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## Top Tips for Best Practice in AKI reporting

1. Check that your LIMS deals with a null creatinine result appropriately i.e. not reporting 'AKI stage 0'
2. Ensure that serum creatinine results within or below the reference interval are not excluded from the AKI detection algorithm
3. Be aware that mixing results from different serum creatinine methods (including POCT) in the same or different fields within the LIMS will seriously compromise the clinical effectiveness of the algorithm
4. Develop local procedures that are effective for excluding patient groups for which the algorithm is unsuitable e.g. patients on haemodialysis
5. Use a variety of communication channels for informing clinicians about the AKI warning grade test results eg. GP newsletters

