

GP MICROBIOLOGY QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE

Microbiology (Specify all sites including MRSA sites)			
Faecal Samples (Purple Bag)		Bacterial Swabs Culture & Sens (Purple Bag) *Charcoal, Amies and Copan swabs only for Microbiology	
Enteric Pathogens		Eye, Ear	
Ova Cysts Parasites (OCP)		Nasal, Throat, Mouth	
<i>C. difficile</i>		Wound	
* <i>H.pylori</i> antigen (*Stool frozen if delayed)		MRSA Screens	
Screens for:		Genital (e.g. HVS)	
CPE	VRE	ESBL	Tips (non-urine)
Molecular (Purple or Red bags)		Culture & Sens. (Purple Bag)	
*Routine STI screen (Female Swab) CGSW Swab vaginal/endocervical *Roche Cobas swabs only for Molecular no Aptima swabs		Urine	
*CT/NG (CGU Urine)		Tissue & Fluids *(Non-urgent)	
*Urine for CT/NG should be added to Roche Cobas tubes if possible.		Sputum *(If TB culture is required, please write this on form & sample will be sent to SJH)	

Haematology & Immunology (Red Bags)	
Blood (Serum for serology)	
ASOT	
CMV	
HIV, Syphilis	
*Hepatitis A (IgG & IgM) *Hepatitis A samples tested in Eurofins Biomnis France	
Hepatitis B: HBsAg, anti-HBc, anti-HBs	
Hepatitis C: anti-HCV, HCV PCR	
STI screen (Blood): HBsAg, HIV, Syphilis	
Viral HBV and HCV screen: HBsAg, anti- HCV	HBV Infection status: HBsAg, anti-HBc
Stool Calprotectin (CALPR)	

Tests to send to NVRL: Order using a NVRL Request Form.		
Blood (serum for serology)	Viral Swab for PCR	STI
Measles, Mumps, Rubella	Adenovirus PCR	<i>M. genitalium</i> (Use APTIMA Collection kit)
VZV	HSV PCR	<i>T. vaginalis</i> (Use APTIMA Collection kit)
<i>T. gondii</i>	VZV PCR	CT/NG: MSM screen Rectal / pharyngeal ONLY (Use APTIMA Collection Kit)
EBV	Measles PCR	
Hepatitis E		
Hepatitis E PCR		
Lyme Disease		
<p>NOTE: Other tests are available in the NVRL, if required. See UCD NVRL Virus Testing Index, available at https://nvrl.ucd.ie/virus_testing_index for further details.</p> <p>Please use NVRL Request forms, which can be downloaded at https://nvrl.ucd.ie/info Pack separately to all other samples, and clearly label for NVRL</p>		