

<b>DATE:</b>	23 June 2025
<b>TO:</b>	All Hematologists and Hematopathologists
<b>FROM:</b>	Molecular Pathology, Alberta Precision Laboratories
<b>RE:</b>	<b>VEXAS (UBA1) Send-Out Testing Update</b>

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### Key Message

- VEXAS (UBA1) testing will now be sent to Mayo Clinic Laboratories until further notice
- Continue to use the VEXAS ESO order in Epic

### Background

- National Institutes of Health has paused VEXAS (UBA1) testing service temporarily. Until this testing pathway resumes, samples will be sent to Mayo Clinic Laboratories to ensure there is no interruption to patient care.

### How this will impact you

- Submitters can continue to use existing VEXAS referred-out test orderable in EPIC for requesting the test.
- Specimens are to be shipped to Mayo Clinic Laboratories either on cold pack or at room temperature. Samples are viable for up to 7 days post collection.
- A completed [Hematopathology Patient Information](#) form from Mayo Clinic Laboratories needs to be attached with the sample.

### Action Required

- Refer to the Test Directory for detailed specimen handling instructions.
- Complete the Hematopathology Patient Information form
- Discontinue using the NIH patient information forms

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### Questions/Concerns

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