## **Down's Syndrome Screening**

## **General Information:**

<b>Laboratory Name</b>	Obstetrics Screening Laboratory		
<b>Laboratory Address</b>	Room 20-21, 2/F, Dept O&G,		
	South Wing, Li Ka Shing Specialist Clinic,		
	Prince of Wales Hospital, Shatin,		
	New Territory, Hong Kong		
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Contact Fax.	852-27252638		
Contact email	obsscreening@cuhk.edu.hk		
<b>Opening Hours</b>	09:00-13:00, 14:00-17:00		
	Mon – Fri except public holiday		
Scope of Service	1. Chemical Pathology, serum testing on		
	First Trimester	Second Trimester	
	Pregnancy	Pregnancy	
	Free beta subunit of	Alpha-fetoprotein (AFP)	
	Human Chorionic		
	Gonadotropin (fβ-HCG)		
	Pregnancy-associated	Free beta subunit of	
	plasma protein A (PAPP-	Human Chorionic	
	(A)	Gonadotropin (fβ-HCG)	
		Human unconjugated	
		estriol (uE3)	
		Inhibin A	
	2. Down Syndrome Screening Risk Report		
	First Trimester	Second Trimester	
	<b>Combined Down</b>	Biochemical Down	
	Syndrome Screening	Syndrome Screening	
	The above 2 biochemical	The above 4 biochemical	

	tests in con	mbination of tests in single panel.	
	nuchal tran	slucency by	
	ultrasound sonography		
	3. Others: First Trimester Down Syndrome		
	Screening (Rare occasion)		
	Type of Applicable to situation when		
	Reports		
	NT only	Singleton pregnancy and subject refuses blood taking or is difficult	
		to draw blood.	
		2. Vanishing twin pregnancy with	
		demised fetus >6 weeks or fetal	
		pole seen.	
		3. Triplet pregnancy.	
	Biochemical	1. Singleton pregnancy and fetus	
	only	position not favorable for NT	
		measurement.	
Sample Reception	Before 15:00 daily when open		

## **Patient Target Group:**

	First Trimester Combined	Second Trimester Biochemical
	Down Syndrome Screening	Down Syndrome Screening
Age	15 - 55	15 - 55
Gender	Female	Female
Gestation	11w0d to 13w6d	15w0d to 20w0d
Period		
Singleton	Yes	Yes
Pregnancy		
Twin Pregnancy	Yes	No
Ultrasound	Crown Rump Length (CRL)	Not applicable
Sonography	and Nuchal Translucency	
	(NT) by UK FMF licensed	
	sonographer	
Crown Rump	42.0 – 84.0 mm	Not applicable
Length (CRL)		

## **Sonographer Preparation:**

	First Trimester Combined	Second Trimester
	Down Syndrome Screening	Biochemical Down
		Syndrome Screening
1.	Sonographer should be UK FMF licensed.	Not applicable
2.	Sonographer should establish a unique ID account in the laboratory database in advance via contact at < admin_obsscreening@cuhk.edu.hk>	
3.	Annual recertification in UK FMF is necessary to maintain valid practice.	