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SUMMARY ANALYSIS**

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**Diagnostic Immunology & Human Immunodeficiency Virus
Summary Report**

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The data summarized in this report were tabulated from test results and accompanying information submitted by laboratories that participated in the September 10, 2008 Diagnostic Immunology and Human Immunodeficiency Virus proficiency test events. Participants are encouraged to review the data and to compare results and test kit performances.

Laboratories were evaluated on the basis of their responses for each analyte and on overall performance for all the analytes tested in the permit category. Appropriate responses were determined by participant consensus requiring 80% agreement in each test.

Qualitative/quantitative results were graded in relation to results given by participants for specific test kits. When the number of participants that used a specific test kit was less than 10, results were graded considering results given for the method used. Target values and acceptable ranges were determined as indicated in Page 4.

Grading Criteria:

- ▶ For each separate analyte where results were reported, qualitative or quantitative, twenty points were deducted for each incorrect answer. For Syphilis-Reagin (RPR), where both qualitative and quantitative results are reported under one analyte, ten points were deducted for each incorrect quantitative or qualitative result. Titering of positive Syphilis-Reagin samples is mandatory for all Diagnostic Services laboratories who perform this test, unless given an exemption. Failure to titer the positive samples to the endpoint will result in failure for the Syphilis-Reagin analyte.
- ▶ For **Diagnostic Services** failure to attain an overall testing score of at least 80% is unsatisfactory performance
- ▶ For **Donor Services** failure to attain an overall testing score of 100% is unsatisfactory performance.
- ▶ For **HIV** failure to attain an overall testing score of 100% is unsatisfactory performance.
- ▶ Laboratories failing two out of three consecutive proficiency test events for an analyte or for the permit category will fail the proficiency testing program for the analyte or for the permit category and may be required to cease patient testing for that analyte/category.

Summary Tables

Test kit manufacturer names are in *italics*. In some tables, test kits are grouped under test methods shown in bold letters. In all tables, test methods and test kit manufacturer names are listed in alphabetic order. Only the testing systems used by 10 or more laboratories are listed in this report.

For qualitative tests, results are summarized as the number of laboratories that reported a test sample as reactive to the number that reported it as non-reactive. In addition, where test results depend on a quantitative value (e.g. titer, IU/ml) the values reported are given in separate tables. They are expressed, where applicable, as the Mean \pm S.D. when ten or more laboratories reported data.

For quantitative tests, values reported variously as mg/dl, IU/ml, etc. are given as the Mean \pm S.D. when ten or more laboratories reported results. Titers are given as endpoint titers.

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Determination of Acceptable Responses

Analyte or Test	Criteria
Alpha-1 Antitrypsin	Target value \pm 3 S.D.
Antinuclear Antibody	Positive or negative
Antinuclear Antibody Quantitative (IFA systems only)	Target value \pm 2 dilutions
Antistreptolysin O	Positive or negative
Antistreptolysin O Quantitative	Target value \pm 2 dilutions or Target value \pm 3 S.D.
Complement C'3, C'4	Target value \pm 3 S.D.
Cytomegalovirus Antibody	Positive or negative
Hepatitis (HbsAg, anti-HBc, HBeAg, and HCAb)	Reactive or nonreactive
HIV 1 Ab, Ag	Reactive or nonreactive
HTLV 1 Ab	Positive or negative
Lyme Disease Ab, WB IgG, IgM	Positive or negative
Immunoglobulin A, E, M	Target value \pm 3 S.D.
Immunoglobulin G	Target value \pm 25 %
Infectious Mononucleosis	Positive or negative
Rheumatoid Factor	Positive or negative
Rheumatoid Factor Quantitative	Target value \pm 2 dilutions or Target value \pm 3 S.D.
Rubella Ab, IgM	Positive or negative or Immune or nonimmune
Rubella Ab Quantitative	Target value \pm 3 S.D.
Syphilis Reagin Antibody	Reactive or nonreactive Target value \pm 1 dilution
Syphilis Treponemal Antibody	Reactive or nonreactive

Antinuclear Antibody

Participant Results/ Sample Number																					
R = Reactive/ Positive; N = Non-Reactive/ Negative																					
Method	No. Labs	46 N				47 N				48 N				49 R				50 N			
		N	%	R	%	N	%	R	%	N	%	R	%	N	%	R	%	N	%	R	%
EIA	42	42	100%	0	0%	42	100%	0	0%	42	100%	0	0%	0	0%	42	100%	42	100%	0	0%
<i>Bio-Rad</i>	11	11	100%		0%	11	100%		0%	11	100%		0%		0%	11	100%	11	100%		0%
<i>Others</i>	31	31	100%		0%	31	100%		0%	31	100%		0%		0%	31	100%	31	100%		0%
IFA	65	65	100%	0	0%	65	100%	0	0%	63	97%	2	3%	2	3%	63	97%	65	100%	0	0%
<i>Bio-Rad</i>	18	18	100%		0%	18	100%		0%	17	94%	1	6%	1	6%	17	94%	18	100%		0%
<i>The Binding Site</i>	10	10	100%		0%	10	100%		0%	9	90%	1	10%	1	10%	9	90%	10	100%		0%
<i>Wampole/Zeus</i>	18	18	100%		0%	18	100%		0%	18	100%		0%		0%	18	100%	18	100%		0%
<i>Others</i>	19	19	100%		0%	19	100%		0%	19	100%		0%		0%	19	100%	19	100%		0%
Multiplexed Bead	16	16	100%		0%	16	100%		0%	16	100%		0%		0%	16	100%	16	100%		0%
Other Methods	4	3	75%	1	25%	3	75%	1	25%	4	100%		0%		0%	4	100%	4	100%		0%
Analyte Total	127	126	99%	1	1%	126	99%	1	1%	125	98%	2	2%	2	2%	125	98%	127	100%	0	0%

Antinuclear Antibody Quantitative (IFA systems only)

The number of laboratories that reported titers is listed for positive test sample 49. Only testing systems with 10 or more laboratories reporting titers are listed in this table.

Method	No. Laboratories	Sample 49							
		Titer							
Manufacturer	Labs	40	80	160	320	640	1280	2560	5120
IFA	Total	95	3	5	34	28	19		2
	<i>Bio-Rad</i>	25	1	3	11	6	2		
	<i>Immuno</i>	13			2	4	6		1
	<i>The Binding site</i>	17			7	2	6		
	<i>Wampole/ Zeus</i>	22	1	1	7	7	4		1

Note: The number of labs reporting specific titers may not add up to the total number of labs for that system because some labs are not reporting endpoint titers.

