URGENT: 28th March 2025

Dear Colleagues

The Immunology laboratory analyser that runs the allergy and a large proportion of our autoimmune testing has had major operational issues over the last 7 days. We are running at a significantly reduced rate and have started sending some of the older samples away to a referral laboratory.

The assays affected are listed below. We anticipate a delay in results for at least the next 7 working days and an increased turnaround time of approximately 7-10 working days for all tests.

Sites affected
All acute sites and primary care
Test
TTG antibodies (coeliac screening)
Connective tissue disease (CTD) ANA panel
Reflex testing time for ENA screen and dsDNA
ENA typing
Cardiolipin typing, IgG and IgM
B2GP1 IgG and IgM
Intrinsic factor antibodies
Allergy testing – total and specific IgE

If you have any specific questions regarding the delays, please do not hesitate to contact **immunologyasph@nhs.net**

Kind Regards,

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