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DETAIL OF ACCREDITATION

Materials/Products tested	Type of test/Properties measured/Range of measurement	Standard specifications/ Equipment/Techniques used
HUMAN BODY TISSUE AND FLUIDS	Histology examination activities in order to identify or exclude morphological and cytological abnormalities for the purpose of diagnosis	In-house documented procedures using manual methods or analysers in conjunction with manufacturers' instructions as specified: Lecia RM2245 and Leica Histocore Multicut
Biopsy, excision, resection and post mortem specimens	Examination of tissues in order to identify or exclude morphological and cytological abnormalities for the purpose of diagnosis	Specimen dissection: REC025 – Specimen Trimming REC026 – Receipt and handling of tumour specimens in the laboratory Gall Bladder Hilar Plate Trimming MED001 Appendix Trimming MED002 Bone Trimming MED003
Biopsy, excision, resection and post mortem specimens	Examination of tissues in order to identify or exclude morphological and cytological abnormalities for the purpose of diagnosis	Specimen dissection: Bowel Resection Trimming MED004 REC009 – Fresh Tissue Trimming REC012 – Hirschsrung's Disease – Diagnosis and Resection REC014 – Kidney needle biopsy REC020 – Small biopsies (other than tumours) not requiring incision Brain (non Tumour) Trimming MED005 Hirschsprung Trimming MED006



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Biopsy, excision, resection and post mortem specimens	Examination of tissues in order to identify or exclude morphological and cytological abnormalities for the purpose of diagnosis	Intra-operative Procedures MED007 Lymph node Trimming MED008 Ovary, Salpinx, Uterus Trimming MED009 Paediatric Solid Tumour Trimming MED011 Retinoblastoma Trimming MED014 Spleen Trimming MED015 Thyroid Trimming MED016 Hepatectomy (Non Tumour) Trimming MED017 Kidney (Non Tumour) Ureter, PUJ Trimming MED018 Meckel Trimming MED019 Skin Trimming MED020 Specimen dissection:Surgical Specified) MED021 Testicle Adnexal Structures Trimming MED022 Tonsil Trimming MED023 REC005 – Decalcification of tissue	



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Biopsy, excision, and resection specimens	Examination of tissues in order to identify or exclude morphological and cytological abnormalities for the purpose of diagnosis	Using Lieca CM1950 for frozen sections: Cryostat Sectioning of frozen tissue – LAB010 REC003 – Snap freezing for cryomicrotomy REC010 – Frozen section for rapid diagnosis, HISEXT/LAB051 HISLAB010 – Cutting frozen sections HISLAB031 – H&E staining
Formalin Fixed Paraffin wax blocks of processed tissue.		Tissue processed using Thermo Excelsior and Epredia Excelsior AS Tissue Processors (LAB070, LAB071, HISEXT/REC010, HISEXT/REC013) Rapid Manual Paraffin Wax Processing LAB033 Eye Processing, section cutting and staining LAB087 LAB011 Trim and Section cutting of Routine Paraffin Wax Blocks LAB036, LAB037
Formalin Fixed Paraffin Embedded Tissue (FFPE) sections on glass slides	Identification of basophilic and eosinophilic structures	Automated Haematoxylin and Eosin Staining using Epredia Gemini Autostainer Slide Stainer HISLAB031 H&E Staining



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HUMAN BODY TISSUE AND FLUIDS (cont'd);	TISSUE AND Histology examination activities in order to identify or exclude morphological and cytological	Macroscopic and Microscopic examination:
	abnormalities for the purpose of diagnosis (cont'd):	In-house documented procedures using manual methods or analysers in conjunction with manufacturers' instructions as specified:
		Epredia Histostar : Embedding of routine paraffin Wax Blocks LAB014
Formalin Fixed Paraffin Embedded Tissue (FFPE) sections on glass slides	Identification of basophilic and eosinophilic structures	Manual Haematoxylin and Eosin staining LAB031, HISEXT/LAB017
		Manual staining using the following SOPs:
		REC030 – Staining procedures on Non Tumour tissue
	Acid Mucins	Alcian Blue LAB001
	Acid and neutral mucins	Alcian Blue / PAS technique LAB086
	Ganglion cells	Acetylcholinesterase Method for Rectal Biopsies? Hirschsprung's Disease LAB002
	H. Pylori	Cresyl Fast Violet LAB006
	Amyloid	Congo Red LAB009
	Copper	Modified Rhodanine Method LAB013
	Elastic and connective tissues	Elastic Van Gieson (EVG) LAB016 Orcein LAB040
	H Pylori/microorganisms & Haemapoietic cells	Giemsa LAB024
	Fungi	Grocott – Gomori Methenamine Silver Method for Fungi LAB027



