



## Laboratory Update

During the last 12 months Virtus Diagnostics Victoria has undergone many changes and expanded its testing capabilities and service offerings to our Specialists and General Practitioners.

We have increased our scope of tests with the introduction of several new analysers in our chemistry, endocrinology and haematology departments.

We can now offer a full haematology service as well as fully automated blood banking. In the coming weeks we will provide full Thrombophilia screening profiles such as Lupus.

We successfully gained NATA corporate accreditation for all our laboratories and we have transitioned all of our general, genetics and andrology laboratories nationally onto a central Laboratory Information System (LIMS).

## PGD Laboratory

Our PGD laboratory offers world class testing services for aneuploidy, chromosome structural rearrangements and for monogenic disease testing. The PGD laboratory successfully gained NATA accreditation last year and we are currently working towards implementing a LIMS system with the expected improvements in the reporting experience that will also include electronic result downloads.

## Genetics Laboratory

Our Genetics laboratories are at the forefront of genetic testing in fertility and reproductive health. Our research and development ensures that our Genetic testing remains at world class standards.

New information brochures are now available on our Virtus Genetic Screen, (VGS) – Cystic Fibrosis, Fragile X and SMA, Preconception Genetic Screening, Genetic Fertility Panels and Non Invasive Prenatal Testing (NIPT). These brochures will be sent to you over the coming days.

Further information on our specialist genetic testing is available on our website at [virtusdiagnostics.com.au](http://virtusdiagnostics.com.au)

## Our New Website

June saw the launch of our new website [www.virtusdiagnostics.com.au](http://www.virtusdiagnostics.com.au)

Here you will find information on Medicare criteria for pathology testing, view your patient results online, find your nearest collection centre, secure online payment facilities, pathology consumable ordering and more.

Access to web results via our Medical-Objects portal is available. Please advise the Laboratory if access is required.

We look forward to expanding the Virtus Diagnostics footprint throughout Victoria with new collection centres, a larger courier fleet and offering more general pathology and genetic testing to our specialists & GP's.

If your medical practice would like an onsite pathology collection centre, I welcome the opportunity to discuss this with you.

If you have any enquires or feedback on our services please do not hesitate to contact me on 1800 837 284 or email directly at [gordon.kannemeyer@virtusdiagnostics.com.au](mailto:gordon.kannemeyer@virtusdiagnostics.com.au)

*Thank you for your continued support*

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