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Locations covered by the organisation and their relevant activities

Laboratory locations:

Location details	Activity	Location code
Microbiology and Virology Department Freeman Hospital Freeman Road Newcastle upon Tyne NE7 7DN Jennifer Collins	Microbiology Viral Serology Molecular Techniques	A

Site activities performed away from the locations listed above:

Location details	Activity	Location code
North East Innovation Lab, The Biosphere, Newcastle Helix, Drayman's Way, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE4 5BX Jamie Burbeck	Viral Molecular Techniques	B
Molecular Hot lab Department of Blood Sciences Royal Victoria Infirmary Queen Victoria Road Newcastle upon Tyne NE1 4LP Jennifer Collins	Molecular Techniques	C



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Serum unless otherwise stated	HAV IgM	Roche Modular Analytics E801 using ECLIA measurements: Roche modular E801 (line 2) using elecsys anti-HAV IgM kit. SEROLSOP032	A
	HBsAg - Screening	Roche modular E801 (line 1 and 2) using elecsys anti-HBSAG II kit. SEROLSOP034	
	HBcAb – Screening	Roche modular E801 (line 1 and 2) using elecsys anti-HBc II kit. SEROLSOP034	
	HBsAb *Detected/Not Detected and titre reported.	Roche modular E801 (line 2) using elecsys anti-HBs II kit. SEROLSOP034	A
Serum	CMV IgG - Screening	Roche modular E801 (line 2) using elecsys CMVG kit. SEROLSOP023	A



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Serum	CMV IgM	Roche modular E801 (line 2) using elecsys CMVM kit. SEROLSOP075	A
	HCV Ab- screening	Roche modular E801 (line 1 and 2) using elecsys anti-HCV II kit. SEROLSOP033	A
	Rubella IgG – screening	Roche modular E801 (line 2) using elecsys Rubella IgG II kit. SEROLSOP064	A
	Syphilis screening (detection of antibodies to Treponema pallidum)	Roche modular E801 (line 1 and 2) using elecsys Syphilis ECLIA kit. SEROLSOP005	A
	HIV – screening	Roche modular E801 (line 1 and 2) using elecsys HIV duo kit. SEROLSOP030	A
	Toxoplasma IgG	Roche modular E801 (line 2) using elecsys Toxo IGG kit. SEROLSOP024	A



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HUMAN BODY TISSUE AND FLUIDS (cont'd) Serum unless otherwise stated (cont'd)	<u>Serological examination activities for the purpose of clinical diagnosis (cont'd)</u>	Roche Modular Analytics e411 using ECLIA measurements: Documented in-house methods to meet the requirements of the Infectious Diseases in Pregnancy screening programme as defined in the July 2018 'Infectious Diseases in Pregnancy screening programme: laboratory Quality Assurance evidence requirements for antenatal screening'.	A
	HBsAg - Screening	Elecsys HBsAg II SEROLSOP034 & SEROLSOP077	A
	HCV Ab- screening	Elecsys Anti-HCV SEROLSOP033 & SEROLSOP077	A
Serum	HIV - Screening	Elecsys HIV combi PT SEROLSOP030	A
Dry Blood spot (DBS)	Screening- HIV, HBsAg, HCV Ab, Syphilis	Roche E411 using ECLIA measurements. Elecsys HIVcombi PT kit, Elecsys HBsAg II kit, elecsys anti-HCV II kit, Elecsys Syphilis kit. SEROLSOP077	A



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Serum	Syphilis Confirmation (detection of antibodies to Treponema pallidum)	Launch DS2 using DIA.PRO Diagnostics Syphilis IgM ELISA. SEROLSOP005	A
Serum	ASOT *Titre reported	Roche Modular analytics C702 - COBAS ASLO assay-immunoturbidometric BS-SOP-OP-Biochem-84 SEROLSOP076	A