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Formalin Fixed Paraffin Embedded	Melanin	Masson Fontana LAB034
Tissue (FFPE) sections on glass slides (cont'd)	Demonstration of fibrin	Martius Scarlet Blue (MSB) LAB038
	Connective tissues	Masson Trichrome LAB039 Van Gieson LAB108
	Copper associated protein, Hepatitis B surface antigen (HBSAg), and Elastic fibres	Orcein for copper associated protein, Hep B, and Elastin fibres LAB040
	Carbohydrates	Periodic Acid Schiff (PAS) for carbohydrates LAB046
	Glycogen	Periodic Acid Schiff Diastase/Amylase (PASD) for the identification of glycogen LAB047
	Demonstration of basement membranes	Periodic Acid Methenamine Silver for Basement Membranes (LAB048)
	Iron	Perls Method for ferric iron LAB048
	Reticulin Fibres	Gordon and Sweet's Silver Impregnation for Reticulin Fibres LAB054
	Mast Cells and general cytological appearance	Toluidine Blue for Mast Cells and General Cytology LAB059
	Tubercle Bacilli	Ziel-Neelson (ZN) Stain for Tubercle Bacilli LAB064
	Calcium	Silver Nitrate / Rubeanic Acid Technique for Calcium LAB084
	Gram positive and negative organisms	Gram Method for Gram Positive Organisms LAB107



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HUMAN BODY TISSUE AND FLUIDS (cont'd):	Diagnostic Cytopathology Examination of non-gynaecological specimens in order to identify or exclude morphological and cytological abnormalities for the purpose of diagnosis	
Fine needle aspirations (various sites), Serous effusions (pleural, ascetic) Respiratory fluids Urine Cyst fluids CSF		HIS/REC004 The Preparation of Non Gynae Cytology Specimens, HISEXT/LAB084
	Staining for cellular architecture and nuclear detail (identification of basophilic and eosinophilic structures)	Papanicolaou staining for cytology LAB045
CSF	Staining for cellular architecture and nuclear detail	Manual Haematoxylin and Eosin staining LAB031, HISEXT/LAB017
BAL	Lipids Fat Laden Macrophages	Oil Red O Staining LAB041
All sample types as above	Morphological assessment and interpretation/diagnosis	HISREC004 – Preparation of NG Cytology Samples MED013 – reporting Histopath samples



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HUMAN BODY TISSUE AND FLUIDS (cont'd):	Immunohistochemistry examination activities for the purposes of clinical diagnosis	Documented in-house methods and Roche BenchMark Ultra Immunostainer manufacturer's instructions for:
Formalin Fixed Paraffin Embedded Tissue (FFPE) sections on glass slides and non gynae cytology preparations:		Automated Immunohistochemistry Methods LAB110, HISEXT/LAB029
	Smooth muscle cells	Actin
	Adenovirus	Adenovirus
	Alpha fetoprotein	AFP
	Anaplastic large cell lymphoma / inflammatory myofibroblastic tumour	ALK
	Various carcinomas	B Catenin
	Used to aid classification of lymphomas/bone marrow biopsies	BCL2
	Used to aid classification of lymphomas/bone marrow biopsies	BCL6
	B cell marker	BOB-1
	Antibody mediated rejection	C4d
	Muscular marker	Caldesmon
	Muscular marker	Calponin
	Neuroanatomical marker	Calretinin
	Langerhan's cell histiocytosis	CD1a
	T cell marker	CD2
	T cell marker	CD3
	T-cell subset	CD4
	T cell marker	CD5



