

Cellular Pathology Turnaround Times

Turnaround time is the time from specimen reception in Cellular Pathology to report authorisation.

1. Changes from last revision

- Removal of 7-day turnaround time for Histology biopsies and Implementation of 75% of Diagnostic Histopathology cases on the cancer pathway to be reported within 10 calendar days (from day of receipt).

2. Histology

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Histology	Turnaround Time	Comments
Resection (large specimen)	10 calendar days	From specimen receipt in Histology to report authorisation
Frozen section	30 minutes	From specimen receipt in Histology to report authorisation (Verbal report)
Skin biopsy for immunofluorescence	5 calendar days	From specimen receipt in Histology to report authorisation (Verbal report)
Bone Marrow Trepines (BMT)	20 calendar days	From specimen receipt in Histology to report authorisation

3. Diagnostic Cytology

Diagnostic Cytology	Turnaround Time (calendar days)	Comments
Diagnostic Cytology	7 days	Processed in chronological order

3. Molecular Pathology

Molecular Pathology	Turnaround Time (calendar days)	Comments
Breast Her-2 Assessment	7 calendar days	14 days if FISH is required
Gastric Her-2 IHC	7 days	
Gastric HER-2 FISH	14 days	
RAS testing (Colorectal Cancer)	14 days	Includes KRAS/BRAF/NRAS tests
BRAF Testing (Malignant melanoma)	14 days	
ALK Rearrangement D5F3 for NSCLC (by IHC)	7 days	
PD-L1 SP263 for NSCLC (by IHC)	7 days	