

To: Transfusion Laboratory Managers, Transfusion Practitioners, Consultant Haematologist with responsibility for Blood Transfusion

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RCI – Change in Primary Technology

Dear Colleagues

You will be aware that RCI communicated in The Update in March that we are transitioning our primary technology to Grifols from Bio-Rad.

RCI went live with Grifols technology on the 1st of May.

We are retaining Bio-Rad technology for specific tests and your RCI reports will indicate the technology that has been utilised.

We have submitted an Extension to Scope request for the techniques that will utilise Grifols technology and are currently undergoing our UKAS assessments for these. Whilst this extension to scope is being processed, Grifols technology is not yet UKAS accredited and is not yet listed on our UKAS Schedule of Accreditation (8740).

As per previous communications, there remains no impact to your services.

Yours sincerely

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