

<b>Clinical Directorate of Laboratory Medicine, Beaumont Hospital</b>			
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<b>PSA method change – follow-up.</b>			

## MEMORANDUM

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**Issued To:** All Beaumont Hospital Users

**Subject:** PSA methods

The PSA method changed on 23 February 2018 and all users were notified of the changes.

We wish to clarify the procedure for requesting PSA analysis using both current Roche and 'old' Beckman methods. This may be required in patients with known disease, under surveillance, to re-establish a baseline value using the new Roche method.

When a patient requires a PSA analysed using both methods:  
In the PIPE ordering screen select **Specialty**, then **Urology** and the PSA BECKMAN COULTER order will be there in addition to PSA ROCHE. This is the only access to the PSA BECKMAN order.

When referring patients to Phlebotomy it is essential to ensure that PSA BECKMAN is clearly written as a request on the form.

The Beckman result will be scanned into PIPE when returned from the referral laboratory.

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