

## Division of Laboratory Medicine

Immunology

### Crithidia antibodies

#### General information

Used for the detection of antibodies that are specific for double stranded DNA

**Specimen transport:** At room temperature

**Repeat frequency:** At significant change of clinical symptoms, monitoring of treatment.

#### Laboratory information

**Normal reference range:** Negative

**Volume and sample type:** 7ml clotted blood

**Method:** Immunofluorescence

**Turnaround time (calendar days from sample receipt to authorised result):** Median – 7

**Participation in EQA scheme:** UK NEQAS scheme for Antibodies to Nuclear and Related Antigens

#### Clinical information

**Indications for the test:** SLE

**Factors affecting the test:** None

**ICE reference:** Crithidia

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