- COA-SPIN, LP-L-HAE- COA-SPEC, LP-L- HAE-COA-TPHIL, LP- L-HAE-EQP-STA-R
Lupus Like Anticoagulant **124	Clotting assay	Automated method - Stago STA-R Max	LP-L-HAE-COA-LLA, LI-L-HAE-COA-SPIN, LP-L-HAE-COA-SPEC, LP-L-HAE-EQP-STA-R
Mixing studies **124	Clotting assay	Automated method - Stago STA-R Max	LP-L-HAE-COA-MIX, LI-L-HAE-COA-SPIN, LP-L-HAE-COA-SPEC, LP-L-HAE-EQP-STA-R
Protein C **124	Colorimetric/Chromogenic assay	Automated method - Stago STA-R Max	LP-L-HAE-COA- PROTC, LI-L-HAE- COA-SPIN, LP-L-HAE- COA-SPEC, LP-L- HAE-COA-TPHIL, LP- L-HAE-EQP-STA-R
Protein S **124	Clotting assay	Automated method - Stago STA-R Max	LP-L-HAE-COA- PROTS, LI-L-HAE- COA-SPIN, LP-L-HAE- COA-SPEC, LP-L- HAE-COA-TPHIL, LP- L-HAE-EQP-STA-R
PT/INR **124	Clotting assay / ratio calculation	Automated method - Stago STA-R Max	LP-L-HAE-COA- PTINR, LI-L-HAE-COA- SPIN, LP-L-HAE-COA- SPEC, LP-L-HAE- EQP-STA-R

	Reptilase **124		Clotting assay	Automated method - Stago STA-R Max		LP-L-HAE-COA-TTREPT, LI-L-HAE-COA-SPIN, LP-L-HAE-COA-SPEC, LP-L-HAE-EQP-STA-R
	Thrombin Time **124		Clotting assay	Automated method - Stago STA-R Max		LP-L-HAE-COA-TTREPT, LI-L-HAE-COA-SPIN, LP-L-HAE-COA-SPEC, LP-L-HAE-EQP-STA-R
	Vwf Antigen Assay **124		Immunoturbidometric assay	Automated method - Stago STA-R Max		LP-L-HAE-COA-VWF, LI-L-HAE-COA-SPIN, LP-L-HAE-COA-SPEC, LP-L-HAE-EQP-STA-R
1030 Haematology - .45 Tests of platelet function	Ristocetin cofactor assay **124		Platelet aggregation	Automated - Sysmex	CE/based on standard method	LP-L-HAE-COA-RI_COF
1030 Haematology - .57 Screening test for infectious mononucleosis	Infectious mononucleosis screen **124	Serum / plasma	Manual method - immunological	Rapid immunoassay - Clearview IM II kit	CE/based on standard method	LP-L-HAE-MAN-MONOSP
1030 Haematology - .62 Plasma viscosity	Plasma viscosity **124	EDTA / plasma	Capillary method	Benson Viscometer BV1	CE/based on standard method	LP-L-HAE-MAN-PVISC LP-L-HAE-EQP-BENSON
1030 Haematology - .70 Immunophenotyping	Immune monitoring Antigens Tested: CD3, CD4, CD8, CD19, CD56/16 **1234	EDTA	Immunophenotyping	Automated method BD FacsLyric Flow Cytometer	CE / based on standard method	LP-L-HAE-FLO-IMMUNEMON LP-L-HAE-EQPFACSLyric LP-L-HAE-EQP-Integrated BDFACSLyric BD FACS Duet system

