

**The Bovine Viral Diarrhoea Eradication Scheme**  
**Order (NI) 2016**  
**Laboratory Approvals**

**PART A. Laboratories designated for testing of ear punch samples.**

The Department of Agriculture & Rural Development (DARD) has designated the following laboratories to test ear punch samples taken as part of the Northern Ireland BVD Eradication Programme.


Each designated tag supplier has put an arrangement in place with one (or more) of these suppliers. When you purchase tags the price will include the cost of the laboratory testing. The supplier will provide you with packaging addressed to the relevant testing laboratory.

Name of laboratory	Address	Website	Contact
<b>Agri-Food &amp; Biosciences Institute (AFBI)</b>	Stoney Road, Stormont, Belfast, BT4 3SD	<a href="http://www.afbini.gov.uk">www.afbini.gov.uk</a>	<b>Maria Guelbenzu</b> <b>028 905 25749</b> <a href="mailto:maria.guelbenzu@afbini.gov.uk">maria.guelbenzu@afbini.gov.uk</a>
<b>Enfer Labs</b>	Unit T M7 Business Park, Newhall Naas, Co. Kildare	<a href="http://www.enfergroup.com">www.enfergroup.com</a>	<b>Dr Paul Simmons</b> <b>0035345983805</b> <a href="mailto:paulsimmons@enfergroup.com">paulsimmons@enfergroup.com</a>
<b>National Milk Laboratories</b>	32 Kelvin Avenue , Hillington Park, Glasgow G52 4LT	<a href="http://www.nationalmilklaboratories.co.uk">www.nationalmilklaboratories.co.uk</a>	<b>Derek Connolly</b> <b>01418926284</b> <a href="mailto:derekc@nmr.co.uk">derekc@nmr.co.uk</a>

<b>The Cattle Information Service (CIS)</b>	Speir House Stafford Park One, Telford, Shropshire TF3 3BD	<a href="http://www.thecis.co.uk">www.thecis.co.uk</a>	<b>Dena Snidall</b> <b>01923 695391</b> <a href="mailto:Dena.snidall@thecis.co.uk">Dena.snidall@thecis.co.uk</a>
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## PART B. Selection of a laboratory for testing of blood and milk samples

In addition, a number of laboratories have also been designated to provide additional BVD testing on blood and milk samples for both BVD virus and antibodies. Further details of these tests are provided overleaf. If you wish to have the results of blood or milk testing for BVD virus (or antibodies) transferred to the AHWNI 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) and include a signed instruction to transfer test results to the AHWNI database.

Below is a list of the diagnostic laboratories currently designated by the BVD Implementation Group to provide testing in support of the Northern Ireland BVD eradication programme, the tests and sample types to which this designation refers and the accreditation status of these tests.			ISO 17025 is an internationally recognised standard for accreditation for tests provided by laboratories, that includes assessment of the quality, administrative and technical systems in operation and provides reassurance to clients of the accuracy of the results generated.		<b>Key</b> <span style="background-color: #008000; display: inline-block; width: 15px; height: 10px; vertical-align: middle;"></span> INAB/ UKAS accredited to ISO 17025 X Not offered B Blood T Tissue Mi Milk - individual Mb Milk – bulk tank			
Laboratory	Address	Website	Contact	INAB/ UKAS Number	ELISA Virus	RTPCR	ELISA Antibody	CHeCS Provider
Agri-Food & Biosciences Institute	Stoney Road, Stormont, Belfast, BT4 3SD	<a href="http://www.afbini.gov.uk">www.afbini.gov.uk</a>	Maria Guelbenzu +44 (0) 28 905 25749 <a href="mailto:Maria.guelbenzu@afbini.gov.uk">Maria.guelbenzu@afbini.gov.uk</a>	2632	T, B	T, B, Mi, Mb	B, Mi, Mb	
Enfer Labs	Unit T M7 Business Park, Newhall, Naas, County. Kildare	<a href="http://www.enfergroup.com">www.enfergroup.com</a>	Michael Kennedy +035345 983800 <a href="mailto:michaekennedy@enfergroup.com">michaekennedy@enfergroup.com</a>	294T	T, B	T,B	B,Mi, Mb	No
National Milk Laboratories	32 Kelvin Avenue , Hillington Park, Glasgow G52 4LT	<a href="http://www.nationalmilklaboratories.co.uk">www.nationalmilklaboratories.co.uk</a>	Ben Bartlett 07974313269 <a href="mailto:Benb@nml.co.uk">Benb@nml.co.uk</a>	2051	T,B	x	B, Mi, Mb	No
The Cattle Information Service (CIS)	Speir House Stafford Park One, Telford, Shropshire TF3 3BD	<a href="http://www.thecis.co.uk">www.thecis.co.uk</a>	Dena Snidall 01923 695391 <a href="mailto:Dena.snidall@thecis.co.uk">Dena.snidall@thecis.co.uk</a>	7851	T, B	x	Mi, Mb	No

## PART C. Disclaimer

*No biological test is 100% accurate. If an inaccurate result is suspected, the animal should be isolated and re-tested.*

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 AHWNI, AFBI, 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 AHWNI, AFBI, 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.

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