

External QA program of Clinical Chemistry in 2013

Clinical Chemistry Program

- Collaborate with RIQAS (by Randox Laboratories Ltd) from July 2012
- Total no. of participants: 45
(39 labs with 6 labs submitting 2 sets of results)

Program details:

- One sample per month
- 39 Analytes covered:

Albumin	AST	Calcium, Total
ALP	Bicarbonate	Calcium, Ionised
ALT	Bile acids	Chloride
Amylase, Total	Bilirubin, Direct	Cholesterol, Total
Amylase, Pancreatic	Bilirubin, Total	CK

Creatinine	Osmolality	Total T3
GGT	Magnesium	Free T4
Glucose	Phosphate	Total T4
HDL-Cholesterol	Potassium	TIBC
Iron	Protein, Total	Triglycerides
LD	PSA, Total	TSH
Lipase	Sodium	Urea
Lithium	Free T3	Uric Acid

Alkaline Phosphatase, U/l @ 37°C

	N	Mean	CV%	U_{95}	SDPA	Exc.
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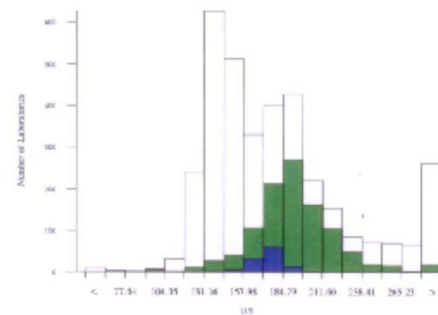
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Acceptable limits derived from Biological Variation

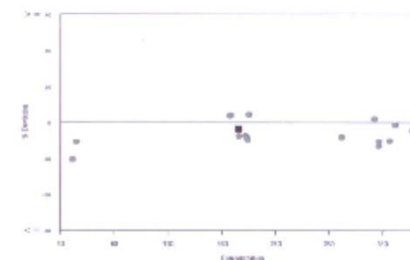
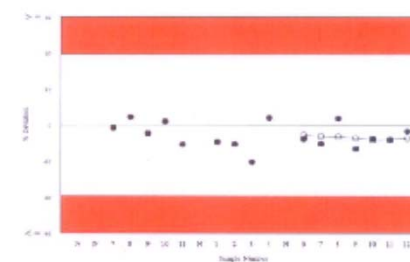
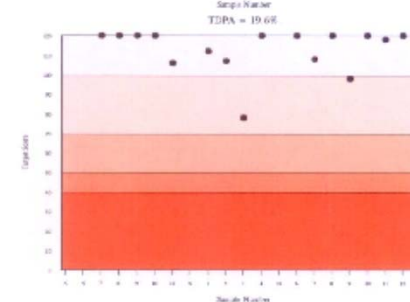
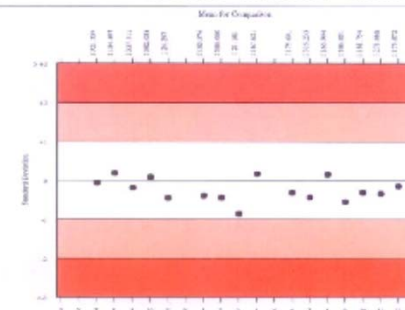
11.7%

Acceptable limits of performance for RIQAS

19.80%



Method	N	Mean	CV%	U_{95}
AMP, optimised to IFCC	959	191.078	10.6	0.82
Roche AMP buffer IFCC	543	140.468	5.9	0.34
Tris(hydroxymethyl)aminoethane buffer, DEA	986	219.180	12.8	2.26
Dialy Diagnostics, AMP buffer	258	145.160	13.4	1.82
Ortho Vitron MicroSlide Systems	228	135.818	3.8	0.75
Other AMP kits	187	183.241	6.5	1.10
AMP, non-optimised	144	183.318	6.4	1.72
Tris(hydroxymethyl)aminoethane buffer, KA units	35	240.496	12.3	4.80
AMP, optimised to NIVKO-SIBC	19	200.194	19.4	8.86
Vitro-Diagnostic D10915C II	13	135.780	35.5	16.83
Tris(hydroxymethyl)aminoethane buffer	10	185.330	18.2	13.35
AMP, reduced interference	7	182.018	4.4	3.80
- select -	7	181.857	8.4	7.25
Other Dry Chemistry	7	153.000	28.2	61.25



RIQAS Evaluation of performance

Acceptable criteria:

- Target score greater than 50
- SDI less than $\pm 2SD$ from the mean for comparison
- % Deviation within the “acceptable limits” set by RIQAS

(From RIQAS: Evaluation of Performance 2012 eng.doc)

Report text section

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Acceptable limits derived from Biological Variation 11.7%

Acceptable limits of performance for RIQAS 19.60%

SDI

Target score

% deviation

Target deviation for performance assessment (TDPA)

Criteria for selection of Mean for comparison

- Return results are compared to a mean for comparison
- The mean is generated by consensus (with outliers excluded)
- Minimum of 5 results to generate the instrument group mean
- <5 results, submitted result will be compared to method group mean