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Serum	HBeAg	Roche E411 using ECLIA measurements: Elecsys HBeAg assay SEROLSOP034	A
	HBeAb	Elecsys Anti-HBe assay SEROLSOP034	A
	Rubella IgM	Elecsys Rubella IgM SEROLSOP064	A
Serum	HAV IgG	DiaSorin Liaison XL analyser using ECLIA measurement: Anti-HAV SEROLSOP032 SEROLSOP016	A
	HIV Ag/Ab	SEROLSOP030	A
EDTA, Whole blood	HCV Ab	Liaison XL analyser. Murex HCV Ab SEROLSOP016 & SEROLSOP033	



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Serum (cont'd)	Parvovirus IgG	Biotrin Parvovirus B19 IgG SEROLSOP016 SEROLSOP031	A
	Parvovirus IgM	Biotrin Parvovirus B19 IgM SEROLSOP016 SEROLSOP031	A
	EBNA IgG	EBNA IgG SEROLSOP023 SEROLSOP016	A
	EBV VCA IgM	EBV VCA IgM SEROLSOP023 SEROLSOP016	A
	EBV VCA IgG	EBV VCA IgG SEROLSOP023 SEROLSOP016	A
Serum (cont'd)		DiaSorin Liaison XL analyser using ECLIA measurement	
	Lyme Disease IgG	Borrelia IgG SEROLSOP073 SEROLSOP016	A
	Lyme Disease IgM	Borrelia IgM II SEROLSOP073 SEROLSOP016	A
	Measles IgG	Measles IgG SEROLSOP021 SEROLSOP016	A
	Measles IgM	Measles IgM SEROLSOP021 SEROLSOP016	A
	VZV IgG	VZV IgG SEROLSOP016 SEROLSOP017	A



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Serum (cont'd)	Herpes IgG	HSV 1/ 2 IgG SEROLSOP016 SEROLSOP017	A
	Mumps IgG	Mumps IgG SEROLSOP016 SEROLSOP074	A
	Mumps IgM	Mumps IgM SEROLSOP074	A
	HTLV I/II	HTLV I/II SEROLSOP016 & SEROLSOP044	A
Serum		BioMerieux mini VIDAS using ELFA measurement: Documented in-house methods to meet the requirements of the Infectious Diseases in Pregnancy screening programme as defined in the July 2018 'Infectious Diseases in Pregnancy screening programme: laboratory Quality Assurance evidence requirements for antenatal screening'.	A
	HBsAg - Confirmation	HBsAg Ultra SEROLSOP012 SEROLSOP034	A
	HBcAb - Confirmation	Anti-HBc Total II SEROLSOP012 SEROLSOP034	A



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Serum		BioMerieux mini VIDAS using ELFA measurement:	
Serum unless otherwise stated (cont'd)	HBcIgM	HBc IgM II SEROLSOP034 SEROLSOP012	A
	CMV IgG - Confirmation	CMV IgG SEROLSOP012 SEROLSOP075	A
	CMV IgG Avidity	CMV IgG Avidity II SEROLSOP012 SEROLSOP075	A
	Toxoplasma IgM	Toxo IgM SEROLSOP012 SEROLSOP024	A
	Hepatitis E IgG	Launch DS2 using Fortress Diagnostics ELISA. SEROLSOP061, assay SEROLSOP040	A



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Serum	Hepatitis E IgM	Launch DS2 using Fortress Diagnostics ELISA. SEROLSOP061, assay SEROLSOP040	A
Serum unless otherwise stated		Documented in-house methods to meet the requirements of the Infectious Diseases in Pregnancy screening programme as defined in the July 2018 'Infectious Diseases in Pregnancy screening programme: laboratory Quality Assurance evidence requirements for antenatal screening'.	A
	RPR titre	Launch Diagnostics ASI RPR- Manual assay agglutination SEROLSOP005	A
Urine samples	Legionella Ag	Manual assay (Immunochromatography) using Meridian TRU Legionella Ag assay SEROLSOP070	A
Serum/CSF	Cryptococcal Ag	Immy Latex-Cryptococcus antigen-latex agglutination SEROLSOP038	A
Serum	Detection of SARS-CoV-2 total antibodies	Elecsys® Anti-SARS-CoV-2 assay on the Roche cobas® e411 serology analyser SEROLSOP078	C



