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Assay	Sample requirement (ml)	Sample handling /Transport	Methodology	Reference range	Turnaround Time (target working days)	EQA	Clinical Utility
ANA	Serum 0.5ml	Overnight (Room Temp)	IIF	Negative	5	UKNEQAS Sheffield	Suspected CTD/SLE
Centromere	Serum 0.5ml	Overnight (Room Temp)	IIF	Negative	5	UKNEQAS Sheffield	CREST
dsDNA antibodies	Serum 0.5ml	Overnight (Room Temp)	ELISA	<20 IU/ml	5	UKNEQAS Sheffield	SLE
Crithidia	Serum 0.5ml	Overnight (Room Temp)	IIF	Negative	5	UKNEQAS Sheffield	Confirmation of dsDNA antibodies
ENA screen	Serum 0.5ml	Overnight (Room Temp)	ELISA	Negative	5	UKNEQAS Sheffield	CTD
ENA profile (Ro/La/Sm/RNP/Jo-1/Scl70)	Serum 0.5ml	Overnight (Room Temp)	ELISA	Negative	5	UKNEQAS Sheffield	CTD
CCP antibodies	Serum 0.5ml	Overnight (Room Temp)	FEIA	<7 U/ml	5	UKNEQAS Sheffield	Rheumatoid arthritis
ANCA	Serum 0.5ml	Overnight (Room Temp)	IIF	Negative	5	UKNEQAS Sheffield	Small vessel vasculitis
MPO antibodies	Serum 0.5ml	Overnight (Room Temp)	ELISA	Negative	5	UKNEQAS Sheffield	ANCA confirmation and monitoring
PR3 antibodies	Serum 0.5ml	Overnight (Room Temp)	ELISA	Negative	5	UK NEQAS	ANCA confirmation and monitoring
GBM antibodies	Serum 0.5ml	Overnight (Room Temp)	ELISA	<20 U/ml	5	UKNEQAS Sheffield	Goodpasture's syndrome
Cardiolipin antibodies (IgG and IgM)	Serum 0.5ml	Overnight (Room Temp)	ELISA	IgG <10 U/ml, IgM <7U/ml	5	UKNEQAS Sheffield	Anti phospholipid syndrome
Beta 2 Glycoprotein antibodies (IgG and IgM)	Serum 0.5ml	Overnight (Room Temp)	ELISA	<5 U/ml	5	UKNEQAS Sheffield	Anti phospholipid syndrome

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TTG (IgA)	Serum 0.5ml	Overnight (Room Temp)	ELISA	<10 U/ml	5	UKNEQAS Sheffield	Coeliac disease
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Endomysial antibodies (IgA)	Serum 0.5ml	Overnight (Room Temp)	IIF	Negative	5	UKNEQAS Sheffield	Coeliac disease/ Dermatitis herpetiformis
Liver autoantibodies(GPC/LKM/SMA/AMA)	Serum 0.5ml	Overnight (Room Temp)	IIF	Negative	5	UKNEQAS Sheffield	Pernicious anaemia/Liver disease/ Autoimmune hepatitis/PBC
Adrenal antibodies	Serum 0.5ml	Overnight (Room Temp)	IIF	Negative	5	Sample exchange	Autoimmune Addison's and polyglandular autoimmunity
Ovarian antibodies	Serum 0.5ml	Overnight (Room Temp)	IIF	Negative	5	Sample exchange	Premature ovarian failure/ Polyglandular autoimmunity
Cardiac muscle antibodies	Serum 0.5ml	Overnight (Room Temp)	IIF	Negative	5	Sample exchange	Dressler's syndrome/post MI/Cardiomyopathy
Skeletal muscle antibodies	Serum 0.5ml	Overnight (Room Temp)	IIF	Negative	5	Sample exchange	Myasthaenia gravis
Pemphigus antibodies	Serum 0.5ml	Overnight (Room Temp)	IIF	Negative	5	UKNEQAS Sheffield	Bullous skin disease
Pemphigoid antibodies	Serum 0.5ml	Overnight (Room Temp)	IIF	Negative	5	UKNEQAS Sheffield	Bullous skin disease

