

Reference:	FOI.18040.25
Subject:	Lipoprotein(a) testing
Date of Request:	8 August 2025

Requested:

1. Does your Health Board currently offer Lipoprotein(a) [Lp(a)] blood testing? (Yes/No)
If yes, please provide the total number of Lp(a) tests requested or performed per year, for the last four financial years (2020–21 to 2023–24), broken down if possible as follows:
 - a. Requested by primary care
 - b. Requested by secondary care (hospital clinics or inpatients)
 - If available, please provide the number of Lp(a) tests that returned a raised result, as defined locally (e.g. >125 nmol/L or >50 mg/dL), per year over the same period.
 - If available, please provide the number of unique patients tested for Lp(a) per year (i.e. not total test counts, but distinct individuals).
2. If Lp(a) testing is not currently available within your Health Board, do you refer these tests to an external laboratory or partner organisation? (Yes/No – please specify name of partner if possible)

Response:

1. Hywel Dda University Health Board (UHB) confirms that no, it does not offer Lipoprotein(a) (Lp(a)) blood testing.
2. The UHB confirms that blood tests for Lp(a) are sent to the Medical Biochemistry and Immunology Department, Cardiff & Vale University Health Board, University Hospital of Wales, Heath Park, Cardiff CF14 4XW.