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PLEASE NOTE THIS IS NOT A REQUEST FORM

Parts of the above investigations require laboratory staff to assess the motility of live sperm and for this an appointment is **necessary** and must be arranged by contacting the Cytology Laboratory on **0161 291 4813**. Appointments for this test are available on Wednesdays and Fridays.

The sample should be delivered to:

- Cytology Laboratory, Sample Reception, Clinical Sciences Building, Southmoor Road, UHSM, post code M23 9LT

Samples will be **rejected without** the following:

- a pre-arranged appointment
- a signed request form from your GP/Clinician
- a specimen pot provided with this instruction sheet. Failure to use this will invalidate the result and you will be required to repeat the sample.

The request form and container **must** include your full name, date of birth and NHS number and should be delivered within **45 minutes of production**. We do not provide facilities for patients to pass semen specimens on site, therefore we ask that they be produced at home.

- Abstain from intercourse or masturbation for at least 2 and no more than 7 days before passing the specimen (**3-4 days** is the best)
- Wash hands and genitals before producing semen
- Pass the **entire** specimen by masturbation directly into the provided container
- Do not use a condom or lubricant

Sperm survive best at body temperature, so in cold weather it is advisable to slip the container into an inside pocket close to the body during transportation. Results can take up to 3 weeks before they are available from your GP/ Consultant.

Information directed to patients on semen analysis is available at <http://www.patient.co.uk/showdoc/23068840>

IMPORTANT: You must complete the section below and give this letter, request form and your specimen to a member of the reception staff when you attend.

Failure to complete the information given below may result in your sample being rejected.

Your Name.....DOB.....

Name of your wife/ partner.....DOB.....

Number of days since last ejaculation.....days. Time specimen was produced.....

Was the entire specimen collected into the container.....Y / N *

*If you did not collect the complete specimen you need to telephone 0161 291 4813 to make another appointment. It is required to have an entire sample to get the correct results.

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