

SouthWest Pathology – tests which may only be added-on within a restricted time window

Tube Type	Blood Test	Useful Info
EDTA (Purple) Haematology EDTA SPECIMENS ARE ONLY KEPT FOR 1-3 DAYS	Erythrocyte Sedimentation Rate (ESR)	Not over 24 hrs
	Full Blood Count	Not over 24 hrs
	Glycosylated Haemoglobin (HbA1c)	Not over 24 hrs
	Hypochromic Cells	Not over 24 hrs
	Plasma Viscosity	Not over 24 hrs
	Blood Film	Not over 24 hrs
	Cyclosporin	Not over 24 hrs
	Lead	Not over 24 hrs
	HLA B27	Not over 24 hrs
	Immunodeficiency Cell Markers (Lymphocyte)	Not over 24 hrs
	Jak 2 Mutation Screen	Can't be added on
	Tacrolimus	Not over 24 hrs
	Thiopurine Methyl Transferase	Not over 24 hrs
	Thiopurine TGN Metabolites	Not over 24 hrs
	Reticulocytes (Retics)	Not over 24 hrs
Serum samples	AFP Tumour Marker	Not over 48 hrs
	Anti-thyroid Antibodies (Thyroid Peroxidase)	Not over 48 hrs
	BHCG (Tumour marker)	Not over 48 hrs
	BHCG (Pregnancy)	Not over 48 hrs
	BNP	Not over 5 days
	CA-153	Not over 48 hrs
	CA-19-9	Not over 48 hrs
	CA-125	Not over 48 hrs
	CEA	Not over 48 hrs
	Ferritin	Not over 48 hrs
	Follicle Stimulating Hormone	Not over 48 hrs
	Folate (Folic Acid)	Not over 48 hrs
	Haematinics (Ferritin, Folate and B12)	Not over 24 hrs
	Iron Studies (Ferritin, Iron, Transferrin, Transferrin saturation)	Not over 48 hrs
	Luteinising Hormone	Not over 48 hrs
	Prolactin	Not over 48 hrs
	Testosterone	Not over 48 hrs
	Troponin	Not over 48 hrs
	T4	Not over 48 hrs
	T3	Not over 48 hrs
	Vitamin B12	Not over 24 hrs