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1011 Macroscopic examination and description	Macroscopic examination and description of: Sputum CSF Fluids **3	CAPD Fluid CSF Other body fluids Pleural fluid Sputum	Manual observation	UK standards for Microbiology SMI B25 ; SMI B26; SMI B27; SMI B57	Qualitative	LP-L-MIC-CAPD LP-L-MIC-FLUID LP-L-MIC- PLEURALFL LP-L-MIC-CSF LP-L-MIC-SPUTA
1012 Preparation of films on glass slides followed by microscopic examination with or without fixation and staining with dyes as required - .01 Microscopic examination for general bacteriology purposes (including enumeration and description of human cells)	Automated Urine Microscopy **234	Human Urine	Sysmex UF5000/Automated particle counting	CE/ UK standards for Microbiology SMI B 41	semi-quantitative	LP-L-MIC-URINE LP-L-MIC- EQP-UF5000
	Manual Microscopy/KOVA standardized microscopic analysis **34	Fluids from normally sterile Sites	CE/KOVA ® slide Glasstic™ Slide 10	UK standards for Microbiology SMI B25 ; SMI B26; SMI B27; SMI B57	semi-quantitative	LP-L-MIC-CAPD LP-L-MIC-FLUID LP-L-MIC- PLEURALFL LP-L-MIC-CSF LP-L-MIC-SPUTA
	Manual Urine Microscopy/KOVA standardized microscopic analysis **4	Human Urine	CE/KOVA ® slide Glasstic™ Slide 10	CE/ UK standards for Microbiology SMI B 41	semi-quantitative	LP-L-MIC-URINE

	Microscopic examination of: General Bacteriology **234	Swabs, Blood Cultures, Bone marrow, Bone and associated soft tissue, Peritoneal dialysis fluid (CAPD) , Corneal scrapings, CSF, Normally sterile body fluids, Pleural Fluid, Aspirates / Pus/ Exudates, Genitourinary (GUM) specimens, Tissue / biopsies	Light/fluorescent microscope / Microscopic examination with or without fixation and staining with dyes for enumeration and description of bacteria and human cells	UK standards for Microbiology TP 39	Qualitative	LI-L-MIC-TISSUE, LI-L-MIC-TISSUORCM, LP-L-MIC-BC, LP-L-MIC-CAPD, LP-L-MIC-CSF, LP-L-MIC-FLUID, LP-L-MIC-GENITAL, LP-L-MIC-PLEURALFL, LI-L-MIC-EYES LP-L-MIC-GRAM
1012 Preparation of films on glass slides followed by microscopic examination with or without fixation and staining with dyes as required - .02 Microscopic examination for parasites	Microscopic examination of: Parasites **3	Human faeces	Microscopy with or without fixation and staining with dyes as appropriate to test	UK Standards for Microbiology Investigations Bacteriology – Staining Procedures TP 39	Qualitative	LP-L-MIC-OCP
	Microscopic examination of: Parasites/faecal concentration with or without fixation and staining with dyes for enumeration and description of parasites **34	Human Faeces, Duodenal / jejunal aspirates, Body fluids, Sellotape slide, Tissues and Biopsies, Sputum, Urine	Midi Parasep® Faecal Parasite Concentrator/Light Microscopy with or without stain	UK standards for Microbiology SMI B31	Qualitative	LP-L-MIC-OCP
1013 Culture of organisms in liquid or agar based culture media with visual or instrument monitoring for growth - .01 Culture of general bacteria	Investigation of Bacterial Eye Infections/ Culture of: General bacteria **34	Eye related samples	Manual/ Based on Standard Methods	UK standards for Microbiology SMI B2	Qualitative	LP-L-MIC-CULTURE LP-L-MIC-READ LI-L-MIC-EYES
	Carbapenemase Producing Enterobacteriales	Multidrug Resistant Screening - Faeces/Swab of	Manual/ Based on Standard Methods	HPSC Guidelines for the Prevention and Control of	Qualitative	LP-L-MC-CPE