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preparations: (cont'd)	T cell marker	CD7
	T-cell subset	CD8
	Used to aid classification of lymphomas/bone marrow biopsies	CD10
	Demonstration of Reed-Sternberg and other cells	CD15
	Ag on B Lymphocytes	CD20
	Dendritic cell marker	CD21
	Reed-Sternberg cells	CD30
	Endothelial marker	CD31
	Endothelial cells / classification of soft tissue lesions	CD34
	T cell marker	CD43
	Lymphocytes	CD45
	Nerve and neuroendocrine cells	CD56
	Neural marker	CD57
	Megakaryocytes	CD61
	Macrophages and mononuclear cells	CD68
	Used to aid classification of B-cell lymphomas	CD79a



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Formalin Fixed Paraffin Embedded Tissue (FFPE) sections on glass slides and non gynae cytology		Automated Immunohistochemistry Methods LAB110, HISEXT/LAB029
preparations: (cont'd)	Used to aid classification of lymphomas/bone marrow biopsies Ewing's Sarcoma marker	CD99
	GIST, Haematopoietic progenitor, mast cells	CD117
	Langerhan's cells / soft tissue markers	CD163
	Haematopoietic progenitor	CD235a
	Protein in gastro-intestinal cells	CEA
	Granules in neuroendocrine cells	Chromagranin A
	Used to aid classification of lymphomas	Cyclin D1
	Cytokeratin	CK AE1/AE3
	Cytokeratin in specific epithelium	CK7
	Cytokeratin in specific epithelium	CK19
	Pan cytokeratin marker	CK Pan
	Lymphatic endothelium	D240
	Smooth and striated muscle cells	Desmin
	Epstein-Barr virus	EBER
	Protein in epithelial cells	EMA
	Astrocytes, Schwann cells and peripheral nerve tumours	GFAP



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Formalin Fixed Paraffin Embedded Tissue (FFPE) sections on glass slides and non gynae cytology preparations: (cont'd)		Automated Immunohistochemistry Methods LAB110, HISEXT/LAB029
preparations. (cont d)	Infantile haemangioma	GLUT1
	B cell marker	Granzyme B
	Human Chorionic Gonadatrophin	HCG
	Hepatocyte differentiation	Hepatocyte
	Herpes	HSV
	Used to aid identification of melanomas	HMB45
	Juvenile granuloma cell	Inhibin
	Epitheliod sarcoma, atypical teratois / rhabdoid tumour	INI1
	Nuclear protein in proliferating cells	Ki67
	Langerhan's cell Histiocytosis	Langerin
	Myeloma oncogene marker	MUM-1
	Neutrophils, granulocytic sarcoma	Myeloperoxidase
	Skeletal muscle	Myogenin
	Skeletal muscle differentiation	Myo D1
	Human Cytomegalovirus	CMV
	Neuronal cell types	NEUN
	Nerve fibres	Neurofilament
	Neuronal cell marker	NSE
	B Cell marker	OCT-2



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Formalin Fixed Paraffin Embedded Tissue (FFPE) sections on glass slides and non gynae cytology		Automated Immunohistochemistry Methods LAB110, HISEXT/LAB029
preparations: (cont'd)	B Cell marker	PAX5
	Cell proliferation	P53
	Demonstration of small nerve fibres in skin biopsies / neuroendocrine differentiation / neuroblastoma	PGP 9.5
	Expressed in neuroblastomas	PHO2XB
	Enzyme produced by trophoblasts	PLAP
	Expressed in a range of cell types	S100
	SV40 virus	SV40
	Smooth muscle cells	SMA
	Demonstration of synaptophysin producing cells	Synaptophysin
	Differential leukaemia / lymphomas	TDT
	Filament in mesenchymal cells	Vimentin
	Wilm's Tumour	WT1 Dako (N-Term)
	Vascular marker	WT1 Dako (Vasc)
	T cell subset	UCHL1 (CD45RO)



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HUMAN BODY TISSUE AND FLUIDS: (cont'd)	Histology examination activities for the purposes of clinical diagnosis.	Microscopy (qualitative analysis)
Slides prepared in house from samples listed above	Morphological assessment and interpretation/diagnosis	Light microscopes – Reporting Histopathology Specimens MED013, HISEXT/MED001, HISEXT/MED006, HISEXT/MED008, HISEXT/MED012
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