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### HEMOLYTIC INVESTIGATIONS SAMPLE CHANGE

Red cell morphology results can be inaccurate due to the age of the sample.

To ensure accurate results, the Red Cell Disorders lab is requesting a blood smear fixed in liquid methanol for 5-10 minutes or fixed in a heating block at 37 degrees Celsius for 2-3 minutes. Please include this smear alongside the sample.

### HEMOGLOBINOPATHY INVESTIGATIONS REQUIREMENTS

When older samples arrive for a Hemoglobinopathy investigation, the age of the sample can make acquiring an accurate CBC and Ferritin result difficult. Whenever possible, please include a same day CBC and Ferritin result alongside the Hemoglobinopathy sample and completed requisition.

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