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Serum	HIV confirmation-typing	Biorad Geenius-Immunochromatography SEROLSOP012SEROLSOP035	A
HUMAN TISSUE AND FLUIDS	<u>Microbiological examination activities for the purpose of clinical diagnosis</u>	In house documented procedures following current Public Health England (PHE) Standards for Microbiological Investigations (SMIs)	
Swabs (various sites including Wound /Ear/ Eye/ Throat etc.), Tissue Samples (multiple types non-respiratory tract).	Isolation of microorganisms of clinical significance	Standard bacteriological culture, identification and microscopy methods MICROSOP054 MICROSOP056	A
Sputum, BAL, NPS, ETS, cough swabs, tissue and fluid samples (e.g. pleural fluids/biopsy and other respiratory tract fluids and tissues)	Isolation of microorganisms of clinical significance	Standard bacteriological culture, identification and microscopy methods MICROSOP005 MICROSOP052 MICROSOP053	A
Blood	Isolation of microorganisms of clinical significance	Blood culture with automated detection of positive growth Biomerieux BacT/Alert MICROSOP060	A A



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Intravascular IV lines	Isolation of microorganisms of clinical significance	Standard bacteriological culture, identification and microscopy methods MICROSOP066	A
Stool samples	Enteric sample culture and sensitivity testing for <i>Salmonella</i> , <i>Shigella</i> , <i>E.coli</i> 0157, <i>Campylobacter</i> , <i>Vibrio</i> , <i>Yersinia</i> , other food poisoning organisms	Standard bacteriological culture, identification and microscopy methods MICROSOP058	A
Rectal swabs	Carbapenemase Producing Enterobacteria Screening	Manual culture using E&O Colorex mSuperCarba agar MICROSOP083	A
Stool, urine samples, liver abscesses	Detection of Ova, Cysts and parasites (OCP)	Microscopic examination either direct and/or faecal concentration DIASYS Midi Parasep faecal parasite concentrator. Examination for ova and cysts of human parasites. MICROSOP071	A
Nose, throat, perineal, Wound, Groin, Swabs, Fluid samples	MRSA screening	E+O chromogenic Colorex MRSA media. MICROSOP059	A



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Stool samples	Detection of <i>Clostridium difficile</i> glutamate dehydrogenase and Toxins A & B	Biomerieux GDH kit :VIDAS-antigen detection MICROSOP074	A
		Biomerieux <i>C.difficile</i> toxin kit: VIDAS MICROSOP074	A
Stool samples	Confirmation of <i>C.difficile</i> positives.	PCR using Cepheid GeneXpert, Xpert® <i>C. difficile</i> kit. MICROSOP074	A
Stool Samples	Detection of Norovirus DNA	PCR using Cepheid GeneXpert MICROSOP077	A
Urine, genital swabs, throat swabs	Neisseria gonorrhoeae confirmation	Cepheid Xpert CT/NG kit. PCRSOP044	A



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Skin hair and nail samples. Respiratory samples, tissue and fluids including CSF samples, swabs. Oesophageal brushings.	Identification of Fungi of clinical significance and Fungal susceptibility testing.	Microscopy and standard fungal culture methods. MICROSOP050	A
Urine Samples	Urine cell counts, culture and identification of microorganisms of clinical significance	Instrumentation Laboratories IQ200 Sprint Analyser. Using Biomerieux Chromogenic CPSE agar MICROSOP018 MICROSOP063	A
Nose, Throat, Perineal, Wound Swabs, Fluid Samples	<i>Staph.aureus</i> screening and chromogenic culture for MRSA	E&O Colorex chromogenic <i>S.aureus</i> MICRO SOP059	A
CSF Fluids (non-respiratory tract)	Quantitative cell counts, Bacteriological culture and identification of microorganisms of clinical significance	Quantitative cell counts - KOVA slides. Standard bacteriological culture, identification and microscopy methods MICROSOP051 MICROSOP056 -	A
Bacterial isolates/ Direct samples from Blood Cultures	Bacterial Identification	Bruker MALDI-TOF MICROSOP076	A
Bacterial isolates from samples listed above	Susceptibility testing	By disc diffusion - EUCAST Testing and Zone sizes MICROSOP068 MICROSOP072	A
Bacterial Isolates	Rapid detection of MRSA	BioRad Pastorex - MRSA PBP2a-- Latex agglutination MICROSOP036	A



