

		Parechovirus CMV
Meconium	Yes	Adenovirus Enterovirus Parechovirus
Swabs e.g. placenta spleen, lung	Yes	Adenovirus Enterovirus Parechovirus CMV
Serum	No	Tests Selected on basis of information provided
Tissue (Fresh)	Yes	Adenovirus Enterovirus Parechovirus CMV Additional Tests on the basis of information provided
Tissue (Formalin Fixed, Paraffin Embedded)	No	Adenovirus Enterovirus Parechovirus CMV Additional tests on the basis of information provided

Table 6.1: Investigation of Specimens from Post Mortem & Intrauterine Death

6.2 Intrauterine Death

The Royal College of Physicians of Ireland (RCPI) Institute of Obstetricians & Gynaecologists has published a Clinical Practice Guideline on the Investigation & Management of Late Foetal Intrauterine Death and Stillbirth, a copy of which can be found in the Guidelines section of the NVRL website.

PM samples from IUD & Stillbirth are processed in accordance with Section/Table 6.1 above. Investigation for Parvovirus B19, *Toxoplasma gondii*, Rubella and *T pallidum* is not routinely performed in the absence of positive maternal serology and/or relevant clinical findings.

Please note the NVRL stores antenatal bloods for two years (from the date of the sample) and retrospective testing of maternal samples may be possible.

6.3 Investigation of Suspected Congenital Infection

Congenital (or neonatal) infections for which the NVRL provides a diagnostic service include *Toxoplasma*, Rubella, CMV, Herpes, and *Treponema pallidum* (syphilis). However, the preferred sample type differs for some of these pathogens.