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DETAIL OF ACCREDITATION

Materials/Products tested	Type of test/Properties measured/Range of measurement	Standard specifications/ Equipment/Techniques used
HUMAN TISSUES AND FLUIDS	Microbiological examination activities for the purpose of clinical diagnosis	In-house documented procedures following current Public Health England (PHE) Standards for Microbiological Investigations (SMIs) and incorporating manufacturer's instructions where relevant
Urine	General isolation of micro- organisms of clinical significance	Isolation of micro-organisms of clinical significance from urine specimens
		Manual inoculation and culture:
Clinical material on swabs from: Ear Eye Mouth Nose Throat Skin/Wound Genital	General isolation of microorganisms of clinical significance	MICMB/SOP/001 MICMB/SOP/002 MICMB/SOP/004 MICMB/SOP/005 MICMB/SOP/009 MICMB/SOP/011 MICMB/SOP/013
Fluids: BAL/respiratory fluids CSF PDF Fluids from sterile sites Urine Pus and Exudates		MICMB/SOP/057 MICMB/SOP/010 MICMB/SOP/022 MICMB/SOP/025 MICMB/SOP/023 MICMB/SOP/026 MICUR/SOP/001 MICMB/SOP/016
Faeces		MICFAE/SOP/007
Intravascular cannulae and associated specimens		MICMB/SOP/020

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Tissues and Biopsies	General isolation of microorganisms of clinical significance	MICMB/SOP/017 MICMB/SOP/042 MICMB/SOP/038 MICMB/SOP/044
Clinical material from rectal swabs, and faeces	Detection of ESBL, VRE and CRE	MICENV/SOP/008
Clinical material on swabs of nose, throat, groin, axilla, umbilical, mouth, wound.	Detection of MRSA and MSSA	Chromogenic culture for MRSA and MSSA MICENV/SOP/001
Whole blood	General isolation of microorganisms of clinical significance	Automated culture using BD Bactec FX 200 system MICBC/SOP/001
Faeces Bile Duodenal aspirates Jejunal aspirates	Detection of ova, cysts and parasites (OCP) including: Strongyloides stercoralis larvae, Giardia lamblia trophozoites Cyclospora cayetanesis oocysts Cystoisospora belli oocysts	Manual method: concentration (faeces only) and wet prep light microscopy with iodine where applicable MICFAE/SOP/009 MICIDS/SOP/001
Faeces	Detection of Cryptosporidium oocysts	Manual auramine stain (fluorescent microscopy) MICIDS/SOP/001 MICFAE/SOP/007 MICFAE/SOP/009
Clear adhesive tape slide Perianal swab	Detection of Enterobious vermicularis larvae and ova	Direct light microscopy MICIDS/SOP/001 MICFAE/SOP/007 MICFAE/SOP/009

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Urine	Detection of Schistosoma haematobium ova	Manual method: concentration and wet prep light microscopy with iodine where applicable MICFAE/SOP/009 MICIDS/SOP/001
Urine	Automated urine analysis	Beckman Coulter IQ200 using auto-particle recognition MICUR/SOP/003
Clinical material on Recto-vaginal swabs and other genital swabs	Isolation of Group B Streptococci	Isolation of micro-organisms of clinical significance from genital specimens MICMB/SOP/013
Urine	Examination for white and red blood cells, cysteine crystals, epithelial cells, casts (hyaline, cellular, granular, RBC, Tubular epithelial, waxy, WBC), bacteria and yeasts	Manual urine microscopy using a flat-bottomed microtitre tray and light microscopy MICUR/SOP/001
CSF	Detection, identification and quantification of: White blood cells Red blood cells Bacterial cells	Manual cell count using counting chamber and light microscopy MICMB/SOP/025
Faeces	Detection of Clostridium difficile GDH antigen and toxins A & B	Glutamate dehydrogenase and toxin A/B detection by rapid membrane enzyme immunoassay (Techlab Cdiff Quik Chek Complete) Toxin A/B detection by ELISA (Techlab C.Difficile TOX A/B II) MICFAE/SOP/005
Cultures isolated in-house from all samples listed above	Identification of clinically significant bacteria	Manual biochemical, enzymatic, agglutination, staining & microscopic methods MICIDS/SOP/001