(CPE) Investigation/ Culture of: General bacteria **34	faeces/Ileostomy swab / Rectal swab / Stool. NB: Local screening policy applies. Microbiological cultures of Enterobacteriaceae		Multi-drug resistant organisms (MDRO) excluding MRSA in the healthcare setting UK standards for Microbiology SMI B60 EUCAST guidelines for detection of resistance and specific resistances of clinical and/or epidemiological importance		
Extended Spectrum beta lactamase (ESBL) Investigation/Culture of: General bacteria **34	Multidrug Resistant Screening - Faeces,rectal swab, MSU, CSU. NB: Local screening policy applies. Microbiological cultures of enterobacteriaceae	Manual/ Based on Standard Methods	UK standards for Microbiology SMI B59 EUCAST guidelines for detection of resistance and specific resistances of clinical and/or epidemiological importance	Qualitative	LP-L-MIC-ESBL
Investigation deep seated wounds/Culture of: General bacteria **34	Deep Wounds, Pus, exudates, aspirates	Manual/ Based on Standard Methods	UK standards for Microbiology SMI B14	Qualitative	LP-L-MIC-CULTURE LP-L-MIC-READ LI-L-MIC-WOUND
Investigation of biliary infection/Culture of: General bacteria **4	Bile	Manual/ Based on Standard Methods	UK standards for Microbiology SMI B15	Qualitative	LP-L-MIC-FLUID
Investigation of Bloodstream infections/Culture of: General bacteria **34	Blood Culture	Automated BacTalert 3D/ liquid and solid media Culture	CE/ UK standards for Microbiology B37	Qualitative	LP-L-MIC-BC

Investigation of Body Fluid/Culture of: General bacteria **4	Breast Milk	Manual/ Based on Standard Methods	N/A	Qualitative	LI-L-MIC-BREAST MILK
Investigation of Bronchoalveolar Lavage, Sputum, and Associated Specimens/Culture of: General bacteria **34	Sputum, Bronchoalveolar Lavage (BAL) & associated specimens	Manual/ Based on Standard Methods	UK standards for Microbiology SMI B57	Qualitative	LP-L-MIC-SPUTA
Investigation of catheter related blood stream infections (CR-BSI)/ Culture of: General bacteria **34	Intravascular Cannulae and associated Specimens	Manual/ Based on Standard Methods	UK standards for Microbiology SMI B20	Semi-quantitative	LP-L-MIC-CULTURE LP-L-MIC-READ LI-L-MIC-CANUL
Investigation of Continuous Ambulatory Peritoneal Dialysis (CAPD) Fluid/Culture of: General bacteria **4	CAPD Fluid	Manual & Automated BacTalert 3D enrichment/ Based on Standard Methods	UK standards for Microbiology B25	Qualitative	LP-L-MIC-CAPD
Investigation of Ear Swabs and Associated Specimens/ Culture of: General bacteria **34	Ear related samples	Manual/ Based on Standard Methods	UK standards for Microbiology SMI B1	Qualitative	LP-L-MIC-CULTURE LP-L-MIC-READ LI-L-MIC-EARS
Investigation of Fluids from Normally Sterile Sites Culture of: General bacteria **34	Fluids from Sterile Sites	Manual & Automated BacTalert 3D enrichment/ Based on Standard Methods	UK standards for Microbiology B26	Qualitative	LP-L-MIC-FLUID
Investigation of gastroenteritis/Culture of: General bacteria **34	Human Faeces Rectal Swab	Manual/ Based on Standard Methods	UK standards for Microbiology SMI S7 UK standards for Microbiology SMI B10	Qualitative	LP-L-MIC-FAECES
Investigation of Genital Tract and Associated Specimens including semen and Intrauterine devices/Culture of: General bacteria **34	Human Male/Female Genitourinary Samples	Manual/ Based on Standard Methods	UK standards for Microbiology SMI B28 UK standards for Microbiology SMI B58	Qualitative	LP-L-MIC-GENITAL