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Streptococcal isolates	Identification of Streptococcal Groups A, B, C, D, F, G	Oxoid Strep Grouping- Latex agglutination MICROSOP393	A
	Mycobacteriology	Auramine Phenol stain using Fluorescent microscopy methodology and Olympus microscope TB SOP 004, 005, 009	A
Respiratory samples, Fluids, CSF, tissue, bone Marrow, Blood, urine	Identification of Acid Fast Bacilli (AFB)		A
Respiratory samples, Fluids, CSF, tissue, bone Marrow, Blood, urine	Isolation and presumptive identification of Mycobacterial species	Manual Culture using LJ and Kirschner culture media- TB SOP 002, 004, 005, 006 and 044	A
Respiratory samples, Fluids, CSF, tissue, bone Marrow,	Isolation and presumptive identification of Mycobacterial species	Liquid media using BD TB MGIT TBSOP045 and 046	A
		Launch DS2 using Quantiferon Tb gold plus kit (Qiagen)	A
Blood	Interferon Gamma	TBSOP008	A
	Detection of:		
Respiratory samples	Mycobacterium Tuberculosis rpoB gene mutation for Rifampicin resistance	Cepheid Gene Xpert using Real time PCR: TBSOP024	A
Clinical isolates of HG2 Mycobacteria	Mycobacterial sensitivity test	TREK Sensititre trays (Thermofisher). TBSOP049.	A
Serum, BAL	Galactamannan testing	Manual ELISA assay using BioRad Platelia Aspergillus Ag kit. MICROSOP050.	A



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HUMAN TISSUE AND FLUIDS	<u>Molecular biology examination activities for the purpose of clinical diagnosis</u>	In house documented procedures following current Public Health England (PHE) Standards for Microbiological Investigations (SMIs)	
Pernasal swabs	Bordetella pertussis ptxP and 1S481 genes	ABI 7500 taqman using in house assays and real-time PCR: PCRSOP001	A
Sputum, viral nasal swabs, viral throat swabs	Viral respiratory panel for detection of Flu A H1 and H3 subtypes	TIB LightMix Modular RT-PCR, Roche Flow. PCRSOP028	A
Sputum, viral nasal swabs, viral throat swabs	Viral respiratory panel for detection of: Flu A Flu B RSV Parainfluenza 1-4 HMPV Rhinovirus Adenovirus	TIB LightMix Modular RT-PCR, Roche Flow. PCRSOP0036	A
BAL induced sputum	Detection of <i>Pneumocystis jirovecii</i>	Easymag/MagNAPure, ABI7500 fast. PCRSOP039	A



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		Roche Flow system using Roche light cycler and the TIB Gastro kit:	
	Enteric pathogen panel to detect genetic sequences on the following:	PCRSOP003and 016 PCRSOP007	A
Faeces	Adenovirus Norovirus Astrovirus Rotavirus		
CSF, swabs, stool	Enterovirus	Roche Flow using Altona kit. PCRSOP052	A
	Parechovirus	Roche Flow using R gene kit, Biomerieux. PCRSOP046	A
Lesion swabs/skin swabs, CSF	HSV1	Roche Flow using Altona Alpha herpes kit PCRSOP045	A A
	HSV2 VZV		A A
Whole blood, urine, CSF, tissues, respiratory samples	Adenovirus	Roche Flow system using RealStar kit, Altona PCRSOP042	A A
	CMV EBV		
Faeces	Adenovirus F	Roche Flow using TIB Gastro kit. PCRSOP007	



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Blood, CSF, Swabs, tissue	HHV6	Roche Flow system using Roche light cyclers and in-house assay PCRSOP063	A
Serum/ plasma	Quantification of: HIV-1 HBV RNA HCV RNA	Roche Cobas 6800 using NAAT technology for the following assays: SEROLSOP030 Roche kit and SEROLSOP034	A A
Urine, swabs	Chlamydia trachomatis & Neisseria gonorrhoeae (CT/NG)	Roche kit and SEROLSOP033 Roche kit and PCRSOP032 PCRSOP030	A A
HUMAN TISSUES AND FLUIDS			
EDTA	HCV Genotyping	Inno-LIPA, Eppendorf master cycler, autoblot 3000. PCRSOP076	A



