

Malaria Request form

Notes:

1. Prior to requesting a malaria screen, it is important to establish that patient has been in a malaria-risk area
2. Please fill out this form and inform the haematology laboratory (Routine 057 9358351, On-call via Switch). **This form should accompany a general pathology request form**
3. Sample requirement: 1 EDTA sample (one sample can be used for FBC & Malaria screen.) The sample should arrive in the Haematology Laboratory within two hours of venepuncture. Prolonged storage in EDTA may lead to morphological changes in malarial parasites and hence hinder positive identification. The sample is **best taken during fever**, but can be taken at any time.

Patients Name:	
Chart Number:	Date of Birth:
Ward / Medical Centre:	
Requesting Clinicians Name:	
Bleep / Contact number of Clinician:	

Clinical Symptoms & Duration:	
Date of onset of symptoms:	
Travel History	
What countries has the patient travelled to during the past year?	
When did they arrive / return to Ireland?	
Were anti-malarial/prophylaxis taken during travel? (please circle)	YES / NO
If YES, what type?	
Has the patient previously had Malaria? (please circle)	YES / NO
If Yes – What species?	
If Yes – Where and when was it diagnosed?	

Laboratory Use Only	
Laboratory Number	
Date and time of Receipt	