



Blood Donor Screen EQA

This scheme is designed for clinical diagnostic laboratories and national blood services routinely screening blood donations for HBV, HCV, HIV, HTLV and *Treponema pallidum*

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To provide an EQA primarily for clinical diagnostic microbiology laboratories and national blood services.

The EQA includes testing for Hepatitis B surface antigen (HBsAg), Hepatitis B core antibody (Anti-HBc), HIV-1/2 Ag/Ab, HCV Ag/Ab, anti-Human T-lymphotropic Virus I/II (HTLV I/II) and treponemal antibody.

- ✓ Six distributions in a financial year each containing three specimens
- ✓ Specimens supplied in liquid (human serum) format
- ✓ Country-specific performance analysis available for countries with greater than 10 participants
- ✓ Two week period for examination and reporting results
- ✓ Helps identify performance issues in a prompt manner
- ✓ Scheme supported by qualified and experienced professionals
- ✓ Educational
- ✓ Repeat specimens available (free of charge) for EQA failure investigation
- ✓ Intended results will appear on our website www.ukneqasmicro.org.uk the day after the closing date and reports will be issued within 20 working days
- ✓ Accredited in accordance with **ISO/IEC 17043:2010**

For further information, please contact the Virology Scheme Manager by email: organiser@ukneqasmicro.org.uk

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