Antinuclear Antibody Staining Patterns

Staining Pattern	Sample 49	
	#	%
<i>Homogenous</i>	91	97%
<i>Nucleolar</i>		
<i>Peripheral</i>		
<i>Speckled</i>	3	3%

The reporting of a staining pattern here is for informational purposes only and is not used for grading.

Antistreptolysin O

Participant Results/ Sample Number																					
R = Reactive/ Positive; N = Non-Reactive/ Negative																					
Method	No. Labs	16 R				17 R				18 N				19 N				20 N			
		N	%	R	%	N	%	R	%	N	%	R	%	N	%	R	%	N	%	R	%
Latex Agglutination	74	0	0%	74	100%	0	0%	74	100%	74	100%	0	0%	74	100%	0	0%	74	100%	0	0%
<i>Dade Behring</i>	18		0%	18	100%		0%	18	100%	18	100%		0%	18	100%		0%	18	100%		0%
<i>Fisher</i>	18		0%	18	100%		0%	18	100%	18	100%		0%	18	100%		0%	18	100%		0%
<i>Remel</i>	15		0%	15	100%		0%	15	100%	15	100%		0%	15	100%		0%	15	100%		0%
<i>Others</i>	23		0%	23	100%		0%	23	100%	23	100%		0%	23	100%		0%	23	100%		0%
Nephelometry	10	0	0%	10	100%	0	0%	10	100%	10	100%	0	0%	10	100%	0	0%	10	100%	0	0%
<i>Others</i>	10		0%	10	100%		0%	10	100%	10	100%		0%	10	100%		0%	10	100%		0%
Hemagglutination	11	0	0%	11	100%	0	0%	11	100%	11	100%	0	0%	11	100%	0	0%	11	100%	0	0%
<i>Wampole/Zeus</i>	11		0%	11	100%		0%	11	100%	11	100%		0%	11	100%		0%	11	100%		0%
Turbidimetry	10	0	0%	10	100%	0	0%	10	100%	10	100%	0	0%	10	100%	0	0%	10	100%	0	0%
<i>Others</i>	10		0%	10	100%		0%	10	100%	10	100%		0%	10	100%		0%	10	100%		0%
Other Methods	1		0%	1	100%		0%	1	100%	1	100%		0%	1	100%		0%	1	100%		0%
Analyte Total	106	0	0%	106	100%	0	0%	106	100%	106	100%	0	0%	106	100%	0	0%	106	100%	0	0%

Antistreptolysin O Quantitative Latex Agglutination Procedures

The number of laboratories that reported titers is listed for positive test samples 16 and 17. Only testing systems with 10 or more laboratories reporting titers are listed in this table.

Method <i>Manufacturer</i>	No. Labs	Sample 16				Sample 17			
		200	400	800	1600	200	400	800	1600
Latex Total	55	1	23	19	1	22	20		
<i>Dade Behring</i>	16		5	4		7	4		
<i>Fisher</i>	14		8	5		6	7		
<i>Remel</i>	13		6	6		5	6		

Note: The number of labs reporting specific titers may not add up to the total number of labs for that system because some labs are not reporting endpoint titers.

Antistreptolysin O Quantitative
Nephelometry & Turbidimetry Procedures

Results are summarized for positive test samples 16 and 17. The Mean values \pm S.D. are given where 10 or more laboratories reported quantitative results. Outlier values are omitted.

Method	Manufacturer	No. Labs	Unit	Sample 16	Sample 17
Nephelometry	Total	24	IU/ml	690 \pm 169	667 \pm 176
	<i>Beckman Immage</i>	10	IU/ml	525 \pm 37	506 \pm 31
	<i>Dade Behring Neph.</i>	11	IU/ml	841 \pm 104	829 \pm 122
Turbidimetry	Total	29	IU/ml	740 \pm 127	714 \pm 134
	<i>Roche Diagnostics Cobas</i>	18	IU/ml	743 \pm 50	715 \pm 55

Cytomegalovirus Antibody

Participant Results/ Sample Number																					
R = Reactive/ Positive; N = Non-Reactive/ Negative																					
Method	No. Labs	11 N				12 N				13 N				14 N				15 R			
		N	%	R	%	N	%	R	%	N	%	R	%	N	%	R	%	N	%	R	%
EIA	39	39	100%	0	0%	39	100%	0	0%	38	97%	1	3%	39	100%	0	0%	0	0%	39	100%
<i>Wampole /Zeus</i>	17	17	100%		0%	17	100%		0%	17	100%		0%	17	100%		0%		0%	17	100%
<i>Others</i>	22	22	100%		0%	22	100%		0%	21	95%	1	5%	22	100%		0%		0%	22	100%
ELFA	20	20	100%	0	0%	20	100%	0	0%	20	100%	0	0%	20	100%	0	0%	0	0%	20	100%
<i>bioMérieux Vidas</i>	20	20	100%		0%	20	100%		0%	20	100%		0%	20	100%		0%		0%	20	100%
Chemiluminescence	14	13	93%	1	7%	14	100%	0	0%	14	100%	0	0%	14	100%	0	0%	0	0%	14	100%
<i>Diagnostic Products</i>	12	11	92%	1	8%	12	100%		0%	12	100%		0%	12	100%		0%		0%	12	100%
<i>Others</i>	2	2	100%		0%	2	100%		0%	2	100%		0%	2	100%		0%		0%	2	100%
Hemagglutination	11	11	100%	0	0%	11	100%	0	0%	11	100%	0	0%	11	100%	0	0%	0	0%	11	100%
<i>Olympus</i>	11	11	100%		0%	11	100%		0%	11	100%		0%	11	100%		0%		0%	11	100%
Other Methods	8	8	100%		0%	7	88%	1	13%	7	88%	1	13%	7	88%	1	13%		0%	8	100%
Analyte Total	92	91	99%	1	1%	91	99%	1	1%	90	98%	2	2%	91	99%	1	1%	0	0%	92	100%

