

**PART A. Selection of a laboratory for testing:**

- The BVD Implementation Group has designated the following laboratories to test samples for BVD virus and/or antibody as part of the national BVD Eradication Programme.
- Herdowners should be aware that not all laboratories may be in a position to test all tag types and should therefore take this into account when deciding to which laboratory they will submit samples (see the table overleaf for further information).
- You should contact the laboratories directly to ensure that testing is carried out at the best price.

| Name of laboratory  | Address  | Website  | Contact  |
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| Agri Diagnostics  | Dunrine, Killarney, Co. Kerry  | <a href="http://www.agridiagnostics.ie">www.agridiagnostics.ie</a>                         | Marta Mackowska<br>064 6633922<br><a href="mailto:labs@agridiagnostics.ie">labs@agridiagnostics.ie</a>                 |
| Agri-Food & Biosciences Institute                                   | Stoney Road, Stormont, Belfast, BT4 3SD  | <a href="http://www.afbini.gov.uk">www.afbini.gov.uk</a>                                   | Emma Campbell<br>+44 (0) 28 905 25791<br><a href="mailto:bvd.testing@afbini.gov.uk">bvd.testing@afbini.gov.uk</a>      |
| Animal Health Laboratories  | Shinagh House, Bandon, Co. Cork  | <a href="http://www.animalhealthlabs.ie">www.animalhealthlabs.ie</a>                       | Nicola White<br>023 8854100<br><a href="mailto:nwhite@ahli.ie">nwhite@ahli.ie</a>                                      |
| Biobest Laboratories  | 6 Charles Darwin House, The Edinburgh Technopole, Milton Bridge, Nr Penicuik, EH26 0PY | <a href="http://www.biobest.co.uk">www.biobest.co.uk</a>                                   | Susan Duthie<br>Tel: +44 (0)131 440 2628<br><a href="mailto:Susan.Duthie@biobest.co.uk">Susan.Duthie@biobest.co.uk</a> |
| Enfer Labs  | Unit T, M7 Business Park, Newhall, Naas, Co Kildare.                                   | <a href="http://www.enfergroup.com">www.enfergroup.com</a>                                 | Paul Simmons<br>045 983 800<br><a href="mailto:paulsimmons@enfergroup.com">paulsimmons@enfergroup.com</a>              |
| Farm Lab Diagnostics  | Emlagh, Elphin, Co. Roscommon  | <a href="http://www.farmlab.ie">www.farmlab.ie</a>   | Clair McLoughlin<br>071 963 0792<br><a href="mailto:info@farmlab.ie">info@farmlab.ie</a>                               |
| FBA Laboratories Ltd  | Carrigeen Industrial Estate, Cappoquin, Co. Waterford.                                 | <a href="http://www.fba-labs.com">www.fba-labs.com</a>                                     | Conor Butler<br>058 52861<br><a href="mailto:conor@fba-labs.com">conor@fba-labs.com</a>                                |
| Independent Milk Laboratories                                       | Shercock Road, Bailieborough, Co. Cavan  | <a href="http://www.imlabs.ie">www.imlabs.ie</a>   | Dr. Robert Burns<br>042 967 5353<br><a href="mailto:robertb@imlabs.ie">robertb@imlabs.ie</a>                           |
| National Milk Laboratories Ltd.                                     | c/o iML, Shercock Road, Bailieborough, Co. Cavan                                       | <a href="http://www.nationalmilklaboratories.co.uk">www.nationalmilklaboratories.co.uk</a> | Dr. Robert Burns<br>042 967 5353<br><a href="mailto:robertb@imlabs.ie">robertb@imlabs.ie</a>                           |
| Oldcastle Laboratories  | Cogan Street, Oldcastle, Co. Meath   | <a href="http://www.oldcastlelabs.ie">www.oldcastlelabs.ie</a>                             | Michelle Carroll<br>049 854 1160<br><a href="mailto:elisa@oldcastlelabs.ie">elisa@oldcastlelabs.ie</a>                 |
| <b>DESIGNATED LABORATORIES THAT DO NOT OFFER TISSUE TAG TESTING</b> |  |  |  |
| Dairygold Milk Testing Laboratories                                 | Annabella, Mallow, Co. Cork  | <a href="http://www.dairygold.ie">www.dairygold.ie</a>                                     | Dan Curtin<br>Tel: 025 24411<br><a href="mailto:dcurtin@dairygold.ie">dcurtin@dairygold.ie</a>                         |
| Glanbia Ingredients Ireland   | Dungarvan Business Park, Dungarvan, Co. Waterford                                      | <a href="http://www.glanbiaingredientsireland.com">www.glanbiaingredientsireland.com</a>   | Siobhan Troy<br>Tel:058 51101<br><a href="mailto:giimilkadmin@glanbia.ie">giimilkadmin@glanbia.ie</a>                  |
| Irish Equine Centre   | Johnstown, Naas, Co. Kildare   | <a href="http://www.irishequinecentre.ie">www.irishequinecentre.ie</a>                     | Prof. Ann Cullinane<br>045 866 266<br><a href="mailto:acullinane@equinecentre.ie">acullinane@equinecentre.ie</a>       |

