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Locations covered by the organisation and their relevant activities

Laboratory locations:

Location details	Activity	Location code
Address: Department of Cellular Pathology Pathology Centre C37 New Cross Hospital Wolverhampton Road Wolverhampton WV10 0QP	Local contact Rita Mistry	Histopathology Cervical Cytology HPV testing Diagnostic Cytology Molecular testing KRAS/NRAS/BRAF
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HUMAN TISSUE AND BODY FLUIDS	<u>Histopathology examination activities in order to identify or exclude morphological and cytological abnormalities for the purpose of diagnosis</u>		
Fresh human tissue		Manufacturer's instructions and documented in house methods specified below: <u>Decalcification</u> Manual method using SOP HIS/SOP/097 and chemical end point testing.	A
Fixed, paraffin-wax processed tissue		Specimen Dissection Manual method using documented in house procedure HIS/SOP/213 Skin Punch Biopsy Dissection Protocol HIS/SOP/202 Open Diagnostic Biopsies HIS/SOP/027Cystectomy HIS/SOP/028Ischaemic Bowel HIS/SOP/024 Nephrectomy HIS/SOP/191Specimen Trimming Room - Specimen Dissection HIS/SOP039/ Biomedical Scientist (BMS) Specimen Dissection (Category A) HIS/SOP/214 Biomedical Scientist (BMS) Specimen Dissection (Category B and C) HIS/SOP/029Specimen Dissection Procedure - Bowel Cancer Screening Polyps HIS/SOP/033Specimen Dissection Procedure – Larynx HIS/SOP/032Specimen Dissection Procedure - Salivary Gland HIS/SOP/022 Specimen Dissection Procedure - Foreskin	A



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Fixed, paraffin-wax processed tissue (cont'd)		Specimen Dissection Manual method using documented in house procedure HIS/SOP/021 Specimen Dissection Procedure - Vas Deferens HIS/SOP/031 Specimen Dissection Procedure - Thyroid HIS/SOP/020 Specimen Dissection Procedure - Appendix HIS/SOP/019 Specimen Dissection Procedure - Gall Bladder HIS/SOP/023 Dissection Breast specimens HIS/SOP/034 Gynae resection samples HIS/SOP/037 Specilaised Tissue slow MOHS alopecia and vocal cords HIS/SOP/141 Specimen dissection Placenta HIS/SOP/163 Prostatectomy HIS/SOP/187 Wide Local Excision – Breast HIS/SOP/212 Sentinel Lymph node biopsy and lymphomadenextony melanoma HIS/SOP/103 Receipt storage and disposal of products of conception	A
		Tissue processing Leica Peloris and Thermo Fisher Excelsior tissue processors HIS/SOP/090 Peloris Processing Machine HIS/SOP/089 Excelsior Processing Machines HIS/SOP/225 Sakura VIP tissue processor	A
		Tissue embedding Sakura Finetek Tec 5 CME and Thermo Histostar in HIS/SOP/193	A



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Fixed, paraffin-wax processed tissue (cont'd)		Tissue Microtomy Manual method using documented procedure - Rotary microtomes HIS/SOP/196 Microtomy	A
Fresh (unfixed and unprocessed tissue)		Leica CM1900 Cryostat HIS/SOP/040HIS Use and Maintenance of the cryostat	A
	Examination of tissues in order to identify or exclude morphological and cytological abnormalities for the purpose of diagnosis	HIS/SOP/140 Frozen Sections	A
Fixed paraffin processed tissue on slides	Tissue architecture and nuclear detail (identification of basophilic and eosinophilic structures)	Haematoxylin & Eosin staining Sakura Finetek Prisma and Sakura Finetek Film HIS/SOP/006	A



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Fixed, paraffin processed tissue on slides (cont'd)	Special staining for the identification of:	manual staining technique: HIS	A
	Mast cells H. pylori	Giemsa technique (manual) HIS/SOP/106 BMT samples HIS/SOP/112 for H. pylori	
	Gram positive and Gram negative organisms	Gram HIS/SOP/111	
	Fibrin	Martius Yellow Brilliant Crystal Scarlet Soluble Blue (MSB) HIS/SOP/108	
	Melanin	Masson Fontana silver HIS/SOP/105	
	Hepatitis B surface antigen, copper-associated protein and elastic connective tissue fibres	Orcein (Shikata) Mega blocks – Manual HIS/SOP/113	
	Collagen connective tissue fibres	van-Gieson HIS/SOP/109	
	Mast cells / metachromatic tissue components	Toluidine Blue technique HIS/SOP/110	



