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Dear Colleagues,

Haemophilus antibody (HIB) testing

We are currently experiencing technical difficulties with this assay, and we are actively troubleshooting this, and as a result, we are currently unable to accept any new requests for Haemophilus influenzae type b antibodies (HIB).

We are currently referring all samples in our system currently to Derriford for testing, and all samples are being safely stored prior to sending.

Any new requests outside of Oxford and the South 4 Pathology Network received from 24/02/2025 will be reported as:

Not Tested=*, with the comments 'As per letter issued on 28/01/25, unable to perform anti-HIB antibodies.'

If you have any questions about any of this then please do not hesitate to contact us on the above email address/telephone number.

Following this date, we will not be returning any samples referred to us for testing, and we will no longer be forwarding the testing to an alternative provider.

Please accept our apologies for the inconvenience caused by the withdrawal of this service.

Yours faithfully

James Hoy

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