Investigation of Nasal Samples/ Culture of: General bacteria **4	Nasal swabs	Manual/ Based on Standard Methods	UK standards for Microbiology SMI B57	Qualitative	LP-L-MIC-CULTURE LP-L-MIC-READ LI-L-MIC-NASAL
Investigation of orthopaedic implant associated infections/ Culture of: General bacteria **4	Intra-operative Orthopaedic Bone & associated Tissues	Manual/ Based on Standard Methods	UK standards for Microbiology SMI B42	Qualitative	LP-L-MIC-CULTURE LP-L-MIC-READ LI-L-MIC-TISSORCM
Investigation of Pleural Fluid/Culture of: General bacteria **4	Pleural Fluid	Manual & Automated BacTalert 3D enrichment/ Based on Standard Methods	UK standards for Microbiology SMI B26	Qualitative	LP-L-MIC- PLEURALFL
Investigation of Sinusitis/Culture of: General bacteria **4	Antral washout sinus aspirate /washout	Manual/ Based on Standard Methods	UK standards for Microbiology SMI B5	Qualitative	LP-L-MIC-SINUS
Investigation of superficial mouth samples/ Culture of: General bacteria **34	Mouth swab, saliva and oral rinse	Manual/ Based on Standard Methods	UK standards for Microbiology SMI B4 UK Standards for Microbiology Investigations Bacteriology – Staining Procedures TP39	Qualitative	LP-L-MIC-CULTURE LP-L-MIC-READ LI-L-MIC- MOUTHTONGUE
Investigation of Swabs from skin and superficial soft tissue infections/ Culture of: General bacteria **34	Superficial Soft Tissue Wound and body swabs	Manual/ Based on Standard Methods	UK standards for Microbiology SMI B11	Qualitative	LP-L-MIC-CULTURE LP-L-MIC-READ LI-L-MIC-WOUND
Investigation of Throat related Specimens/ Culture of: General bacteria **34	Throat related samples	Manual/ Based on Standard Methods	UK standards for Microbiology SMI B9	Qualitative	LP-L-MIC-CULTURE LP-L-MIC-READ LI-L-MIC-THROAT
Investigation of tissues and biopsies from deep-seated sites and organs/ Culture of: General bacteria **4	Bone & associated Tissues	Manual/ Based on Standard Methods	UK standards for Microbiology SMI B42	Qualitative	LP-L-MIC- CULTURE LP-L-MIC-READ LI-L-MIC-TISSUE

Investigation of tissues and biopsies from deep-seated sites and organs/Culture of: General bacteria **4	Tissues,Biopsies	Manual/ Based on Standard Methods	UK standards for Microbiology SMI B17	Qualitative	LP-L-MIC-CULTURE LP-L-MIC-READ LI-L-MIC-TISSUE
Investigation of Urine and urinary tract associated specimens/ Culture of: General bacteria **4	Human urine - including mid-stream and clean catch specimens and those collected via bag, ileal conduit, ureter, catheter, urostomy, nephrostomy, cystoscopy, supra pubic aspirate, prostate massage/secretions, and pad urine.	Manual/ Based on Standard Methods	UK standards for Microbiology SMI B41	Qualitative	LP-L-MIC-URINE
Investigation of Whooping Cough/Culture of: General bacteria **4	Pernasal swab, nasopharyngeal aspirate, nasopharyngeal swab	Manual/ Based on Standard Methods	UK standards for Microbiology SMI B6	Qualitative	LP-L-MIC-CULTURE LP-L-MIC-READ LI-L-MIC-BORDETELLA
Meningitis Investigation/Culture of: General bacteria **4	Cerebrospinal Fluid (CSF)	Manual/ Based on Standard Methods	UK standards for Microbiology SMI B27	Qualitative	LP-L-MIC-CSF
Methicillin Resistant Staphylococcus aureus (MRSA) Investigation/Culture of: General bacteria **34	Recommended multidrug resistant screening swabs for patient cohort; nose, throat, axilla, groin (or perineum) and rectum Swabs - (Faeces/Swab of faeces/Ileostomy swab / Rectal swab / Stool. NB: Local screening policy applies. Microbiological	Manual/ Based on Standard Methods	UK standards for Microbiology SMI B29 HPSC: National Clinical (MRSA) Guidelines EUCAST guidelines for detection of resistance and specific resistances of clinical and/or epidemiological importance	Qualitative	LP-L-MIC-MRSA