Hepatitis B Core Antibody

		Participant Results/ Sample Number																			
		R = Reactive/ Positive; N = Non-Reactive/ Negative																			
Method	No. Labs	6 N				7 N				8 R				9 N				10 N			
		N	%	R	%	N	%	R	%	N	%	R	%	N	%	R	%	N	%	R	%
Chemiluminescence	103	103	100%	0	0%	103	100%	0	0%	1	1%	102	99%	103	100%	0	0%	103	100%	0	0%
<i>Abbott</i>	14	14	100%		0%	14	100%		0%		0%	14	100%	14	100%		0%	14	100%		0%
<i>Bayer</i>	40	40	100%		0%	40	100%		0%		0%	40	100%	40	100%		0%	40	100%		0%
<i>Diagnostic Products</i>	19	19	100%		0%	19	100%		0%	1	5%	18	95%	19	100%		0%	19	100%		0%
<i>Ortho</i>	30	30	100%		0%	30	100%		0%		0%	30	100%	30	100%		0%	30	100%		0%
EIA	44	44	100%	0	0%	25	57%	14	32%	0	0%	44	100%	44	100%	0	0%	43	98%	1	2%
<i>Abbott AxSYM</i> ¹	22	22	100%		0%	3	14%	14	64%		0%	22	100%	22	100%		0%	22	100%		0%
<i>DiaSorin</i>	10	10	100%		0%	10	100%		0%		0%	10	100%	10	100%		0%	10	100%		0%
<i>Other</i>	12	12	100%		0%	12	100%		0%		0%	12	100%	12	100%		0%	11	92%	1	8%
Analyte Total	147	147	100%	0	0%	128	87%	14	10%	1	1%	146	99%	147	100%	0	0%	146	99%	1	1%

¹ Five laboratories reported an equivocal result on sample #7.

Hepatitis B Surface Antigen

Participant Results/ Sample Number																					
R = Reactive/ Positive; N = Non-Reactive/ Negative																					
Method	No. Labs	6 N				7 R *				8 N				9 N				10 N			
		N	%	R	%	N	%	R	%	N	%	R	%	N	%	R	%	N	%	R	%
Chemiluminescence	133	133	100%	0	0%	116	87%	17	13%	99	74%	27	20%	133	100%	0	0%	133	100%	0	0%
<i>Abbott</i>	14	14	100%		0%		0%	14	100%	14	100%		0%	14	100%		0%	14	100%		0%
<i>Bayer</i>	52	52	100%		0%	51	98%	1	2%	51	98%	1	2%	52	100%		0%	52	100%		0%
<i>Diagnostic Products</i>	18	18	100%		0%	18	100%		0%	17	94%	1	6%	18	100%		0%	18	100%		0%
<i>Ortho</i> ¹	38	38	100%		0%	36	95%	2	5%	6	16%	25	66%	38	100%		0%	38	100%		0%
<i>Roche</i>	11	11	100%		0%	11	100%		0%	11	100%		0%	11	100%		0%	11	100%		0%
EIA	55	55	100%	0	0%	20	36%	35	64%	54	98%	1	2%	55	100%	0	0%	55	100%	0	0%
<i>Abbott AxSYM</i>	26	26	100%		0%		0%	26	100%	26	100%		0%	26	100%		0%	26	100%		0%
<i>Bio-Rad</i>	16	16	100%		0%	15	94%	1	6%	16	100%		0%	16	100%		0%	16	100%		0%
<i>Other</i>	13	13	100%		0%	5	38%	8	62%	12	92%	1	8%	13	100%		0%	13	100%		0%
Confirmation	119	118	99%	1	1%	116	97%	3	3%	115	97%	4	3%	119	100%	0	0%	119	100%	0	0%
<i>Abbott AxSYM</i>	14	14	100%		0%	14	100%		0%	14	100%		0%	14	100%		0%	14	100%		0%
<i>Bayer/Siemens</i>	35	35	100%		0%	34	97%	1	3%	34	97%	1	3%	35	100%		0%	35	100%		0%
<i>Diagnostic Products</i>	10	10	100%		0%	10	100%		0%	10	100%		0%	10	100%		0%	10	100%		0%
<i>Ortho</i>	27	27	100%		0%	27	100%		0%	24	89%	3	11%	27	100%		0%	27	100%		0%
<i>Other</i>	33	32	97%	1	3%	31	94%	2	6%	33	100%		0%	33	100%		0%	33	100%		0%
Other Methods	5	5	100%		0%	1	20%	4	80%	5	100%		0%	5	100%		0%	5	100%		0%
Analyte Total	312	311	100%	1	0%	253	81%	59	19%	273	88%	32	10%	312	100%	0	0%	312	100%	0	0%

* Samples #7 is not authenticated, the expected result is reactive. When a consensus agreement cannot be reached among participants, by regulation requirements, the sample cannot be graded (scored) and all participating laboratories get credit for this sample.

¹ Seven laboratories reported a result of equivocal on sample # 8.

Hepatitis Be Antigen

Participant Results/ Sample Number																					
R = Reactive/ Positive; N = Non-Reactive/ Negative																					
Method	No. Labs	66 R				67 N				68 N				69 N				70 R			
		N	%	R	%	N	%	R	%	N	%	R	%	N	%	R	%	N	%	R	%
EIA	27	0	0%	27	100%	27	100%	0	0%	27	100%	0	0%	27	100%	0	0%	0	0%	27	100%
<i>DiaSorin</i>	26		0%	26	100%	26	100%		0%	26	100%		0%	26	100%		0%		0%	26	100%
<i>Other</i>	1		0%	1	100%	1	100%		0%	1	100%		0%	1	100%		0%		0%	1	100%
Other Methods	5		0%	5	100%	5	100%		0%	5	100%		0%	5	100%		0%		0%	5	100%
Analyte Total	32	0	0%	32	100%	32	100%	0	0%	32	100%	0	0%	32	100%	0	0%	0	0%	32	100%

