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Stool Assessment – Bristol Stool Chart

Type 1		Separate hard lumps, like nuts (hard to pass)	Type 2		Sausage-shaped but lumpy
Type 3		Like a sausage but with cracks on its surface	Type 4		Like a sausage or snake, smooth and soft

Types 5 to 7: Please contact IPCT regarding isolating the patient, send stool samples for *C. difficile* to microbiology and for norovirus to virology.

Type 5  Soft blobs with clear-cut edges (passed easily)	Type 6  Fluffy pieces with ragged edges, a mushy stool
Type 7  Watery, no solid pieces. Entirely Liquid.	<p>Reproduced by kind permission of Dr KW Heaton, Reader in Medicine at the University of Bristol.</p>

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