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Fixed, paraffin processed tissue on slides (cont'd)	Special staining for the identification of: (cont'd)		
	Weakly sulphated and acidic mucins	Alcian Blue (AB)	
	Acidic and neutral mucins	Alcian Blue Periodic Acid-Schiff (AB PAS) (With Haematoxylin)	
	Acidic and neutral mucins	Alcian Blue Periodic Acid-Schiff (AB PAS)	
	Amyloid	Congo Red	
	Elastic connective tissue fibres	Elastic van-Gieson (EVG)	
	Reticulin connective tissue fibres	Reticulin	
	Fungi	Grocott	
	Iron / haemosiderin	Perls Prussian Blue	
	Connective tissue elements	Masson Trichrome	
	Hepatitis B surface antigen, copper-associated protein and elastic connective tissue fibres	Orcein (Shikata)	
	Glycogen, mucopolysaccharide components, fungi and basement membranes	Periodic Acid-Schiff (PAS)	
	Glycogen	Diastase Periodic Acid-Schiff (D PAS)	
	Basement membranes	P.A. Methenamine silver (PAS M, Jones Hexamine Silver)	
	Spirochaetes	Warthin Starry	
	Acid and alcohol-fast bacilli	Ziehl-Neelsen (ZN)	



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Fixed, paraffin processed tissue on slides (cont'd)	Immunocytochemistry Identification of: Prostate carcinoma Pan cytokeratin Non-small cell lung carcinoma Embryonic cell in normal cell and germ tumours Amyloid Diffuse lymph proliferative disease and neoplastic cells of follicular lymphoma Lymphoma Epithelial cell types Carcinoma B cells, plasma cells follicular lymphoma and lymphomas Complement Ovarian epithelial malignancies, seminal vesical carcinoma, anaplastic lymphoma Pancreatic and GI tumours Parafollicular cells in thyroid and medullar thyroid carcinomas Mesothelioma Langerhans cells T cells T cell subsets T cells (helper and mature) T cells T cell lymphoma T ALL and lymphomas T cell subset Mature B cells, follicular dendritic cells, CALLA Granulocytes, Reed Sternberg cells B cells Mature B cells Follicular dendritic cells B cells	Automated Immunocytochemistry Roche Ventana Benchmark Ultra HIS/SOP/119 Androgen Receptor (AR) AE1 / 3 Multicytokeratin ALK-1 Alpha Fetoprotein (AFP) Amyloid A Bcl-2 Bcl-6 Ber-EP4 Beta Catenin BOB-1 C3c CA125 CA19.9 Calcitonin Calretinin CD1a CD2 CD3 CD4 CD5 CD7 CD8 CD10 CD15 CD20 CD21 CD22	



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Fixed, paraffin processed tissue on slides (cont'd)	Immunocytochemistry Identification of: (cont'd) Gastro Intestinal Stromal tumours Normal duct epithelium, ductal carcinoma Normal and neoplastic epithelium Adenocarcinoma Nuclei of cells containing high levels of oestrogen VW factor in endothelial cells Fibrohistiocytic marker Thyroid, head and neck tumours Breast epithelium Schwann cells, enteric glial cells, astrocytomas, ependymomas T cells Placental trophoblasts Hepatocellular carcinoma Breast carcinoma typing Human Herpes Virus 8 Melanoma marker IgA IgD IgG IgM Sex cord stromal tumours Proliferating cells Leucocytes Melanoma marker Mesothelial cells Pan cytokeratin Lympho-haemopoietic tumours Neutrophil granulocytes, monocytes Rhabdomyoblastic differentiation	DOG-1 E-Cadherin Epithelial Membrane Antigen ESA/MOC31 Estrogen Receptor (ER) Factor VIII Factor XIIIa Galectin 3 GATA 3 GFAP Granzyme HCG Hep Par 1 (Hepatocyte) Herceptin (HER 2) C-ERB2 HHV8 HMB45 IgA IgD IgG IgM Inhibin Ki67 Leukocyte Common Antigen Melan-A Mesothelial Cell Marker MNF116 MUM-1 Myeloperoxidase Myoglobin	



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	Mismatch Repair (MMR) Protein expression in colorectal cancer	Automated Immunocytochemistry methods using manufacturers instructions for Dako Autostainer and PT Link and in house method HIS/SOP/149 MLH-1 MSH-2 MSH-6 PMS-2	A
Fixed, paraffin processed tissue	Molecular examination of tissues for the purpose of diagnosis	Automated qualitative PCR using = Biocartis Idylla and KRAS, NRAS and BRAF kits HIS/SOP/149	A
	Detection of mutations of KRAS, NRAS and BRAF for colorectal cancer	KRAS NRAS BRAF	A
Paraffin processed tissue Fresh frozen tissue	Opinions and Interpretations Interpretation of histology and cytology staining	Microscopy using HIS/SOP/088 Reporting Guidelines for Consultant and Trainee Clinical Staff HIS/SOP/036 Handling and Reporting of Specimens with Suspected Lymphoma	A