Hepatitis C Antibody

Participant Results/ Sample Number																					
R = Reactive/ Positive; N = Non-Reactive/ Negative																					
Method	No. Labs	71 N				72 N				73 R				74 N				75 N			
		N	%	R	%	N	%	R	%	N	%	R	%	N	%	R	%	N	%	R	%
Chemiluminescence	96	95	99%	0	0%	95	99%	0	0%	1	1%	94	98%	95	99%	0	0%	95	99%	0	0%
<i>Bayer</i>	51	51	100%		0%	51	100%		0%		0%	51	100%	51	100%		0%	51	100%		0%
<i>Ortho</i>	38	38	100%		0%	38	100%		0%		0%	38	100%	38	100%		0%	38	100%		0%
<i>Other</i> ¹	7	6	86%		0%	6	86%		0%	1	14%	5	71%	6	86%		0%	6	86%		0%
EIA	68	68	100%	0	0%	68	100%	0	0%	0	0%	68	100%	68	100%	0	0%	68	100%	0	0%
<i>Abbott</i>	42	42	100%		0%	42	100%		0%		0%	42	100%	42	100%		0%	42	100%		0%
<i>Ortho</i>	25	25	100%		0%	25	100%		0%		0%	25	100%	25	100%		0%	25	100%		0%
<i>Other</i>	1	1	100%		0%	1	100%		0%		0%	1	100%	1	100%		0%	1	100%		0%
Confirmation	26	25	96%	0	0%	25	96%	0	0%	0	0%	25	96%	25	96%	0	0%	25	96%	0	0%
<i>Chiron</i>	20	20	100%		0%	20	100%		0%		0%	20	100%	20	100%		0%	20	100%		0%
<i>Other</i> ¹	6	5	83%		0%	5	83%		0%		0%	5	83%	5	83%		0%	5	83%		0%
Other Methods	6	6	100%		0%	6	100%		0%		0%	6	100%	6	100%		0%	6	100%		0%
Analyte Total	196	194	99%	0	0%	194	99%	0	0%	1	1%	193	98%	194	99%	0	0%	194	99%	0	0%

¹ One laboratory reported an unstable reaction on all 5 samples.

HIV Antibody

Participant Results/ Sample Number																					
R = Reactive/ Positive; N = Non-Reactive/ Negative																					
Method	No. Labs	31 N				32 R				33 N				34 R				35 N			
		N	%	R	%	N	%	R	%	N	%	R	%	N	%	R	%	N	%	R	%
Chemiluminescence	22	22	100%	0	0%	0	0%	22	100%	22	100%	0	0%	0	0%	22	100%	22	100%	0	0%
<i>Bayer</i>	22	22	100%		0%		0%	22	100%	22	100%		0%		0%	22	100%	22	100%		0%
EIA	97	97	100%	0	0%	0	0%	97	100%	97	100%	0	0%	0	0%	97	100%	97	100%	0	0%
<i>Abbott</i>	43	43	100%		0%		0%	43	100%	43	100%		0%		0%	43	100%	43	100%		0%
<i>Bio-Rad</i>	53	53	100%		0%		0%	53	100%	53	100%		0%		0%	53	100%	53	100%		0%
<i>Others</i>	1	1	100%		0%		0%	1	100%	1	100%		0%		0%	1	100%	1	100%		0%
Rapid EIA	100	100	100%	0	0%	0	0%	100	100%	100	100%	0	0%	0	0%	100	100%	100	100%	0	0%
<i>Orasure</i>	100	100	100%		0%		0%	100	100%	100	100%		0%		0%	100	100%	100	100%		0%
Rapid Immunoassay	54	54	100%	0	0%	0	0%	54	100%	54	100%	0	0%	0	0%	54	100%	54	100%	0	0%
<i>Medmira</i>	15	15	100%		0%		0%	15	100%	15	100%		0%		0%	15	100%	15	100%		0%
<i>Trinity</i>	26	26	100%		0%		0%	26	100%	26	100%		0%		0%	26	100%	26	100%		0%
<i>Other</i>	13	13	100%		0%		0%	13	100%	13	100%		0%		0%	13	100%	13	100%		0%
Western Blot	48	48	100%	0	0%	0	0%	48	100%	48	100%	0	0%	0	0%	48	100%	48	100%	0	0%
<i>Bio-Rad</i>	41	41	100%		0%		0%	41	100%	41	100%		0%		0%	41	100%	41	100%		0%
<i>Others</i>	7	7	100%		0%		0%	7	100%	7	100%		0%		0%	7	100%	7	100%		0%
Other Methods	8	8	100%		0%		0%	8	100%	8	100%		0%		0%	8	100%	8	100%		0%
Analyte Total	329	329	100%	0	0%	0	0%	329	100%	329	100%	0	0%	0	0%	329	100%	329	100%	0	0%

HTLV Antibody

Participant Results/ Sample Number																					
R = Reactive/ Positive; N = Non-Reactive/ Negative																					
Method	No. Labs	36 N				37 N				38 R				39 N				40 N			
		N	%	R	%	N	%	R	%	N	%	R	%	N	%	R	%	N	%	R	%
EIA	40	39	98%	1	3%	40	100%	0	0%	0	0%	40	100%	39	98%	1	3%	40	100%	0	0%
<i>Abbott</i>	24	24	100%		0%	24	100%		0%		0%	24	100%	24	100%		0%	24	100%		0%
Other Methods	16	15	94%	1	6%	16	100%		0%		0%	16	100%	15	94%	1	6%	16	100%		0%
Analyte Total	40	39	98%	1	3%	40	100%	0	0%	0	0%	40	100%	39	98%	1	3%	40	100%	0	0%