		cultures of staphylococci.				
	Vancomycin resistant enterococci (VRE) Investigation/Culture of: General bacteria **34	Multidrug Resistant Screening samples- Faeces/Swab of faeces/ Ileostomy swab / Rectal swab. NB: Local screening policy applies Microbiological cultures of enterococci	Manual/ Based on Standard Methods	HPSC Guidelines for the Prevention and Control of Multi-drug resistant organisms (MDRO) excluding MRSA in the healthcare setting EUCAST guidelines for detection of resistance and specific resistances of clinical and/or epidemiological importance	Qualitative	LP-L-MIC-VRE
1013 Culture of organisms in liquid or agar based culture media with visual or instrument monitoring for growth - .02 Culture of fungi	Investigation of fungal infection/Culture of: General Fungi **34	Microbiological samples other than skin scrapings, hair and nails	Manual method or Automated BacTalert 3D/Based on Standard Methods	UK standards for Microbiology Investigations for relevant sample type and UK SMI TP-39	Qualitative	LP-L-MIC-FUNGAL LI-L-MIC-OESOPHAGEAL LP-L-MIC-FLUID LP-L-MIC-CAPD LP-L-MIC-PLEURALFL
1014 Detection of bacterial, parasite, viral or fungal antigens using specific antibodies and appropriate techniques - .03 Enzyme immunoassay,	Qualitative detection of H.pylori antigen in stool specimens by Enzyme Immunoassay **4	Faeces	Manual Method / Enzyme Immunoassay (EIA)	CE Marked/based on standard method	Qualitative	LP-L-SER-HPA
	Simultaneous detection of GDH antigen and C.difficile Toxins A&B / TECHLAB® C. DIFF QUIK CHEK COMPLETE® **4		Manual/Enzyme Immunoassay	CE	Qualitative	LP-L-MIC-QUIKCHEKDIFF

1014 Detection of bacterial, parasite, viral or fungal antigens using specific antibodies and appropriate techniques - .04 Immunochromatographic methods,	Cryptococcal Antigen Lateral Flow Assay**4	Cerebral spinal fluid (CSF), Serum	IMMY CrAg Lateral FLOW Assay	CE - IVD UK Standards for Microbiology B27	Qualitative	LP-L-MIC-CRYPAG
	Detection of Legionella pneumophila serogroup 1 Urinary antigen /Binax Now **4	Urine	Alere™ Reader/Binax now Legionella Urinary Antigen Card immunochromatographic assay	CE/ UK Standards for Microbiology B41	Qualitative	LP-L-MIC-UAG
	Detection of Streptococcus pneumoniae Urinary antigen/Binax Now **4	Urine	Alere™ Reader/Binax now Streptococcus pneumoniae Urinary Antigen Card immunochromatographic assay	CE	Qualitative	LP-L-MIC-UAG
1015 Detection and/or identification of bacterial, parasite, fungal and viral nucleic acids - .03 Nucleic acid amplification tests, CE marked commercial systems	Abbott Alinity M PCR for detection and quantification of HCV RNA **234	Plasma / Serum	Abbott Alinity M automated real time PCR	CE Marked/based on standard method	Qualitative - Not Detected Quantitative range - <1.08 Log IU/mL [Detected <LLOQ] to >9.70 Log IU/mL [Detected >ULOQ]	LP-L-SER-ALINITY-HCVRNA LP-L-SER-EQP-ALINITYM
	Abbott Alinity M PCR for detection of SARS-CoV-2 **234	Respiratory swabs	Abbott Alinity M automated real time PCR	CE Marked/based on standard method	Qualitative	LP-L-SER-ALINITY_COVID LP-L-SER-EQP-ALINITY M
	Detection of SARS-CoV-2 by LifeRiver Extraction & Serosep Respibio Panel 1 Real Time PCR assay in respiratory samples **34		LifeRiver Extraction & Serosep Respibio Panel 1 Real Time PCR assay	CE Marked/based on standard method	Qualitative	LP-L-SER-RESPIBIO-RBRP1
	Detection of SARS-CoV-2, Influenza A & B and RSV by LifeRiver Extraction &		LifeRiver Extraction & Serosep Respibio Panel 3 Real Time PCR assay in respiratory samples	CE Marked/based on standard method	Qualitative	LP-L-SER-RESPIBIO-RBRP3

