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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT

I am responding to your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act. The answers to your specific questions are as follows:

Please could you kindly complete the spreadsheet attached to provide information on the diagnostic tests carried out within the Pathology Laboratory at the Trust over the last calendar year (January 2021 - December 2021).

[Please see the attached document.](#)

If I can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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Yours sincerely

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Cervical Health & Cytology Testing	
Test	Test Numbers per Annum
Cervial Health Screening	
HPV - Human Papilloma Virus - NAAT	0
Liquid Basec Cytology (LBC) Gynaecology Cytology	0
cPAP - Cytology	0
General Cytology	
LBC Non-Gynaecology Cytology	477

Note: for the LBC Non-Gynaecology Cytology, number of samples was counted

Microbiology Testing	Microbiology in house tests	Referred tests sent to external laboratory	Notes
Test	Test Numbers per Annum		
Sexually Transmitted Infections			
CT - Chlamydia trachomatis - Nucleaic Accid Applification Test (NAAT)	9944		
NG - Neisseria gonorrhoeae - NAAT	9947		
TV - Trichomonas vaginalis - NAAT		14	Referred out
TV - Trichomonas vaginalis - Culture/Microscopy	290		
MG - Mycoplasma Genitalium - NAAT		18	Referred out
MG - Mycoplasma Genitalium - Culture/Microscopy			
HSV 1 - Herpes Simplex Virus 1 - NAAT	546		
HSV 2 - Herpes Simplex Virus 2 - NAAT	546		

Microbiology Testing	Microbiology in house tests	Referred tests sent to external laboratory	Notes
Test	Test Numbers per Annum		
BV - Bacterial Vaginosis - NAAT		14	Referred out
BV - Bacterial Vaginosis - Culture/Microscopy	11748		
CV - Candida Vaginitis - NAAT	0		
CV - Candida Vaginitis - Culture/Microscopy	11366		
Blood Borne Viruses			
HIV 1 - Human Immunodeficiency Virus 1 Viral Load - NAAT		39	Referred out
HBV - Hepatitis B Viral Load - NAAT		283	Referred out
HCV - Hepatitis C Viral Load - NAAT		368	Referred out
Respiratory Viruses			
Flu A - Influenza Type A - NAAT	79607		The FLU testing may have been inflated during 2021 as validation was taking place
Flu B - Influenza Type B - NAAT	79610		The FLU testing may have been inflated during 2021 as validation was taking place
RSV - Respiratory Syncytial Virus - NAAT	79614		The RSV testing may have been inflated during 2021 as validation was taking place
hMPV - Human Metapneumo Virus - NAAT			
Adv - Adenovirus - NAAT			
RV - Rhinovirus - NAAT			
Paraflu 1 - Parainfluenza Type 1 - NAAT			
Paraflu 2 - Parainfluenza Type 2 - NAAT			

Microbiology Testing	Microbiology in house tests	Referred tests sent to external laboratory	Notes
Test	Test Numbers per Annum		
Paraflu 3 - Parainfluenza Type 3 - NAAT			
Paraflu 4 - Parainfluenza Type 4 - NAAT			
Covid-19 - SARS-CoV-2 - NAAT	109231		
Respiratory Syndromic Testing - NAAT	79614	48	Syndromic - In house tests COVID/RSV and FLU combination profiles (79614) Respiratory multiplex tests (48) referred out / done by Brighton
Transplant Transmitted Infections			
CMV - Cytomegalovirus Viral Load - NAAT		119	
EBV - Epstein Bar Virus Viral Load - NAAT		116	
BKV - BK Virus Viral Load - NAAT		10	
Hospital Acquired Infections			
Methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus - MRSA - NAAT	264		includes MRSA screens and Blood culture MRSA ID
Methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus - MRSA - Culture/Microscopy	42887		
Clostridium difficile - C.Diff - NAAT	396		
Clostridium difficile - C.Diff - Culture/Microscopy			
Carbapenem Resistant Enterobacteriaceae - CRE - NAAT			
Carbapenem Resistant Enterobacteriaceae - CRE - Culture/Microscopy	2884		
Vanamycin Resistant Enterococcus - VRE - NAAT			
Vanamycin Resistant Enterococcus - VRE - Culture/Microscopy	40		
Gastrointestinal Infections			

Microbiology Testing	Microbiology in house tests	Referred tests sent to external laboratory	Notes
Test	Test Numbers per Annum		
Gastrointestinal Syndromic Test - NAAT	7179		Syndromic (Profile) counted only (individual tests Campylobacter, Salmonella, Shigella, Ecoli)
Gastrointestinal Syndromic Test - Culture Microscopy	1696		includes PCR positive cultures and Vibrio/Yersinia cultures and Enteric microscopy
Norovirus - NAAT			
Gastrointestinal Parasitology - NAAT			
Gastrointestinal Parasitology - Culture/Microscopy	7963		includes OCP and cryptosporidia films
Other Infections			
Meningitis Syndromic Test - NAAT		12	Syndromic (Profile) counted only (individual tests N.meningitidis S.pneumoniae) done by Manchester PHL
Enterovirus CSF - NAAT		32	

Notes

Presumptions for Microbiology as letter /description needs clarity

1] Syndromic testing - this usually means where a multiplex has been used

2] We have split the tests into 2 columns - in-house and referred

3] FLU and RSV testing may be inflated during 2021 as validation processes were taking place comparing new platform with a reference laboratory/other platform