Infectious Mononucleosis

Participant Results/ Sample Number																					
R = Reactive/ Positive; N = Non-Reactive/ Negative																					
Method <i>Manufacturer</i>	No. Labs	26 N				27 R				28 N				29 N				30 N			
		N	%	R	%	N	%	R	%	N	%	R	%	N	%	R	%	N	%	R	%
CICA	18	18	100%	0	0%	0	0%	18	100%	18	100%	0	0%	18	100%	0	0%	18	100%	0	0%
<i>Others</i>	18	18	100%		0%		0%	18	100%	18	100%		0%	18	100%		0%	18	100%		0%
Hemagglutination	49	48	98%	1	2%	0	0%	49	100%	47	96%	2	4%	47	96%	2	4%	45	92%	4	8%
<i>Fisher</i>	20	20	100%		0%		0%	20	100%	20	100%		0%	19	95%	1	5%	19	95%	1	5%
<i>Wampole/Zeus</i>	20	20	100%		0%		0%	20	100%	19	95%	1	5%	20	100%		0%	19	95%	1	5%
<i>Others</i>	9	8	89%	1	11%		0%	9	100%	8	89%	1	11%	8	89%	1	11%	7	78%	2	22%
Latex Agglutination	138	138	100%	0	0%	0	0%	138	100%	138	100%	0	0%	138	100%	0	0%	138	100%	0	0%
<i>Fisher</i>	42	42	100%		0%		0%	42	100%	42	100%		0%	42	100%		0%	42	100%		0%
<i>Remel</i>	25	25	100%		0%		0%	25	100%	25	100%		0%	25	100%		0%	25	100%		0%
<i>Wampole/Zeus</i>	51	51	100%		0%		0%	51	100%	51	100%		0%	51	100%		0%	51	100%		0%
<i>Others</i>	20	20	100%		0%		0%	20	100%	20	100%		0%	20	100%		0%	20	100%		0%
Solid Phase IA	62	61	98%	1	2%	0	0%	62	100%	62	100%	0	0%	62	100%	0	0%	62	100%	0	0%
<i>Inverness</i>	30	30	100%		0%		0%	30	100%	30	100%		0%	30	100%		0%	30	100%		0%
<i>Seradyn</i>	26	25	96%	1	4%		0%	26	100%	26	100%		0%	26	100%		0%	26	100%		0%
<i>Others</i>	6	6	100%		0%		0%	6	100%	6	100%		0%	6	100%		0%	6	100%		0%
Other Methods	4	3	75%	1	25%		0%	4	100%	3	75%	1	25%	3	75%	1	25%	3	75%	1	25%
Analyte Total	271	268	99%	3	1%	0	0%	271	100%	268	99%	3	1%	268	99%	3	1%	266	98%	5	2%

Lyme Disease Antibody

Participant Results/ Sample Number																					
R = Reactive/ Positive; N = Non-Reactive/ Negative																					
Method	No. Labs	41 N				42 R				43 N				44 N				45 R			
		N	%	R	%	N	%	R	%	N	%	R	%	N	%	R	%	N	%	R	%
EIA	60	60	100%	0	0%	0	0%	60	100%	60	100%	0	0%	60	100%	0	0%	0	0%	60	100%
<i>Immunetics</i>	16	16	100%		0%		0%	16	100%	16	100%		0%	16	100%		0%		0%	16	100%
<i>Wampole /Zeus</i>	32	32	100%		0%		0%	32	100%	32	100%		0%	32	100%		0%		0%	32	100%
<i>Others</i>	12	12	100%		0%		0%	12	100%	12	100%		0%	12	100%		0%		0%	12	100%
ELFA	28	28	100%	0	0%	0	0%	28	100%	28	100%	0	0%	28	100%	0	0%	0	0%	28	100%
<i>bioMérieux</i>	28	28	100%		0%		0%	28	100%	28	100%		0%	28	100%		0%		0%	28	100%
Other Methods	9	9	100%		0%		0%	9	100%	9	100%		0%	9	100%		0%		0%	9	100%
Analyte Total	97	97	100%	0	0%	0	0%	97	100%	97	100%	0	0%	97	100%	0	0%	0	0%	97	100%

Lyme Western Blot IgG

		Participant Results/ Sample Number																													
		R = Reactive/ Positive; N = Non-Reactive/ Negative; E = Equivocal/ Indeterminate																													
Method	No. Labs	41 N						42 R						43 N						44 N						45 R					
		N	%	E	%	R	%	N	%	E	%	R	%	N	%	E	%	R	%	N	%	E	%	R	%	N	%	E	%	R	%
Western Blot - IgG	27	27	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	27	100%	27	100%	0	0%	0	0%	27	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	27	100%
<i>MarDx</i>	24	24	100%		0%		0%		0%		0%	24	100%	24	100%		0%		0%	24	100%		0%		0%		0%		0%	24	100%
<i>Other</i>	3	3	100%		0%		0%		0%		0%	3	100%	3	100%		0%		0%	3	100%		0%		0%		0%		0%	3	100%
Other Methods	3	3	100%		0%		0%		0%		0%	3	100%	3	100%		0%		0%	3	100%		0%		0%		0%		0%	3	100%
Analyte Total	30	30	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	30	100%	30	100%	0	0%	0	0%	30	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	30	100%

Lyme Western Blot IgM

		Participant Results/ Sample Number																													
		R = Reactive/ Positive; N = Non-Reactive/ Negative; E = Equivocal/ Indeterminate																													
Method	No. Labs	41 N						42 R *						43 N						44 N						45 R *					
		N	%	E	%	R	%	N	%	E	%	R	%	N	%	E	%	R	%	N	%	E	%	R	%	N	%	E	%	R	%
Western Blot - IgM	27	27	100%	0	0%	0	0%	21	78%	3	11%	3	11%	27	100%	0	0%	0	0%	27	100%	0	0%	0	0%	12	44%	1	4%	14	52%
<i>MarDx</i>	24	24	100%		0%		0%	20	83%	3	13%	1	4%	24	100%		0%		0%	24	100%		0%		0%	10	42%	1	4%	13	54%
<i>Other</i>	3	3	100%		0%		0%	1	33%		0%	2	67%	3	100%		0%		0%	3	100%		0%		0%	2	67%		0%	1	33%
Other Methods	2	2	100%		0%		0%		0%		0%	2	100%	2	100%		0%		0%	2	100%		0%		0%		0%		0%	2	100%
Analyte Total	29	29	100%	0	0%	0	0%	21	72%	3	10%	5	17%	29	100%	0	0%	0	0%	29	100%	0	0%	0	0%	12	41%	1	3%	16	55%

* Samples #42 and 45 are not authenticated, the expected result is positive. When a consensus agreement cannot be reached among participants, by regulation requirements, the sample cannot be graded (scored) and all participating laboratories get credit for this sample.