Selection of Lab for Testing of Tissue Tag Samples

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| <p>Below is a list of the laboratories and the approved tissue tag products designated by the BVD Implementation Group to provide tissue tag testing in support of the national eradication programme and the tissue tag products and associated test methods for which they are designated.</p> | DESIGNATED     |
|  | NOT DESIGNATED |

|                                     |  |        |                     |        |                                  |        |                                  |        | Tag Product Type |  |  |  |
|-------------------------------------|--|--------|---------------------|--------|----------------------------------|--------|----------------------------------|--------|------------------|--|--|--|
|                                     | Ultraflex Female TST with Dry tube /Ultraflex Male combination |        | Flexo Plus Geno     |        | Datamars MF16 DM Typifix-S Large |        | Agritags MF16 DM Typifix-S Large |        |                  |  |  |  |
| Tag supplier(s)                     | Mullinahone (Eurotags)   |        | Cormac Tagging Ltd. |        | Datamars Agi Limited             |        | Agritags                         |        |                  |  |  |  |
| Test method                         | ELISA  | RT-PCR | ELISA               | RT-PCR | ELISA                            | RT-PCR | ELISA                            | RT-PCR |                  |  |  |  |
| Agri-diagnostics                    |  |        |                     |        |                                  |        |                                  |        |                  |  |  |  |
| Agri-Food & Biosciences Institute   |  |        |                     |        |                                  |        |                                  |        |                  |  |  |  |
| Animal Health Laboratories          |  |        |                     |        |                                  |        |                                  |        |                  |  |  |  |
| Biobest Laboratories                |  |        |                     |        |                                  |        |                                  |        |                  |  |  |  |
| Dairygold Milk Testing Laboratories |  |        |                     |        |                                  |        |                                  |        |                  |  |  |  |
| Glanbia Ingredients Ireland         |  |        |                     |        |                                  |        |                                  |        |                  |  |  |  |
| Enfer Labs                          |  |        |                     |        |                                  |        |                                  |        |                  |  |  |  |
| Farm Lab Diagnostics                |  |        |                     |        |                                  |        |                                  |        |                  |  |  |  |
| FBA Laboratories Ltd                |  |        |                     |        |                                  |        |                                  |        |                  |  |  |  |
| Independent Milk Laboratories       |  |        |                     |        |                                  |        |                                  |        |                  |  |  |  |
| Irish Equine Centre                 |  |        |                     |        |                                  |        |                                  |        |                  |  |  |  |
| National Milk Laboratories Ltd      |  |        |                     |        |                                  |        |                                  |        |                  |  |  |  |
| Oldcastle Laboratories              |  |        |                     |        |                                  |        |                                  |        |                  |  |  |  |

**Part B. Selection of a laboratory for testing of blood and milk samples**

A number of laboratories have also been designated to provide additional BVD testing on blood and milk samples for both BVD virus and antibodies. Details of all designated laboratories, including their accreditation and the range of tests offered, are provided in the table overleaf. If you wish to have the results of blood or milk testing for BVD virus (or antibodies) transferred to the ICBF database for use in the programme, then it is essential that you select a laboratory from this table that is designated to perform the appropriate test on your chosen sample type(s).