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Bronchial brushings Sputum	Non-Gynae Cytology Detection of Cytological abnormality to aid clinical diagnosis	Manual staining (Diff Quik Romanowsky stain variant CYT/SOP/43 Rapi-Diff II (MGG) technique Sakura Finetek DRS2000 platform (Papanicolaou) CYT/SOP/22 Papanicolaou staining and coverslipping procedure E3.C024P.CYT Non-Gynae Cytology Specimen Preparation	A
Bronchial washings		Sakura Finetek DRS2000 platform (Papanicolaou) CYT/SOP/22 Papanicolaou staining and coverslipping procedure CYT/SOP/15 Processing and reprocessing of LBC samples and associated equipment maintenance CYT/SOP/13 Non-Gynae Cytology Specimen Preparation CYT/SOP/81 Bronchial Alveolar Lavage sample preparation	A
Cerebrospinal Fluid (CSF)		Manual staining (Diff Quik Romanowsky) CYT/SOP/43 Rapi- Diff-II (MGG) technique CYT/SOP/13 Non-Gynae Cytology Specimen Preparation	A
Fine Needle Aspirates (Predominantly Head and Neck samples)		Hettich Rotina 380 Sakura Finetek DRS2000 (Papanicolaou) CYT/SOP/22 manual staining (Diff Quik Romanowsky) CYT/SOP/43 Rapi-Diff-II (MGG) technique Non-Gynae Cytology Specimen Preparation	A



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Gastro-Intestinal (GI) and biliary brushings	Non-Gynae Cytology (cont'd) Detection of Cytological abnormality to aid clinical diagnosis	Manufacturer's instructions for Sakura Finetek DRS2000 platform (Papanicolaou) CYT/SOP/22 Papanicolaou staining and coverslipping procedure CYT/SOP/13 Non-Gynae Cytology Specimen Preparation	A
Joint fluids	Detection of monosodium urate and calcium pyrophosphate crystals	Manufacturer's instructions for Hettich Rotina 380, automated staining using Sakura Finetek DRS2000 platform (Papanicolaou) CYT/SOP/22 Papanicolaou staining and coverslipping procedure CYT/SOP/13 Non-Gynae Cytology Specimen Preparation	A
Nipple discharge specimens Serous Effusions Urine		Manufacturer's instructions for Sakura Finetek DRS2000 or manual staining (Diff Quik Romanowsky CYT/SOP/22 Papanicolaou staining and coverslipping procedure CYT/SOP/22 CYT/SOP/43 Rapi-Diff II (MGG) tehniqyeCYT/SOP/13 Non-Gynae Cytology Specimen Preparation	A
Cytology Fluids	Morphological assessment and interpretation/diagnosis	Microscopy using CYT/SOP/39 Screening Synovial Fluids for crystals CYT/SOP/40 NON-GYNAE SCREENING & REPORTING	A



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ThinPrep Liquid Based Cytology samples	Cervical Cytology Detection of DNA from high risk (HR) Human Papilloma Viruses (HPV): HPV 16 HPV 18 Other HR HPV genotypes (31, 33, 35, 39, 45, 51, 52, 56, 58, 59, 66 and 68) not individually identified.	Procedure for testing High Risk HPV) using the Roche Cobas® HPV test with the Cobas® p480, 6800 and 8800 instruments. CYT/SOP/21 Procedure for testing for High Risk HPV CYT/EXE/5 Roche Cobas 6800 8800 HPV testing master documents	A
ThinPrep Liquid Based Cytology samples	Cervical Cytology screening - detection of Cytological abnormality to aid clinical diagnosis	ThinPrep Liquid-Based Cytology (LBC) Manufacturer's instructions for Hologic T5000 filtration processing and Sakura Finetek DRS2000 (Papanicolaou) in conjunction with in house documented method: CYT/SOP/22 Papanicolaou staining and coverslipping procedure CYT/SOP/15 Processing and reprocessing of LBC samples and associated equipment maintenance CYT/SOP/17 Cytology screening and reporting following primary HPV testing	A
ThinPrep Liquid Based Cytology samples prepared as above	Morphological assessment and interpretation/diagnosis Opinions and Interpretations	Microscopy & screening using CYT/SOP/18 Cervical Screening and reporting following primary HPV testing	A
END			