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CH50	Serum 0.5ml	Separate serum within 24 hours and store frozen at -70°C. Transport frozen on dry ice.	Haemolytic assay	1000-2000	10	INSTAND International scheme	Complement deficiency
AP50	Serum 0.5ml	Separate serum within 24 hours and store frozen at -70°C. Transport frozen on dry ice.	Haemolytic assay	80-200	10	INSTAND International scheme	Complement deficiency
C3/C4	Serum 0.5ml	Overnight (Room Temp)	Turbidimetry	0.75-1.65/0.14-0.54 g/L	5	UK NEQAS Sheffield	SLE/HAE/ Renal disease/ Vasculitis
C5	Serum 0.5ml	Overnight (Room Temp)	RID	90-172 mg/L	10	No EQA scheme	Terminal pathway deficiency
C1 esterase inhibitor (Immunochemical)	Serum 0.5ml	Overnight (Room Temp)	Turbidimetry	0.21-0.38g/l	10	UK NEQAS Sheffield	HAE & acquired angioedema
C1 esterase inhibitor (Functional)	Serum 0.5ml	Same day or transport frozen	ELISA	>68% normal	10	UK NEQAS Sheffield	Type 2 HAE & acquired angioedema
Factor H	Serum 0.5ml	Overnight (Room Temp)	RID	345-590 mg/L	10	Sample exchange	aHUS/DDD
Factor I	Serum 0.5ml	Overnight (Room Temp)	RID	38-58 mg/L	10	Sample exchange	Deficiency

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Anti-C1q antibodies	Serum 0.5ml	Overnight (Room Temp)	ELISA	<10 U/ml	10	INSTAND International External Quality Assessment	SLE with renal involvement
TCC (C5-9 complex)	EDTA Plasma (0.5ml)	Separate EDTA plasma within 4 hours and store frozen at -70°C. Transport frozen on dry ice.	ELISA	<180 ng/ml	10	INSTAND International External Quality Assessment	Complement activation
MBL	Serum 0.5ml	Overnight (Room Temp)	ELISA	<50ng/ml = deficiency, 50-100 ng/ml = equivocal, >100ng/ml = normal	10	No EQA scheme available	Recurrent infection especially in childhood
Lymphocyte phenotypes	EDTA Whole blood (Adult 1ml, paediatric 1ml)	Same day/Overnight (Room temp)	Flowcytometry	Age related	2	NEQAS Leukocyte Immunophenotyping	Primary and secondary immunodeficiency
B cell memory phenotyping	EDTA Whole blood 2ml	Same day/Overnight (Room temp)	Flowcytometry	See report	2	Sample exchange	CVID
Naive T cells	EDTA Whole blood 1ml	Same day/Overnight (Room temp)	Flowcytometry	Age related	2	No EQA Scheme or alternative	Primary immunodeficiency/ monitoring T cell reconstitution
TCR alpha beta double negative T cells	EDTA Whole blood 1ml	Same day/Overnight (Room temp)	Flowcytometry	See report	2	No EQA Scheme or alternative	ALPS
Lymphocyte proliferation	Heparin Whole blood 2ml	Same day (Room temp) <i>Please contact the laboratory to prearrange this test. Please supply a healthy control sample.</i>	Flowcytometry	See report	4	No EQA Scheme or alternative	Immunodeficiency
Neutrophil function (DHR)	Heparin Whole blood 1ml	Same day (Room temp) <i>Please contact the laboratory to prearrange this test. Please supply a healthy control sample.</i>	Flowcytometry	Positive=Normal	2	No EQA Scheme or alternative	CGD

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MHC Class 1 and 2 expression	EDTA Whole blood 1ml	Same day/Overnight (Room temp)	Flowcytometry	See report	2	No EQA Scheme or alternative	Bare lymphocyte syndrome
Adhesion markers (CD11a/11b/11c/18)	EDTA Whole blood 1ml	Same day/Overnight (Room temp)	Flowcytometry	See report	2	No EQA Scheme or alternative	Suspected adhesion molecule deficiency
TCR V beta spectrotyping	EDTA Whole blood 2ml	Same day/Overnight (Room temp)	Flowcytometry	See report	2	No EQA Scheme or alternative	Primary immunodeficiency /monitoring T cell reconstitution
CD40 expression on B lymphocytes	EDTA Whole blood 4ml	Same day/Overnight (Room temp) <i>Please contact the laboratory to prearrange this test. Please supply a healthy control sample.</i>	Flowcytometry	See report	2	No EQA Scheme or alternative	CD40 deficiency
BTK on monocytes	EDTA Whole blood 4ml	Same day/Overnight (Room temp) <i>Please contact the laboratory to prearrange this test. Please supply a healthy control sample.</i>	Flowcytometry	See report	2	No EQA Scheme or alternative	XLA
L-selectin (CD62 ligand) shedding	Heparin Whole blood 4ml	Room temp. To reach the lab within 3 hours <i>Please contact the laboratory to prearrange this test. Please supply a healthy control sample.</i>	Flowcytometry	See report	2	No EQA Scheme or alternative	Suspected TLR signalling defect

