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Subject: Details of testing of H.Pylori

- Q1 How do you test for *H. Pylori* infection during upper GI endoscopies ? Please specify what tests you use, eg, Culture Biopsy (Pathology), Urease.
- A1 [CLO Testing and Urea Breath Test Follow up, following eradication](#)
- Q2 How many H. Pylori tests are performed in a typical month?
- A2 [We do average of 6 Urea Breath Tests per month](#)
- Q3 Who decides to purchase H. Pylori tests?
- A3 [This would be up to the Pharmacy department](#)
- Q4 Which *H.Pylori* test(s) do you use most?
- A4 [CLO Testing](#)
- Q5 Why do you use these tests most?
- A5 [As per current Guidelines on Management of H pylori gastritis in children, endoscopy and biopsy is the most definitive test and hence we use this the most. Guidelines from UK and European groups](#)
- Q6 Where in the hospital is the test usually done, and by whom?
- A6 [Helicobacter Test INFAI done by Gastrointestinal Physiology Department, CLO done in endoscopy, stool testing done in the lab](#)
- Q7 What medication do you use to treat H, Pylori? Please give drug name and brand.
- A7 [We would use a combination of omeprazole, amoxicillin, and Clarithromycin/metronidazole dependent on medication history.](#)
- Q8 What is the typical cost per test? Please give an estimate for unbranded or laboratory own tests.
- A8 [Information exempt under Section 43 – Commercial Interests](#)

[Individual pricing has been exempted \(S43\) due to the potential damage to commercial interests of the current suppliers as release of this information and any other unique pricing likely to be requested for disclosure would allow other competitors a significant competitive advantage and thus harm the commercial interests of our current suppliers.](#)

- Q9 Do you use a Urease test for H. Pylori? If not, what type of test do you use? Eg breath test, culture, etc.
- Q9 We use the Rapid Urease test also called CLO test for detecting H pylori during endoscopy.
We also use the c13 urease breath test to test efficacy of treatment of H pylori.
- Q10 If you use a Urease test for H. Pylori, what type of Urease H. Pylori test do you use? Please give drug name and brand.
- A10 Helicobacter Test INFAI