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To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to inform you that we are suspending our **alpha-1-antitrypsin phenotype** (A1AT) service in Reference Biochemistry (part of the SYNLAB/Viapath Partnership). We regret that with immediate effect, we can no longer accept your referred samples for this test.

This service suspension is the result of a consumable supply issue encountered by the manufacturer of the A1AT test kit that we use (Sebia). Our vendor is unable to provide a precise timeline of when they expect the A1AT kit to become available again, but we anticipate this may take several months.

We apologise profusely for the suspension of the A1AT phenotyping service and will provide you with an update to this situation by Friday 22nd April. We will analyse the samples previously received.

Please contact the Immunochemistry Laboratory at King's College Hospital (tel. 020 3299 4130) for further information if required or Dr Colin Stone (Service Delivery Manager – tel. 020 3299 4107).

Yours sincerely,



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