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**UK NEQAS Microbiology: Distribution dates August 2020 - March 2021- REVISED**

**Revised** UK dispatch dates are shown. Specimens for overseas shipments are sent in advance to ensure that participants receive them on or around the UK dispatch date. While every effort is made to adhere to the stated schedule, it may sometimes be necessary to alter the dates of distributions for operational reasons.

<b>AAFB microscopy</b> 26/10/2020	<b>Faecal pathogens</b> 26/10/2020	<b>Molecular detection of malaria</b> 31/08/2020 23/11/2020 01/03/2021
<b>Antifungal susceptibility</b> 28/09/2020 04/01/2021	<b>Fungal biomarkers</b> 28/09/2020	<b>Molecular detection of mycobacteria</b> 26/10/2020
<b>Anti-HBs detection</b> 23/11/2020	<b>General bacteriology</b> 03/08/2020 31/08/2020 28/09/2020 26/10/2020 23/11/2020 04/01/2021 01/02/2021 01/03/2021	<b>Molecular detection of viruses in CSF</b> 03/08/2020
<b>Antimicrobial susceptibility</b> 03/08/2020 31/08/2020 28/09/2020 26/10/2020 23/11/2020 04/01/2021 01/02/2021 01/03/2021	<b>Genital pathogens</b> 31/08/2020	<b>Molecular detection of respiratory viruses</b> 28/09/2020 01/02/2021
<b>Blood borne virus</b> 26/10/2020 01/03/2021	<b>HBV DNA quantification</b> 23/11/2020	<b>MRSA screening</b> 03/08/2020 01/02/2021
<b>Blood donor screen</b> 03/08/2020 01/02/2021	<b>HCV RNA detection</b> 03/08/2020	<b>Mycobacterium culture</b> 26/10/2020
<b>Blood parasitology</b> 03/08/2020 31/08/2020 28/09/2020 23/11/2020 01/02/2021 01/03/2021	<b>Hepatitis B serology</b> 31/08/2020 04/01/2021	<b>Mycology</b> 28/09/2020 04/01/2021
<b><i>Clostridioides difficile</i></b> (formerly <i>Clostridium difficile</i> ) 31/08/2020 23/11/2020	<b>Hepatitis C serology</b> 28/09/2020	<b>Parasite serology</b> 03/08/2020 26/10/2020 04/01/2021
<b>CMV DNA quantification</b> 04/01/2021	<b>Hepatitis E serology</b> 01/03/2021	<b>Parvovirus B19 and Rubella serology</b> 01/02/2021
<b>Community medicine</b> 31/08/2020 01/03/2021	<b>HIV Point of Care</b> 31/08/2020 23/11/2020	<b>Respiratory Rapid: RSV</b> 26/10/2020 01/02/2021
<b>Cryptococcal antigen detection</b> 23/11/2020	<b>HIV serology</b> 23/11/2020 01/03/2021	<b>Rubella IgG serology</b> 04/01/2021
<b>Diagnostic serology: hepatitis</b> 26/10/2020	<b>HIV1 RNA quantification</b> 01/03/2021	<b>Molecular detection of SARS-CoV-2</b> 03/08/2020 31/08/2020 28/09/2020 26/10/2020 23/11/2020 04/01/2021 01/02/2021 01/03/2021
<b>EBV DNA quantification</b> 04/01/2021	<b>Immunity screen</b> 26/10/2020	<b>Syphilis serology</b> 03/08/2020 01/02/2021
<b>Molecular detection of faecal parasites</b> 03/08/2020 04/01/2021	<b>Malaria Rapid</b> 03/08/2020 01/02/2021	<b>Toxoplasma serology</b> 03/08/2020 26/10/2020 04/01/2021
<b>Faecal parasitology</b> 03/08/2020 31/08/2020 28/09/2020 23/11/2020 01/02/2021 01/03/2021	<b>Measles &amp; Mumps IgG serology</b> 28/09/2020	<b>Urinary antigens</b> 31/08/2020 04/01/2021
	<b>Molecular detection of <i>C. trachomatis</i>/<i>N. gonorrhoeae</i></b> 26/10/2020 01/02/2021	<b>Viral gastroenteritis</b> 01/03/2021
	<b>Molecular detection of HEV RNA</b> 01/02/2021	<b>Virus identification</b> none
	<b>Molecular detection of HPV</b> 28/09/2020 01/02/2021	