Serosep RespiBio Panel 3 Real Time PCR assay in respiratory samples **234					
Detection of: Toxigenic Clostridium difficile, Salmonella, Shigella, Campylobacter, Verotoxigenic E.coli, Cryptosporidium spp and Giardia spp/EntericBio® Gastro Panel 2 **24	Faeces	EntericBio Epimotion/Roche light cycler 481/Real-time PCR	CE	Qualitative	LP-L-MIC-ENTBIO2, LP-L-MIC-CDIFFENTBIO
EntericBio Viral Panel 3 for the detection of Norovirus GI & GII, Rotavirus A, Adenovirus F 40 & 41, Astrovirus and Sapovirus **24		Serosep EntericBio Viral Panel 3 Real Time PCR	CE Marked/based on standard method	Qualitative	LP-L-SER-EBVP3 LP-L-GEN-ECYCLER480
GeneXpert Express CoV-2/Flu/RSV Plus **234	Respiratory swabs	Cepheid GeneXpert automated real time PCR	CE Marked/based on standard method	Qualitative	LP-L-SER-XPERT-RESP LP-L-GEN-EQP-GENEXPERT
Meningitis-Encephalitis bacterial/ viral/ yeast nucleic acid screen/ FilmArray® ME Panel **234	Cerebrospinal Fluid (CSF)	Biofire FilmArray®system/ multiplex PCR	CE	Qualitative	LP-L-MIC-FILMARRAY
Molecular detection of respiratory viruses - BioFire Torch Respiratory Panel 2.1 Plus **234	Respiratory swabs	Biomerieux Biofire TORCH automated real time PCR	CE Marked/based on standard method	Qualitative	LP-L-SER-BIOFIRE-RESP2.1 LP-L-SER-EQP-BIOFIRE
Qualitative detection of carbapenemase genes in Enterobacteriaceae from human stool specimens/EntericBio® CPE Direct . **234	Human stool samples or rectal swabs Bacterial isolates of Enterobacteriaceae	EntericBio Epimotion, Roche light cycler 480/ Real-time PCR	CE	Qualitative	LP-L-MIC-ENTCPE

	Xpert® CTNG Chlamydia trachomatis and Neisseria gonorrhoea screening / geneXpert assay **234	Vaginal/ Endocervical Swabs, Male Urethral, Female & Male urines and male and female extragenital sites (pharyngeal and rectal swabs)	GeneXpert Instrument Systems/ Real-time PCR	CE	Qualitative	LP-L-MIC-CHLAMGC
	Xpert® C. difficile BT /geneXpert assay **24	Unformed (liquid or soft) stool specimens	GeneXpert Instrument Systems/ Real-time PCR	CE	Qualitative	LP-L-MIC-CDIFFGENEXPERT
	Xpert® Carba-R (CPE detection) /geneXpert assay **234	Carbapenem non-susceptible pure colonies of Enterobacteriales, Acinetobacter baumannii or Pseudomonas aeruginosa. Rectal and peri-rectal swab specimens.	GeneXpert Instrument Systems/ Real-time PCR	CE	Qualitative	LP-L-MIC-CPE
1016 Identification of cultured bacteria and fungi using non-nucleic acid based techniques - .01 Biochemical methods , CE marked commercial systems	Identification of Enterobacteriaceae and other non-fastidious, Gram negative rods using: Biochemical methods/api® **24	Microorganism cultures Enterobacteriaceae	Biomerieux api® Standardized identification strip API 20E™ / Manual	CE	Qualitative	EXTMIC-5
	Identification of gram positive and gram negative organisms using: Biochemical methods/ Sensititre Automated Reader Incubator System (ARIS) **24	Microorganism cultures	Trek Sensititre ARIS/Semi-automated	CE	Qualitative	LP-L-MIC-EQPARIS
	Identification of Neisseria, Haemophilus (and related genera) and Moraxella catarrhalis (Branhamella	Microorganism cultures of Neisseria, Haemophilus (and related genera) and Moraxella catarrhalis	Biomerieux api® /Manual	CE	Qualitative	EXTMIC-29

