

RCI Request Form



Blood and Transplant

2 EDTA samples are required for all serological investigations failure to comply could result in an incomplete investigation

Samples will not be tested unless a minimum of three points of matching identification is used on both forms **and** sample tubes (see over)
All sections of the form marked * must be completed. Please write clearly in capitals using **BLACK** ink.

Patient ID stickers may be used on the form.
Place within the allocated dotted line indicated below.

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Urgent requests MUST be telephoned.

*Hospital and requestor details

Full Hospital name.....
Hospital (NHS code) Hospital sample ID number
Contact Phone number for queries.....
Sample: Date Sample: time taken :

*Patient details

Surname
First Name
DOB
NHS No*
Hospital Number
*If unavailable for private or paternal samples please complete address on reverse of form
Please place sticker within the dotted line
M F Other Ethnic code Patient Donor
EDD

*Investigations requested:

Antenatal Reference FMH Crossmatch Paternal Additional tests
Please select investigation required. Please use X not

Crossmatch Request

Number of crossmatched units required? Date & time.....
Special requirements: (e.g. CMV neg, irradiated).....

*Clinical details (Antenatal) Prophylaxis within the last 6 months? Please use X not

Not Known No Yes If yes; Date
28-week antibody screen result Pos Neg and Dose

Paternal or cord samples: Please give details of linked antenatal patient:

Name: Date of birth:.....
NHSBT/NHS number.....

*Clinical details (Reference) Diagnosis:

Transfusion within the last 3 months?
Not Known No Yes If yes, date of most recent:
Hb & date:

Other relevant clinical information. Please provide further details including antibodies specificity / techniques / bleed size if FMH / monoclonal antibody therapy / transplant history

Referring Laboratory's findings:

Blood group.....DAT.....Antibodies.....

*Signature *Date

NHSBT USE

Type of sample if not EDTA:

NHSBT sample number

Date / time sample received

Sample identification

NHSBT will not normally test samples unless three or more identical points of identification are used on both forms and tubes.

For example:

1. Patient's surname AND forename. Initials are not sufficient.
2. NHS number and/or hospital number and/or address*.
3. Date of birth.

***Address will only be accepted for paternal or private samples. Please complete below.**

- **Samples MUST be labelled, dated and signed by the person taking them.**
- **'Addressograph' labels are not acceptable on samples.** [Not applicable where demand printed label use agreement exists]
- **Samples MUST be fresh enough on receipt at NHSBT to allow testing within 7 days of venepuncture.**

Samples required

All investigations require 2 x 6mL EDTA with the following exceptions:-

ABO/Rh grouping problems	1 x 6mL EDTA
Extended RBC phenotype	1 x 6mL EDTA
Haemolytic transfusion reaction	2 x 6mL EDTA post transfusion
Haemolytic disease of the newborn	1 x 6mL EDTA pre transfusion + lines/remnants from units
Paternal phenotyping	2 x 6mL EDTA + 1mL cord blood
Quantification of FMH or other minor RBC population	1 x 6mL EDTA
All other investigations	1 x 6mL EDTA
	Please contact your local RCI laboratory

Please ship all samples at room temperature. For postage packaging must comply with the Carriage and Packaging of Dangerous Goods Act.

Ethnic origin codes

WHITE	British	A	BLACK/BLACK BRITISH	Caribbean	M
	Irish	B		African	N
	Other White	C		Other Black	P
MIXED	White + Black Caribbean	D	OTHER ETHNIC GROUPS		
	White + Black African	E		Chinese	R
	White + Asian	F		Any other	S
	Other Mixed	G		Not stated	Z
ASIAN/BRITISH ASIAN					
	Indian	H			
	Pakistani	J			
	Bangladeshi	K			
	Other Asian	L			

RCI Laboratory telephone numbers

RCI Referral lab	Daytime	Out of hours
Barnsley	0122 686 8011	0122 686 8061
Birmingham	0121 278 4063	0121 278 4037
Colindale	0208 957 2831	0208 957 2800
Filton	0117 921 7380	0117 969 3927
Liverpool	0151 268 7148	0151 268 7170
Newcastle	0191 202 4416	0191 202 4400
Tooting	0203 123 8349	0203 123 8352

Paternal/private samples only

Address: