



Test	Haematology Malignancy Diagnostic Service
Common Abbreviations	HMDS
Profile	Samples for the HMDS (Haematology Malignancy Diagnostic Service) are an integral step in the diagnostic work-up and follow-up of patients with potential haematological malignancies.
Clinical indication	Suspected haematological malignancy
Specimen type	Peripheral blood (EDTA bottle) Marrow slides Marrow (EDTA bottle) Trepine (in formalin pot)
Sample type	As above
Minimum volume	1x purple top EDTA sample
Special precautions	<p>HMDS request form needs to be completed and signed by the requesting clinician. Request forms available on www.hmds.org.uk</p> <p>Request forms must be completed with clear and legible writing - where possible a printed addressograph label should be to the request form. The minimum acceptable information on the request form should include the following patient information:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Patient surname · Patient forename · NHS number / Unit number (if NHS number is not available) or date of birth <p>In addition the following information should also be supplied</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Sex · Consultant · Referral source · Location for the report (if different to referral source) · Sample type · Relevant clinical information · Date and time samples taken <p>For more information visit http://hmds.info/</p>
Stability	24 hours
Turn-around time	21 days
Referral Laboratory	HMDS, Level 3, Bexley Wing, St James University Hospital, Leeds, LS9 7TF Tel :0113 267851 OOH Tel: St Jame's switchboard: 0113 2433144



Reference interval	Details provided by referral laboratory
Limitations	Not specified