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Nose and throat swabs in VTM/UTM	Detection and differentiation of lineage β -betacoronavirus (β - β CoV) and Severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2) specific RNA. Specifically, E and Orf1a/b gene targets	Roche Cobas 6800 using cobas® SARS-CoV-2 RT-PCR PCRSOP048	A
Nose and throat swabs in VTM/UTM		Kingfisher Extraction Platform (for use with the Altona assay) (Omega BioTek MagBind viral DNA/RNA 96 kit), Altona RealStar SARS-CoV-2 test kit. PCRSOP053.	A
Nose and throat swabs in VTM/UTM, respiratory secretions, Endotracheal secretions (ETS), Nasopharyngeal secretions (NPS), sputum, Bronchoalveolar lavage (BAL), respiratory swabs.	Detection and differentiation of lineage β -betacoronavirus (β - β CoV) and Severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2) specific RNA. Specifically, E and S gene targets	Roche FLOW system 2 using Altona RealStar RT-PCR Assay (PSU + MagNA Pure 96 with Viral NA SV kit + LC480 thermocycler). PCRSOP051	A
Nose and throat swabs in VTM/UTM, respiratory secretions, Endotracheal secretions (ETS), Nasopharyngeal secretions (NPS), sputum, Bronchoalveolar lavage (BAL), respiratory swabs.	Detection and differentiation of lineage β -betacoronavirus (β - β CoV) and Severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2) specific RNA. Specifically, E and S gene targets	Applied Biosystems 7500/7500 FAST PCR Platform using Altona RealStar RT-PCR Assay using specified extraction robots (MagNA Pure 96 or Biomerieux NucliSENS easyMAG) PCRSOP050	A



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Throat swabs, nose swabs, NT swabs, NPS, ETS and BAL in VTM	Respiratory pathogen (RP2.1) detection targets Adenovirus, Coronavirus [220E, HKU, NL3, OC43], SARS-CoV-2, MERS, hMPV, Rhino/enterovirus, Influenza A [H1, H3, H1-2009], Influenza B, Parainfluenza 1, 2, 3, 4, RSV, <i>Bordetella parapertussis</i> , <i>Bordetella pertussis</i> , <i>Chlamydia pneumoniae</i> , <i>Mycoplasma pneumoniae</i>	BioFire Film Array RPP2.1 on BioFire Torch analyser. PCRSOP058	A
Nose/Throat Swab in VTM	Detection and differentiation of lineage β -betacoronavirus (β - β CoV) and Severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2) specific RNA. Specifically, E and N2 gene targets	RT-PCR Assay using Cepheid Gene Xpert PCRSOP055	A
Upper respiratory samples	Detection of SARS-CoV-2 RNA	Thermo Fisher Scientific KingFisher Apex system. Applied Biosystems TaqPath COVID-19 kit INNOVSOP010 INNOVSOP011 INNOVSOP012	B
Respiratory samples	Flu A H1 and H3 subtypes	Biofire, Rpp2.1 plus kit. PCRSOP058	A
Respiratory samples	Viral Respiratory panel: FluA, FluB, Para 1-4, hMPV, Rhinovirus, Enterovirus, Adenovirus.	Biofire, RPP2.1 plus kit. PCRSOP058	A



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Nose/Throat Swab in VTM, Throat Swab, BAL in VTM	Detection and differentiation of lineage β -betacoronavirus (β - β CoV) and Severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2) specific RNA. Specifically, E and N2 gene targets, Also, Flu/RSV respiratory viruses, Flu A+B	RT-PCR Multiplex Assay (Influenza A/B/RSV/SAR-CoV-2) using Cepheid Gene Xpert LAB-MED-RCOV-SOP003. PCRSOP055 PCRSOP059	A, C
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