

Pathology

Schedule of Benefits
for Professional Fees

CONSULTATION & TESTING

Code	Description	Payment Rules
8691	Consultant Pathologist in-patient consultation	
8899	Tests as listed for day case patients where clinically required and not as a screening tool for "not at risk patients"	
8900	Tests as listed (in-patient only), where clinically required	

CATEGORY 3

Code	Description	Payment Rules
8970	MSU + culture	
9030	Sweat investigation	
9045	Stool: ova, cysts and parasites (microscopy)	
9050	Immunofluorescence - single antibody	
9059	Catecholamine's and porphyrins	
9060	Cholinesterase/ pseudo cholinesterase	
9061	Acylcarnitine carnites - total and free	
9100	Interpretive review of culture result, bacterial, any source, by consultant Microbiologist or Clinical Pathologist, with isolates where indicated with or without definitive identification of isolates to the genus or species level including any additional necessary tests.	
9101	MRSA or other antimicrobial resistant organism, interpretive review of culture from all screening swabs from the patient, for "at risk patients" only as defined by the SARI Infection Control Subcommittee and not for routine screening	
9202	Antibiotic assay	
9204	MIC - minimum inhibitory concentration	
9207	Toxin levels (e.g. clostridium difficile/ botulinum) - exact toxin being investigated must be specified	
9223	HIV, STD or hepatitis screen	
9385	Interpretive review of viral, bacterial or fungal serology or viral culture by consultant Microbiologist or Clinical Pathologist	

CATEGORY 4

Code	Description	Payment Rules
9160	Electrophoresis and chromatographic procedures (serum, lipoprotein, urine)	
9175	CSF including oligoclonal bands	
9180	Myeloma screen including electrophoresis	
9182	Vitamins A, D or E	
9205	Antibody identification (transfusion) (one or more antibodies)	
9210	Haemoglobin electrophoresis	
9226	Thrombophilia screen	
9507	Flow cytometry for CD4, CD8 and CD34 counts	
9694	Gene rearrangement studies	

CATEGORY 5

Code	Description	Payment Rules
9161	Gas chromatographic/ mass spectrometer for organic acid(s), assay	
9270	133.5 mm	
9301	Diabetic ketoacidosis/ hyperosmolar non-ketotic coma	
9302	Acute renal failure	
9303	Acute hepatic failure	
9304	Dynamic endocrine function tests (insulin stress test, synacthen test, dexamethasone suppression test, water deprivation test)	
9306	Porphyria investigation	
9307	Full endocrinological investigation of infertility	
9309	Full investigations for inborn errors of metabolism in paediatric patients	
9312	Hypoglycaemia - not secondary to any previously diagnosed condition (includes hypoglycaemia associated with insulin overdose).	
9360	Surgical pathology, gross and microscopic examination, requiring examination of between 1 and 2 tissue blocks from specimen(s) retrieved during a single operation	
9381	Interpretive review of culture of CSF, blood by a consultant Microbiologist or a Clinical Pathologist	
9391	Antisperm antibodies	

CATEGORY 5

Code	Description	Payment Rules
9392	Immunofluorescence - autoantibody screen and/ or DNA Abs and/ or subtyping	
9393	Polymerase chain reaction	
9605	Immune complex assays, not otherwise listed in Category 1	

CATEGORY 6

Code	Description	Payment Rules
9501	Marrow aspirate, not immunocyto - see Category 8	
9502	Marrow trephine	
9503	HLA typing	
9504	Immunofluorescence - microbial antibodies	
9506	Electron microscopy	
9508	Peripheral blood stem harvesting examination	
9530	Surgical pathology, gross and microscopic examination, requiring examination of between 3 and 5 tissue blocks from specimen(s) retrieved during a single operation	
9531	Cell block and smear examination from fine needle aspiration biopsy	
9535	Lymph node	
9539	Upper G.I. series	
9540	Colonoscopy series	
9541	Prostate series	
9545	Parathyroid gland	
9550	Clinical (i.e. non screening) cytology, not including smear + section, see Category 7	
9604	Platelet aggregation studies	

CATEGORY 7

Code	Description	Payment Rules
9601	Liver, renal biopsies including special stains	

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Code	Description	Payment Rules
9603	Marrow aspirate and trephine done together (i.e. by same Pathologist)	
9606	Multimer analysis for Von Willebrand disease	
9650	Surgical pathology, gross and microscopic examination, requiring examination of more than 5 tissue blocks from specimen(s) retrieved during a single operation	
9670	Frozen section immunofluorescence - direct or indirect	

CATEGORY 8

Code	Description	Payment Rules
9505	Immunocytochemistry	
9691	Immunohistochemistry (includes fluorescence in-situ hybridisation)	
9693	Frozen section for rapid intraoperative diagnosis	
9695	Tumour aneuploidy by flow cytometry	
9696	Gene re-arrangement studies for the diagnosis of leukaemia or lymphoma	This includes molecular isolation or extraction; enzymatic separation and nuclei acid probes.
965125	Molecular (genetic) testing of tumour tissue to determine suitability for specific Oncology therapies	This includes molecular isolation and/ or extraction; report and MDT attendance.

CATEGORY 9

Code	Description	Payment Rules
9700	All tests associated with obstetrics, including normal delivery, caesarean section and miscarriage	