	catarrhalis)using: Biochemical methods/api ® Standardized identification strip API NH™, **24	(Branhamella catarrhalis)				
1016 Identification of cultured bacteria and fungi using non-nucleic acid based techniques - .03 Identification of fungi by microscopic morphology	Fungal Investigation of Microbiological samples (Not skin scrapings, hair and nails) / microscopic identification of fungal isolates **34	Fungal cultures	Light Microscopy examination/ with or without staining with Lactophenol aniline blue	UK standards for Microbiology SMI ID 01	Qualitative	LP-L-MIC-FUNGAL
1016 Identification of cultured bacteria and fungi using non-nucleic acid based techniques - .04 Identification using MALDI- TOF Spectroscopy	Identification of microorganisms using: Maldi-Tof Spectroscopy **234	Bacterial and Fungal culture isolates (excluding moulds)	Bruker Madli-Tof / Mass Spectrometry	CE	Qualitative	LP-L-MIC-MALDI
1017 Measurement of antimicrobial activity and application of clinical interpretive criteria to general bacteria (rapidly growing aerobes) - .01 Anaerobes	Antimicrobial resistance testing Anaerobes/antibiotic disc diffusion **234	Bacterial cultures	Manual/disc diffusion- standardised antibiotic concentration disc applied to solid agar inoculations of bacteria under test	CE/based on standard method (EUCAST)	Qualitative	LP-L-MIC- ASTMANUAL LP-L-MIC- ANTIMEDIQC
	Antimicrobial resistance testing Anaerobes/Minimum inhibitory concentration (MIC) **234		Manual /MIC- Graduated standardised antibiotic concentration test strips applied to solid agar inoculations of bacteria under test	CE/based on standard method (EUCAST)	Quantitative	LP-L-MIC- ASTMANUAL LP-L-MIC- ANTIMEDIQC LP-L-MIC- ETESTMICQC
1017 Measurement of antimicrobial activity and application of clinical interpretive criteria to general bacteria (rapidly growing aerobes) - .03 Yeasts	Antifungal resistance testing Yeasts/ Sensititre Yeast one MIC **234	Yeast cultures	Manual /Minimum inhibitory concentration (MIC) (Sensititre Yeast One)	CE/based on standard method (CLSI)	Quantitative	LI-L-MIC-AST-YEAST REG-202

1017 Measurement of antimicrobial activity and application of clinical interpretive criteria to general bacteria (rapidly growing aerobes) - .05 Other categories of organism (as specified)	Antimicrobial resistance testing - /antibiotic disc diffusion **234	Bacterial cultures	Manual /disc diffusion-standardised antibiotic concentration disc applied to solid agar inoculations of bacteria under test	CE/based on standard method (EUCAST)	Qualitative	LP-L-MIC-ASTMANUAL LP-L-MIC-ANTIMEDIQC
	Antimicrobial resistance testing - /Minimum inhibitory concentration (MIC) **234		Manual / MIC-Graduated standardised antibiotic concentration test strips applied to solid agar inoculations of bacteria under test	CE/based on standard method (EUCAST)	Quantitative	LP-L-MIC-ASTMANUAL LP-L-MIC-ANTIMEDIQC LP-L-MIC-ETESTMICQC
	Antimicrobial resistance testing - /Sensititre ARIS **234		Trek Sensititre ARIS/Semi-automated Breakpoint/minimum inhibitory concentration (MIC)	CE/based on standard method (EUCAST)	Qualitative	LP-L-MIC-EQPARIS,
1029 Miscellaneous - .99 Miscellaneous tests	Pregnancy Testing / Alere™ hCG **4	Urine	Alere hCG cassette / Chromatographic immunoassay	CE	Qualitative	LP-L-MIC-PREGALERE

The laboratory has been awarded flexible scope in the scope classifications as noted in the scope document and in accordance with the laboratory's approved and documented procedures.

Note 1 - Range may be extended for the test

Note 2 – New parameters/tests may be added

Note 3 – New matrices may be added

Note 4 – Changes to equipment/kits where the underlying methodology does not change

For further details please refer to the laboratory's 'List of flexible scope changes', available directly from the laboratory.