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All pathology samples must be sorted into coloured transport bags by discipline as follows:

Place each patient's samples (with forms attached) into an ICE bag

Place each ICE bag into the relevant colour transport bag

Yellow	Blue	Green	Red	Orange	Purple																												
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