Rheumatoid Factor

		Participant Results/ Sample Number																			
		R = Reactive/ Positive; N = Non-Reactive/ Negative																			
Method	No. Labs	26 N				27 R				28 N				29 N				30 N			
		N	%	R	%	N	%	R	%	N	%	R	%	N	%	R	%	N	%	R	%
Latex Agglutination	106	103	97%	3	3%	9	8%	97	92%	106	100%	0	0%	104	98%	2	2%	104	98%	2	2%
<i>Becton Dickinson</i>	19	18	95%	1	5%	3	16%	16	84%	19	100%		0%	19	100%		0%	18	95%	1	5%
<i>Fisher</i>	39	38	97%	1	3%	1	3%	38	97%	39	100%		0%	39	100%		0%	39	100%		0%
<i>Wampole/Zeus</i>	12	11	92%	1	8%	4	33%	8	67%	12	100%		0%	11	92%	1	8%	11	92%	1	8%
<i>Others</i>	36	36	100%		0%	1	3%	35	97%	36	100%		0%	35	97%	1	3%	36	100%		0%
Nephelometry	20	20	100%	0	0%	1	5%	19	95%	20	100%	0	0%	20	100%	0	0%	20	100%	0	0%
<i>Beckman</i>	10	10	100%		0%		0%	10	100%	10	100%		0%	10	100%		0%	10	100%		0%
<i>Behring</i>	10	10	100%		0%	1	10%	9	90%	10	100%		0%	10	100%		0%	10	100%		0%
Turbidimetry	19	19	100%	0	0%	0	0%	19	100%	19	100%	0	0%	19	100%	0	0%	19	100%	0	0%
<i>Roche</i>	11	11	100%		0%		0%	11	100%	11	100%		0%	11	100%		0%	11	100%		0%
<i>Others</i>	8	8	100%		0%		0%	8	100%	8	100%		0%	8	100%		0%	8	100%		0%
Other Methods	7	6	86%	1	14%		0%	7	100%	7	100%		0%	7	100%		0%	7	100%		0%
Analyte Total	152	148	97%	4	3%	10	7%	142	93%	152	100%	0	0%	150	99%	2	1%	150	99%	2	1%

Rheumatoid Factor Quantitative Latex Agglutination Procedure

The number of laboratories that reported titers is listed for positive test sample 27. The dilution schemes laboratories used are represented by the letter A and B, testing systems with 10 or more laboratories reporting titers are listed in this table.

<i>Manufacturer</i>	No. Labs	A B	Sample 27 Titer						
			10 1	20 2	40 4	80 8	160 16	320 32	640 64
Total	78	A	2	8	23	8	1		
		B		8	6	6	2		
<i>Becton Dickenson</i>	15	A		7	3	2			
		B							
<i>Fisher</i>	28	A		1	13	3			
		B		1	5	4			

Note: The number of labs reporting specific titers may not add up to the total number of labs for that system because some labs are not reporting endpoint titers.

Rheumatoid Factor Quantitative

Nephelometry & Turbidimetry Procedures

Results are summarized for positive test sample 27. The Mean values \pm S.D. are given where 10 or more laboratories reported quantitative results. Outlier values are omitted.

Method <i>Manufacturer</i>	No. Labs	Unit	Sample 27
Nephelometry Total	35	IU/ml	44 \pm 5.4
<i>Beckman Coulter IMMAGE</i>	13	IU/ml	47 \pm 3.9
<i>Dade Behring Nephelometer</i>	19	IU/ml	42 \pm 4.8
Turbidimetry Total	60	IU/ml	45 \pm 8.9
<i>Roche Diag. Cobas</i>	16	IU/ml	42 \pm 0.9

Rubella Antibody

		Participant Results/ Sample Number																			
		R = Reactive/ Positive; N = Non-Reactive/ Negative																			
Method	No. Labs	11 N				12 N				13 N				14 N				15 R			
		N	%	R	%	N	%	R	%	N	%	R	%	N	%	R	%	N	%	R	%
Chemiluminescence	56	55	98%	1	2%	55	98%	1	2%	55	98%	1	2%	54	96%	2	4%	1	2%	54	96%
<i>Bayer</i>	27	27	100%		0%	27	100%		0%	27	100%		0%	26	96%	1	4%	1	4%	26	96%
<i>Beckman</i> ¹	13	12	92%	1	8%	12	92%	1	8%	12	92%	1	8%	12	92%	1	8%		0%	12	92%
<i>Diagnostic Products</i>	12	12	100%		0%	12	100%		0%	12	100%		0%	12	100%		0%		0%	12	100%
<i>Others</i>	4	4	100%		0%	4	100%		0%	4	100%		0%	4	100%		0%		0%	4	100%
EIA	55	55	100%	0	0%	55	100%	0	0%	55	100%	0	0%	55	100%	0	0%	0	0%	54	98%
<i>Abbott</i>	19	19	100%		0%	19	100%		0%	19	100%		0%	19	100%		0%		0%	19	100%
<i>Diamedix</i> ¹	10	10	100%		0%	10	100%		0%	10	100%		0%	10	100%		0%		0%	9	90%
<i>Wampole/Zeus</i>	15	15	100%		0%	15	100%		0%	15	100%		0%	15	100%		0%		0%	15	100%
<i>Others</i>	11	11	100%		0%	11	100%		0%	11	100%		0%	11	100%		0%		0%	11	100%
Latex Agglutination	37	37	100%	0	0%	37	100%	0	0%	36	97%	1	3%	36	97%	1	3%	1	3%	36	97%
<i>Fisher</i>	22	22	100%		0%	22	100%		0%	21	95%	1	5%	21	95%	1	5%	1	5%	21	95%
<i>Others</i>	15	15	100%		0%	15	100%		0%	15	100%		0%	15	100%		0%		0%	15	100%
Other Methods	11	11	100%		0%	11	100%		0%	10	91%	1	9%	11	100%		0%	1	9%	10	91%
Analyte Total	159	158	99%	1	1%	158	99%	1	1%	156	98%	3	2%	156	98%	3	2%	3	2%	154	97%

¹ One laboratory reported an equivocal result on sample #15

Rubella Antibody Quantitative

Results are summarized for positive test sample 15. The Mean values \pm S.D. are given where 10 or more laboratories reported quantitative results. Outlier values are omitted.

