

MEMO TO SYDPATH CLIENTS

Changes to Erythrocyte Sedimentation Rate (ESR)

From: **Dr Joanne Joseph, Haematologist**

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SydPath wishes to advise the following change to the ESR test.

We are converting from a manual assay to an automated test which will result in a rapid turnaround time for results whilst simplifying the blood collection process.

SydPath no longer requires the collection of the black top seditainer tube. The test can now be performed on the same tube used for the FBC (4ml EDTA purple top tube only). This eliminates the need to collect the black top tube.

Please note the reference range change for normal will be 2-25 mm/hr.

This change will be indicated on the report.

Effective date: 19.09.2016

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