

East Suffolk and North Essex Pathology Services

INFORMATION

Faecal Immunochemical Test (FIT)

Dear Colleagues, Clinicians and Healthcare Professionals,

We have been experiencing some difficulties related to receiving FIT samples.

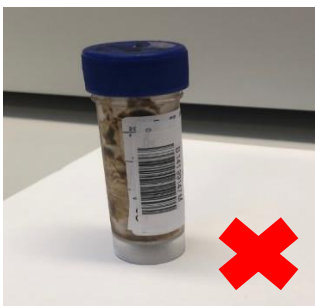
- Handwritten labelling on the bag, partial handwritten labelling on the device
- Lack of labelling on either bag or device
- Patient label stuck to bag or no labelling on device
- Label stuck on bag

The below is a guide to assist when requesting this test:

It is essential that the correct sample device is used as the sample contains preservatives to stabilise the sample before receipt into the laboratory.



Samples **must not** be sent in one of the containers **below** as Haemoglobin degrades rapidly. Samples that are received in the wrong container will not be suitable for analysis and will be **rejected**.



FIT requests are to be made via the ICE system within your practice management system. The barcode label produced from ICE **must** be used to clearly label the sample by placing it on the narrow edge of the FIT device.

Yours faithfully

Blood Sciences Laboratory