Method	No. Labs	Unit	Sample 15
Chemiluminescence Total	55	IU/ml	15 \pm 2.2
<i>Bayer</i>	27	IU/ml	118 \pm 12
<i>Diagnostic Products</i>	16	IU/ml	15 \pm 1.0
EIA Total	16	IU/ml	18 \pm 4.1

Rubella IgM Specific

Participant Results/ Sample Number																					
R = Reactive/ Positive; N = Non-Reactive/ Negative																					
Method	No. Labs	56 R				57 N				58 R				59 N				60 N			
		N	%	R	%	N	%	R	%	N	%	R	%	N	%	R	%	N	%	R	%
<i>Manufacturer</i>																					
EIA	8		0%	8	100%	8	100%		0%		0%	8	100%	8	100%		0%	8	100%		0%
Chemiluminescence	10		0%	10	100%	10	100%		0%		0%	10	100%	10	100%		0%	10	100%		0%
Analyte Total	18	0	0%	18	100%	18	100%	0	0%	0	0%	18	100%	18	100%	0	0%	18	100%	0	0%

Syphilis - Reagin Antibody

Participant Results/ Sample Number																					
R = Reactive/ Positive; N = Non-Reactive/ Negative																					
Method	No. Labs	1 N				2 N				3 R *				4 N				5 R *			
		<i>Manufacturer</i>	N	%	R	%	N	%	R	%	N	%	R	%	N	%	R	%	N	%	R
RPR	256	256	100%	0	0%	256	100%	0	0%	80	31%	173	68%	254	99%	2	1%	210	82%	43	17%
<i>ASI</i>	38	38	100%		0%	38	100%		0%	12	32%	26	68%	38	100%		0%	30	79%	8	21%
<i>Becton Dickenson</i> ¹	124	124	100%		0%	124	100%		0%	32	26%	90	73%	123	99%	1	1%	107	86%	16	13%
<i>Fisher</i> ²	47	47	100%		0%	47	100%		0%	22	47%	24	51%	46	98%	1	2%	42	89%	5	11%
<i>True Medix</i> ³	17	17	100%		0%	17	100%		0%	5	29%	12	71%	17	100%		0%	10	59%	5	29%
<i>Wampole/Zeus</i>	21	21	100%		0%	21	100%		0%	6	29%	15	71%	21	100%		0%	15	71%	6	29%
<i>Others</i>	9	9	100%		0%	9	100%		0%	3	33%	6	67%	9	100%		0%	6	67%	3	33%
Analyte Total	256	256	100%	0	0%	256	100%	0	0%	80	31%	173	68%	254	99%	2	1%	210	82%	43	17%

* Samples #3 and #5 are not authenticated, the expected result is reactive. When a consensus agreement cannot be reached among participants, by regulation requirements, the sample cannot be graded (scored) and all participating laboratories get credit for this sample.

¹ Two laboratories reported equivocal on #3 and one laboratory reported equivocal on #5.

² One laboratory reported an equivocal on #3.

³ Two laboratories reported an equivocal on #5.

Syphilis - Reagin Antibody

RPR Procedures

The number of laboratories that reported titers is listed for positive test samples 3 and 5 for the RPR procedure. Only testing systems with 10 or more laboratories reporting titers are listed in this table.

Method <i>Manufacturer</i>	No. Labs	Sample 3 Titer					Sample 5 Titer						
		1	2	4	8	16	32	1	2	4	8	16	32
<i>Total</i>	156	117	29	5	1			36	6				
<i>ASI</i>	16	13	2					7	1				
<i>Becton Dickenson</i>	83	67	13		1			15					
<i>Fisher</i>	25	18	5	1				3	2				
<i>True Medix</i>	12	7	4	1				5					
<i>Wampole/ Zeus</i>	15	10	3	2				4	2				

Note: The number of labs reporting specific titers may not add up to the total number of labs for that system because some labs are not reporting endpoint titers, or they reported the sample as nonreactive.

Syphilis - Treponemal Antibody

Method <i>Manufacturer</i>		Participant Results/ Sample Number																			
		R = Reactive/ Positive; N = Non-Reactive/ Negative																			
		1 N				2 N				3 R				4 N				5 R			
No. Labs	N	%	R	%	N	%	R	%	N	%	R	%	N	%	R	%	N	%	R	%	
EIA	20	20	100%	0	0%	20	100%	0	0%	0	0%	20	100%	20	100%	0	0%	1	5%	19	95%
<i>Trinity Biotech</i>	10	10	100%		0%	10	100%		0%		0%	10	100%	10	100%		0%	1	10%	9	90%
<i>Others</i>	10	10	100%		0%	10	100%		0%		0%	10	100%	10	100%		0%		0%	10	100%
Gel. Part. Agglut.	32	32	100%	0	0%	32	100%	0	0%	0	0%	32	100%	32	100%	0	0%	0	0%	32	100%
<i>Fujirebio</i>	32	32	100%		0%	32	100%		0%		0%	32	100%	32	100%		0%		0%	32	100%
IFA	21	21	100%	0	0%	21	100%	0	0%	0	0%	21	100%	21	100%	0	0%	0	0%	19	90%
<i>Wampole/Zeus</i> ¹	21	21	100%		0%	21	100%		0%		0%	21	100%	21	100%		0%		0%	19	90%
Other Methods	13	4	31%	9	69%	4	31%	9	69%	4	31%	9	69%	4	31%	9	69%	1	8%	12	92%
Analyte Total	86	77	90%	9	10%	77	90%	9	10%	4	5%	82	95%	77	90%	9	10%	2	2%	82	95%

¹ Two laboratories reported an equivocal response on sample #5.

AAT, C'3, and C'4

The Mean mg/dl \pm S.D. is given where 10 or more laboratories reported values. Outlier values are omitted.

