

Ref. No: 1134  
Date: 13/08/24  
Subject: LIMS & Digital Pathology Information Request

## REQUEST

I'd be grateful if you could please confirm the following information regarding the Trusts Laboratory Information Management System (LIMS), the Trusts adoption of a Digital Pathology solution as well as some high-level departmental statistics across the Trust:

**Please Note:** Definitions of each solution type are provided at the bottom of this request.

### **LIMS - Information Request**

**Current LIMS Supplier Name?**

**Current LIMS System Name?**

**Current LIMS Contract Commencement Date?**

**Current LIMS Contract Expiration Date?**

**Does the current LIMS allow for bidirectional information sharing?**

**Does the current LIMS allow for image import?**

**Current Digital Pathology Solution Current Scanner Supplier Name?**

**Current Viewer System Name and Provider?**

**Contract Commencement Date?**

**Contract Expiration Date?**

**If no Digital Pathology Solution is installed, can you please confirm the following:**

**Does the Trust have plans to adopt a Digital Pathology solution in the next 2 years?**

**Trusts Departmental Statistics Can you please confirm the number of Pathology Departments across the Trust?**

**Can you please confirm the number of Pathology slides processed per annum?**

**Can you please confirm the number of Pathology Consultants in full-time or contract employment across the Trust?**

### **System Definitions**

**Laboratory Information Management System (LIMS) - A LIMS is a software system designed to support the operations of a laboratory. It helps manage and track samples, associated data, and laboratory**

workflows. LIMS is crucial in many types of labs, including research, clinical, pharmaceutical, environmental, and manufacturing labs.

**Digital Pathology Solution - A Digital Pathology Solution is a technology platform that facilitates the digitisation, management, analysis, and sharing of pathology data. This system primarily involves converting traditional glass slide samples into high-resolution digital images, which can then be analysed using specialised software. Digital Pathology is increasingly used in clinical diagnosis, research, and education due to its numerous advantages over traditional methods.**

## RESPONSE

### **LIMS - Information Request**

**Current LIMS Supplier Name?** Dedalus

**Current LIMS System Name?** iLabTP

**Current LIMS Contract Commencement Date?** Rolling yearly contract April to March

**Current LIMS Contract Expiration Date?** As above

**Does the current LIMS allow for bidirectional information sharing?** Yes. LIMS has multiple bidirectional interfaces.

**Does the current LIMS allow for image import?** No.

**Current Digital Pathology Solution Current Scanner Supplier Name?**  
Philips

**Current Viewer System Name and Provider?** Philips IMS

**Contract Commencement Date?** April 2022

**Contract Expiration Date?** March 2027

**If no Digital Pathology Solution is installed, can you please confirm the following:**

**Does the Trust have plans to adopt a Digital Pathology solution in the next 2 years?**

**Trusts Departmental Statistics Can you please confirm the number of Pathology Departments across the Trust?** One

**Can you please confirm the number of Pathology slides processed per annum?** 350,000

**Can you please confirm the number of Pathology Consultants in full-time or contract employment across the Trust?** 17.5WTE