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Toxicology Investigation for Milk Toxin - Melamine

Please be informed that, starting from 26 September 2008, PWH Department of Chemical Pathology will provide a new service for the detection of melamine in clinical samples including urine and renal stone for the diagnosis of melamine intoxication due to tainted diary products.

The analysis will be performed by the state-of-the-art ultra-performance liquid chromatography time-of-flight mass spectrometry (UPLC-TOF/MS). Please complete the enclosed special toxicology investigation form and collect 20 mL urine in plain urine bottle and /or renal stone in plain bottle. The turnaround time for this new service is one week. If necessary, results can be available on the same day after consultation with PWH Duty Biochemist.

For further enquiry, please contact Duty Biochemist at Tel 2632-2685, or page through PWH Operator at 2632-2211.

Thank you for your kind attention.

You are most welcome to use our new service.

Sincerely yours,

Prof Christopher WK LAM Hon Chief-of-Service

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Request Form for PATIENT INFORMATION **Suspected Melamine** H.K.I.D. (三聚氰胺) Intoxication Sex / Age / Date of Birth / / For enquiry, please contact Duty Biochemist at Ward/ Bed _____ / ____ Hospital _____ 2632 2211 Clinical Details (please fill in all the blanks): < History of Exposure > Brand: □ 盒裝牛奶 _____ 毫升裝 Product: (please circle) 純牛奶 / 低脂 / 高鈣 / 高鈣低脂 / Others: _____ □奶粉 Name: _____ ☐ Others: _____ Amount on average (e.g. one cup daily) Duration (e.g. for 12 months) Stopped since: ____/____ < Clinical Signs and Symptoms > □ haematuria □ oliguria □ frequency □ loin pain ☐ dysuria proteinuria ☐ Others: _____ < USG Kidneys > □ already performed at _____ □ negative positive: (details) □ not yet performed **Test(s) Requested: Specimen(s):** ☐ **Spot urine** 20 mL (or as much as collected) ☐ Urine x Melamine in plain bottle ☐ Stone x Melamine ☐ Renal stone (if stone is passed out / obtained subsequently, please send to laboratory as a new request) ☐ Diary Product x Melamine ☐ Milk product (preferably in its original package) Attending Physician Surname and Initial (331 Code) **Specimen Collection Date:** / / **Time:** : Signature _____Contact No.____