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CD40Ligand expression (CD4+ T cells)	Heparin Whole blood 4ml	Same day (Room temp) <i>Please contact the laboratory to prearrange this test. Please supply a healthy control sample.</i>	Flowcytometry	See report	3	No EQA Scheme or alternative	XL-HIGM syndrome (CD40L deficiency)
Total IgE	Serum 0.3 mls	Overnight (Room Temp)	FEIA	Age related	5	UKNEQAS Sheffield	Atopy/Allergy/Hyper IgE syndrome
Specific IgE (Entire Phadia catalogue available see http://www.phadia.com/en-GB/Allergens/ImmunoCAP-Allergens/)	Serum 0.3 mls Vol depended on number of allergens requested	Overnight (Room Temp)	FEIA	See report	5	UKNEQAS Sheffield	Type 1 Hyper-sensitivity/allergy
ALEX2	Serum 0.5 ml	Send at Room Temp Store 2-8°C up to 7 days if sample not sent same day as its taken.	Immunoassay	See report	30	UK NEQAS	Complex allergic disease/ idiopathic anaphylaxis
Tryptase	Serum 0.5 ml	Same day or frozen. For investigation of anaphylaxis - 3 samples at times 0, 2 and 24 hrs	FEIA (RAST)	See report	5	UKNEQAS Sheffield	Anaphylaxis/ Mastocytosis
Immunoglobulins (IgG/A/M)	Serum 0.5 ml	Overnight (Room Temp)	Turbidimetry	Age related	5	UKNEQAS Birmingham	Immunodeficiency & lymphoproliferative disorder
Electrophoresis	Serum 0.5 ml	Overnight (Room Temp)	CZE	Normal	5	UKNEQAS Sheffield	Myeloma/ MGUS
Immunofixation	Serum 0.5 ml	Overnight (Room Temp)	Immunofixation	Negative	5	UKNEQAS Birmingham, UKNEQAS Sheffield	Myeloma /MGUS
Bence Jones protein	Early Morning Urine 5 ml	Overnight (Room Temp)	Urine EPH	Negative	5	UKNEQAS Sheffield	Myeloma/ MGUS
Oligoclonal bands	Paired Serum & CSF (0.5 ml) Serum can be collected within 7 days of CSF being taken.	Overnight (Room Temp)	Isoelectric focusing	Negative	5	UKNEQAS Sheffield	Multiple sclerosis

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IgG subclasses	Serum 0.5ml	Overnight (Room Temp)	Turbidimetry	Age related	5	UKNEQAS Sheffield	Immunodeficiency
Alpha 1 antitrypsin	Serum (0.5 ml)	Overnight (Room Temp)	Turbidimetry	Age related	5	UKNEQAS Birmingham	Emphysema/ cirrhosis/ prolonged neo-natal jaundice/Family screening
Beta 2 microglobulin	Serum 0.5 ml	Overnight (Room Temp)	Turbidimetry	1.2-2.4 mg/L	5	UKNEQAS Sheffield	Monitoring myeloma and renal disease
Free light chains	Serum 1 ml	Overnight (Room Temp)	Turbidimetry	See report	5	UKNEQAS Sheffield	Monitoring plasma cell dyscrasia
Antibodies to Hib	Serum 0.5ml	Overnight (Room Temp)	ELISA	See report	10	UKNEQAS Sheffield	Suspected immunodeficiency/ response to vaccination
Antibodies to Tetanus	Serum 0.5ml	Overnight (Room Temp)	ELISA	See report	10	UKNEQAS Sheffield	Suspected immunodeficiency/ response to vaccination
Antibodies to Pneumococcus	Serum 0.5ml	Overnight (Room Temp)	ELISA	See report	10	UKNEQAS Sheffield	Suspected immunodeficiency/ response to vaccination
PLA2R Anti- Phospholipase A2 Receptor	Serum 0.5ml	14 days refrigerated	ELISA	<13RUml Neg >20RUml Pos	21	UKNEQAS Sheffield	Highly specific for the diagnosis of Primary membranous nephropathy
Glutamic Acid Decarboxylase Ab	Serum 0.5ml	5 days refrigerated and then stored at -20 upon receipt.	ELISA	<5Uml	10	UKNEQAS Sheffield	Detection of Diabetic autoantibodies
ZnT8 Antibodies	Serum 0.5ml	5 days refrigerated and then stored at -20 upon receipt.	ELISA	<10Uml	10	UKNEQAS Sheffield	Detection of Diabetic autoantibodies
IA-2 Antibodies	Serum 0.5ml	5 days refrigerated and then stored at -20 upon receipt.	ELISA	<7.5Uml	10	UKNEQAS Sheffield	Detection of Diabetic autoantibodies

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