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Virology for Patients with Suspected CMV Colitis			

Send to: REGIONAL VIRUS LABORATORY, Kelvin Building, Royal Group of Hospitals Trust, Grosvenor Road, Belfast BT12 6BA. Direct Tel 028 96 151777 (9am-5pm Mon-Fri)
AFFIX LABEL OR ENTER DETAILS LEGIBLY

Male/Female	Surname	Forename	D.O.B.		
Address		H&C	NHS <input type="checkbox"/>		
		<i>Hospital</i>		Private <input type="checkbox"/>	
		Postcode			HCP Code <u>AND</u> Consultant /GP
					Source Code/ Ward / Clinic
<u>Please send following specimen please tick Codes:</u>					
Bowel BIOPSY PCR (x2 in saline for virology)		CMV PCR (non-blood) <input type="checkbox"/>	CMP		
Serum sample (red or yellow top) blood		CMV IgG Serology <input type="checkbox"/>	CMVG		
To establish if patient has latent CMV, negative IgG indicates CMV complicated colitis highly unlikely					
<u>Alternative specimen/request if appropriate</u>					
<u>Please note:</u>					
If fresh tissue not available for PCR, FFPE tissue is acceptable but turn-around-time will be extended.					
If no tissue is available please send EDTA blood (Purple top) for PCR as alternative. Please speak to duty virologist if further advice required.					
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<u>Clinical Information:</u>					
Acute severe colitis	<input type="checkbox"/>	IBD/ACUTE/			
Flare	<input type="checkbox"/>	IBD/Flare/			
Steroid refractory colitis	<input type="checkbox"/>	IBD/SRC/			
Other details:					
Sample type:		Specimen Date & Time	Lab use		
Serum: <input type="checkbox"/> Tissue: <input type="checkbox"/>					
Signature					

- Transport specimens to laboratory in sealed specimen bags. Ensure specimen container lids are well secured to prevent leakage in transit.
- For clinical virology advice contact Duty Virologist E-mail bl.dutyvirologist@belfasttrust.hscni.net Mobile 07889086946