Target score calculation

Calculate percent deviation (V)

$$V = \frac{(\text{Your result} - \text{Mean for Comparison})}{\text{Mean for Comparison}} \times 100$$

$$TS = \frac{\log_{10} (3.16 \times \text{TDPA})}{|V|} \times 100$$

TDPA=Target Deviation for Performance Assessment (%)

Target	Score	Performance
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<40		Unacceptable
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41	-	50	
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51	-	70	
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71	-	100	
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101	-	120	
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Standard Deviation Index Score

$$\text{SDI} = \frac{\text{participant's result} - \text{mean for comparison}}{\text{SDPA}}$$

Standard Deviation Index Score

Calculate the standard deviation for Performance Assessment (SDPA) from CV for Performance Assessment (CVPA):

$$\text{CVPA} = \frac{\text{TDPA}}{\text{t-value}}$$

t-value ~ 1.645 ($\sim 10\%$ labs have poor performance)

$$\text{SDPA} = \frac{\text{CVPA} \times \text{Mean for comparison}}{100}$$

$$\text{SDI} = \frac{\text{participant's result} - \text{mean for comparison}}{\text{SDPA}}$$

When Uncertainty (U_m) > 0.3 SDPA, the SDPA becomes SDPA_{adjusted}

$$\text{SDPAadjusted} = \sqrt{(\text{Um}^2 + \text{SDPA}^2)}$$

$$\text{Um} = \frac{1.25 \times \text{SD}}{\sqrt{n}}$$

SD=SD calculated when the mean for comparisons are generated

N =No. of results to calculate the SD

$$\text{SDI} = \frac{\text{participant's result} - \text{mean for comparison}}{\text{SDPAadjusted}}$$

Acceptable: SDI less than ± 2 SDPAs from the mean for comparison

Percentage Deviation Score (%Dev)

$$\%Deviation = \frac{\text{participant's result} - \text{mean for comparison}}{\text{mean for comparison}} \times 100$$

Acceptable: %Deviation < target deviation for performance assessment

Participation details

Total no. of participants in 2013:

Start of year 2013: 45

End of year 2013: 43

Start of year 2014: 45 (2 participants newly added)

Participants distribution:

Private laboratories: 28	(62.2%)
Private hospitals: 9	(20.0%)
Hospital Authority: 5	(11.1%)
University: 2	(4.4%)
Private laboratory (overseas): 1	(2.2%)

Results submission:

- On-line submission: 35 nos. (77.8%)
By fax: 10 nos. (22.2%)
- The due date can be deferred for 2 days if results are submitted on-line
- Submission rate:
100% submission: 34 nos. (75.6%)

Analytes distribution:

20 analytes with more than 40 participants:

Na, K, CL, Urea, Creatinine,
TP, Alb, T. Bili, ALP, ALT, AST, GGT
T. Cholesterol, Triglycerides, HDL-Cholesterol,
Calcium, Phosphate, Uric acid, CK,
Glucose

Analytes distribution:

2 analytes with 35 - 40 participants:

Fe, LD

4 analytes with 31 - 34 participants:

TT4, TSH, Amylase, D. Bili

4 analytes with 20 - 30 participants:

Bicarbonate, TT3, TIBC, Mg

Analytes distribution:

4 analytes with 5-10 participants:

Ionised calcium, Lipase, Lithium,
Osmolality

5 analytes with 1-3 participants:

P. Amylase, Bile acids, Total PSA,
FT3, FT4

Analysers used (in alphabetical order):

Architect C system

Beckman Coulter AU system

Beckman Coulter Dxc system

Biomerieux Vidas/mini Vidas/Vidas 3

Ortho Vitros system

Randox Rx series / Menar F360/560

Roche Cobas C501/C502, e601/e602,
C111

Roche Cobas 4000/e411

Roche Hitachi 902/904/911/912/917

Roche Hitachi Modular D, Elesys

Siemens/Dade Dimension RxL/Max/Xpand

Siemens/Dade Dimension Vista

Errors observed:

- Transcription error: 9 participants (20%)
- Incorrect units
- Swapped samples
- Incorrect method classifications
- ? Effectiveness of follow-up actions for unsatisfactory samples



**Clinical Chemistry Programme Year 2014
RIQAS Cycle 11**

**Please return survey data to
<http://riqasconnect.randox.com/riqas/login.asp> or
2124 2798 (fax)**

NOTE: Analysed within two days of reconstitution

Sample Number	Deadline of submission to HKIMLSQAP	Sample Number	Deadline of submission to HKIMLSQAP
1	20 January 2014	7	21 July 2014
2	17 February 2014	8	18 August 2014
3	24 March 2014	9	22 September 2014
4	22 April 2014	10	20 October 2014
5	19 May 2014	11	17 November 2014
6	16 June 2014	12	22 December 2014

For any questions concerning the RIQAS
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Thank you !