| <b>BVD</b>  |  |  |  |  |             |              |                              |   |       |   |                    |    |                   |
|---|--|--|--|--|-------------|--------------|------------------------------|---|-------|---|--------------------|----|-------------------|
| <p>Below is a list of the diagnostic laboratories currently designated by the BVD Implementation Group to provide testing in support of the national BVD eradication programme, the tests and sample types to which this designation refers and the accreditation status of these tests.</p> <p>Note that the Department of Agriculture Laboratories Virology Division (Backweston) must be used for official testing for BVD and IBR (e.g. for entry to AI).</p> |  |  |  | <p>INAB (<a href="http://www.INAB.ie">www.INAB.ie</a>) and UKAS (<a href="http://www.UKAS.com">www.UKAS.com</a>) are national bodies providing accreditation to ISO 17025. CLAS (<a href="http://www.campdenbri.co.uk">www.campdenbri.co.uk</a>) is an independent body, providing accreditation according to the principles of ISO 17025.</p> |             | Key          |                              |   |       |   |                    |    |                   |
|   |  |  |  |  |             | -            | Not offered                  | B | Blood | T | Tissue (ear punch) | Mi | Milk - individual |
| Name of laboratory  | Address  | Website  | Contact  | Accreditation Body   | ELISA Virus | RTPCR        | ELISA Antibody (kit type(s)) |   |       |   |                    |    |                   |
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| Farm Lab Diagnostics  | Emlagh, Elphin, Co. Roscommon                                  | <a href="http://www.farmlab.ie">www.farmlab.ie</a>   | Clair McLoughlin<br>Tel: 071 96 30792<br><a href="mailto:info@farmlab.ie">info@farmlab.ie</a>                        | INAB   | B           | T, B      | B, Mi, Mb<br>p80             |   |       |   |                    |    |                   |
| FBA Laboratories Ltd  | Carrigeen Industrial Estate, Cappoquin, Co. Waterford. Ireland | <a href="http://www.fba-labs.com">www.fba-labs.com</a>                                     | Conor Butler<br>Tel: 058 52861<br><a href="mailto:conor@fba-labs.com">conor@fba-labs.com</a>                         | INAB   | T, B        | T         | -                            |   |       |   |                    |    |                   |
| Independent Milk Laboratories   | iML, Shercock Rd, Bailieborough, Co. Cavan                     | <a href="http://www.imlabs.ie">www.imlabs.ie</a>   | Dr. Robert Burns<br>042 967 5353<br><a href="mailto:robertb@imlabs.ie">robertb@imlabs.ie</a>                         | INAB   | T, B        | T, B      | B, Mi, Mb<br>p80             |   |       |   |                    |    |                   |
| Irish Equine Centre   | Johnstown, Naas, Co. Kildare. Ireland                          | <a href="http://www.irishequinecentre.ie">www.irishequinecentre.ie</a>                     | Prof. Ann Cullinane<br>Tel: 045 866266<br><a href="mailto:acullinane@equinecentre.ie">acullinane@equinecentre.ie</a> | INAB   | B           | B, Mi, Mb | B, Mi, Mb<br>p80             |   |       |   |                    |    |                   |
| National Milk Laboratories Ltd.   | c/o iML, Shercock Rd, Bailieborough, Co. Cavan                 | <a href="http://www.nationalmilklaboratories.co.uk">www.nationalmilklaboratories.co.uk</a> | Dr. Robert Burns<br>042 967 5353<br><a href="mailto:robertb@imlabs.ie">robertb@imlabs.ie</a>                         | INAB   | T, B        | -         | B, Mi, Mb<br>p80, WV*        |   |       |   |                    |    |                   |
| Oldcastle Laboratories  | Cogan Street, Oldcastle, Co. Meath. Ireland                    | <a href="http://www.oldcastlilabs.ie">www.oldcastlilabs.ie</a>                             | Michelle Carroll<br>Tel: 049 8541160<br><a href="mailto:elisa@oldcastlilabs.ie">elisa@oldcastlilabs.ie</a>           | INAB   | T, B        | T         | B, Mi, Mb<br>p80             |   |       |   |                    |    |                   |

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All designated laboratories are independently accredited for BVD testing and the test methods used (ELISA or RT-PCR) will, in the great majority of cases, accurately detect the presence or absence of virus in tissue and blood samples when submitted and tested correctly. However, results relate only to the sample as received by the laboratory and, whilst laboratories warrant that their tests will meet their applicable declared specifications, the laboratories make no other warranty, expressed or implied and accept no responsibility or liability in respect of false results which are within the limits of the declared specifications of the tests offered. No representation or warranty is given by AHI, ICBF, the Technical Working Group, the Implementation Group or any member, employee or other person connected with any of the foregoing bodies as to the accuracy of any BVD test methods or test results. Neither AHI, ICBF, the Technical Working Group, the Implementation Group nor any member, employee or other person connected with any of the foregoing bodies shall have any liability or responsibility in respect of any laboratory or the accuracy of any test methods, test results or reports produced by any laboratory.