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Cultures isolated in-house from all samples listed above	Identification of clinically significant microorganisms'	Automated Bruker Automated Matrix-assisted laser desorption/ionisation (MALDI-TOF and Sepsityper) MICIDS/SOP/003
	Antimicrobial susceptibility testing of clinically significant bacteria	Manual disc diffusion and gradient MIC determination by E-test using EUCAST methodology. MICIDS/SOP/037 MICIDS/SOP/034
Whole blood. Cultures isolated in-house from all samples listed above. Intravascular cannulae and associated specimens	Differentiation between gram positive/negative/variable, branching organisms, yeast and fungal hyphae	Manual gram stain (light microscopy) MICIDS/SOP/001
Fluid: BAL	Differentiation between gram positive/negative/variable, branching organisms, yeast, fungal hyphae, presence of pus cell and epithelial cells	Manual gram stain (light microscopy) MICIDS/SOP/001
Clinical material on swabs of mouth and throat	Presence of Vincent's organisms	Manual gram stain (light microscopy) MICIDS/SOP/001
Clinical material on swabs of ear, eye, nose, skin/wound, pus/exudate Fluids: Pus and Exudates, Fluids from sterile sites, PDF, CSF and CSF shunts, respiratory Tissues and Biopsies	Differentiation between gram positive/negative/variable, branching organisms, yeast, fungal hyphae and presence of pus cells	Manual gram stain (light microscopy) MICIDS/SOP/001
Whole blood EDTA	Molecular examination activities for the purpose of quantitation of viral load – Adenovirus PCR	Automated EliTech Group Elite Ingenius analyer MICVIR/SOP/006No

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Vomit, Faeces	Molecular Norovirus DNA detection	Rapid detection of Norovirus G1 and G2 using Cephedi Xpert Norovirus MICGEN/SOP/047
Rectal swabs, identification from clinical isolate	Molecular carbepenamase detection	Rapid detection of resistance mechanisms using Cepheid CPE
Nose swabs	Rapid detection of MRSA/MSSA	Rapid detection of MRSA and MSSA using Cepheid GeneXpert Xpert SA Nasal complete and Xpert PCR equipment - MICGEN/SOP/045
Faeces	Rapid detection of GI pathogens	Rapid detection using Biomerieux Filmarray GI Panel MICVIR/SOP/003
Clinical material from nasopharyngeal swabs	Rapid molecular detection of respiratory pathogens	Rapid detection using Biomerieux Filmarray RP panel MICVIR/SOP/033
CSF	Rapid molecular detection of CSF pathogens	Rapid detection using Biomerieux Filmarray ME panel MICVIR/SOP/002
Clinical material from nasopharyngeal swabs	Rapid detection of Influenza, RSV and SARS-CoV-2	Rapid detection using Cepheid Xpert Respiratory MICVIR/SOP/032
Clinical material from nasophayngeal swabs	Rapid detection of SARS-Cov-2, RSV, Influenza	Rapid detection using ID-Now MICVIR/SOP/078
Clinical material from throat swabs	Rapid molecular detection of Group A streptococci	Rapid detection using ID-Now MICVIR/SOP/078
Clinical material from vulvo-vaginal swabs, endocervical swabs, urine, urethral swab (using Gen-probe Aptima collection tube)	Detection of Chlamydia trachomatis and Neisseria gonorrhoeae Rrna	Target amplification nucleic acid probe test for ribosomal RNA of CT-GC detection – Automated Hologic Gen-probe Panther Kit Aptima Combo 11 for CT-GC assay MICVIR/SOP/001

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Whole Blood EDTA	Molecular examination activities for the purpose of quantitation of viral load – EBV DNA Quanitification	Automated EliTech Group Elite Ingenius analyser MICVIR/SOP/006
Whole Blood EDTA	Molecular examination activities for the purpose of quantitation of viral load – CMV DNA Quantification	Automated EliTech Group Elite Ingenius analyser MICVIR/SOP/006
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