Analytes	No.	Sample NO.					
		Labs	76	77	78	79	80
Alpha-1-Antitrypsin							
Nephelometry/ <i>Behring Nephelometer</i>	19		24 \pm 1.4	140 \pm 7.7	17 \pm 1.0	74 \pm 4.2	98 \pm 5.1
Nephelometry/ <i>Total</i>	27		25 \pm 2.5	141 \pm 8.0	17 \pm 2.1	74 \pm 7.0	93 \pm 12
All Method/ <i>Total</i>	39		25 \pm 2.7	145 \pm 14	17 \pm 2.2	78 \pm 10	93 \pm 12
Complement C'3							
Nephelometry/ <i>Beckman Coulter IMMAGE</i>	16		40 \pm 1.8	173 \pm 8.1	23 \pm 1.8	127 \pm 4.9	75 \pm 2.5
Nephelometry/ <i>Behring Nephelometer</i>	13		42 \pm 2.2	194 \pm 9.8	24 \pm 1.4	132 \pm 6.0	85 \pm 3.3
Turbidimetry/ <i>Roche Cobas Integra</i>	14		40 \pm 1.8	164 \pm 4.6	23 \pm 0.9	125 \pm 3.5	73 \pm 2.2
Turbidimetry/ <i>Roche/Hitachi Modular</i>	10		41 \pm 1.6	161 \pm 3.5	25 \pm 1.5	120 \pm 2.7	71 \pm 2.3
Nephelometry/ <i>Total</i>	40		41 \pm 2.2	183 \pm 13	24 \pm 1.8	130 \pm 6.2	81 \pm 5.6
Turbidimetry/ <i>Total</i>	60		40 \pm 3.2	163 \pm 9.2	24 \pm 1.9	121 \pm 6.1	72 \pm 3.5
All Method/ <i>Total</i>	105		41 \pm 2.9	171 \pm 15	24 \pm 2.0	125 \pm 7.9	75 \pm 6.6
Complement C'4							
Nephelometry/ <i>Beckman Coulter IMMAGE</i>	16		6.1 \pm 0.4	31 \pm 1.5	4.5 \pm 0.3	32 \pm 1.5	15 \pm 0.7
Nephelometry/ <i>Behring Nephelometer</i>	13		5.9 \pm 0.2	30 \pm 2.1	4.0 \pm 0.1	30 \pm 1.9	14 \pm 0.6
Turbidimetry/ <i>Roche Cobas Integra</i>	15		5.0 \pm 0.0	23 \pm 1.1	3.6 \pm 0.5	26 \pm 0.8	12 \pm 0.7
Nephelometry/ <i>Total</i>	40		6.0 \pm 0.0	31 \pm 2.1	4.3 \pm 0.4	31 \pm 1.9	14 \pm 0.9
Turbidimetry/ <i>Total</i>	50		5.3 \pm 0.7	24 \pm 1.9	3.6 \pm 0.8	26 \pm 2.7	12 \pm 1.2
All Method/ <i>Total</i>	102		5.6 \pm 0.7	27 \pm 4.0	3.9 \pm 0.6	28 \pm 3.1	12.9 \pm 1.6

IgA, IgE, IgG, and IgM

The Mean mg/dl (IU/ml for IgE) \pm S.D. is given for IgA, IgE, and IgM and Mean mg/dl \pm 25% is given for IgG where 10 or more laboratories reported values. Outlier values are omitted.

Analytes (Unit)	No. Labs	Sample NO.				
		81	82	83	84	85
Immunoglobulin A (mg/dl)						
Nephelometry/Beckman Coulter IMMAGE	18	47 \pm 2.6	64 \pm 2.5	52 \pm 2.2	190 \pm 11	218 \pm 13
Nephelometry/Behring Nephelometer	16	48 \pm 2.7	68 \pm 3.7	61 \pm 1.7	209 \pm 4.3	236 \pm 9.9
Turbidimetry/ Beckman Coulter Synchron	10	50 \pm 3.9	67 \pm 6.9	57 \pm 2.3	197 \pm 5.5	217 \pm 10.8
Turbidimetry/ Roche Cobas Integra	14	46 \pm 3.0	61 \pm 4.3	48 \pm 4.0	186 \pm 7.2	214 \pm 2.7
Turbidimetry/ Roche/Hitachi Modular	10	51 \pm 0.9	64 \pm 4.3	54 \pm 4.1	185 \pm 4.3	205 \pm 4.3
Nephelometry/ Total	50	48 \pm 2.9	67 \pm 4.4	56 \pm 5.2	201 \pm 11	228 \pm 15
Turbidimetry/ Total	59	49 \pm 4.0	65 \pm 5.1	55 \pm 6.0	188 \pm 8.9	213 \pm 12
All Method/ Total	113	48 \pm 3.5	66 \pm 4.9	56 \pm 6.0	194 \pm 12	220 \pm 16
Immunoglobulin E (IU/ml)						
Chemiluminescence/Bayer Advia	10	28 \pm 1.4	426 \pm 31	4.8 \pm 1.6	172 \pm 12	194 \pm 12
Chemiluminescence/Diag. Prod. Co.	29	30 \pm 1.7	396 \pm 29	3.2 \pm 0.4	175 \pm 10	193 \pm 17
FEIA/ Pharmacia Immucap	12	28 \pm 2.2	412 \pm 21	4.4 \pm 0.6	162 \pm 7.3	194 \pm 4.9
Chemiluminescence/ Total	48	29 \pm 1.9	406 \pm 30	3.2 \pm 0.4	174 \pm 10	192 \pm 14
FEIA/ Total	18	28 \pm 2.0	415 \pm 19	4.7 \pm 0.7	163 \pm 12	195 \pm 11
All Method/ Total	80	29 \pm 2.2	409 \pm 40	3.7 \pm 0.8	169 \pm 13	192 \pm 13
Immunoglobulin G (mg/dl)						
Nephelometry/Beckman Coulter IMMAGE	17	257 \pm 9.2	480 \pm 21	289 \pm 8.8	1058 \pm 69	929 \pm 65
Nephelometry/Behring Nephelometer	16	258 \pm 17	510 \pm 13	305 \pm 15	1075 \pm 52	1030 \pm 58
Turbidimetry/Roche Cobas Integra	14	242 \pm 18	472 \pm 27	264 \pm 21	1020 \pm 32	931 \pm 17
Turbidimetry/Roche/Hitachi Modular	10	238 \pm 8.2	441 \pm 15	279 \pm 12	972 \pm 15	877 \pm 13
Nephelometry/ Total	49	255 \pm 14	491 \pm 31	293 \pm 17	1062 \pm 59	973 \pm 75
Turbidimetry/ Total	55	236 \pm 18	460 \pm 28	274 \pm 20	999 \pm 39	906 \pm 49
All Method/ Total	107	247 \pm 21	476 \pm 34	287 \pm 24	1028 \pm 66	939 \pm 70
Immunoglobulin M (mg/dl)						
Nephelometry/Beckman Coulter IMMAGE	17	25 \pm 2.0	23 \pm 1.7	21 \pm 1.5	100 \pm 5.1	90 \pm 5.5
Nephelometry/Behring Nephelometer	17	25 \pm 1.1	22 \pm 1.0	22 \pm 1.2	112 \pm 4.8	107 \pm 4.6
Turbidimetry/Roche Cobas Integra	14	22 \pm 2.7	20 \pm 1.1	19 \pm 1.7	91 \pm 2.9	79 \pm 2.7
Nephelometry/ Total	48	25 \pm 1.7	23 \pm 1.7	22 \pm 1.6	106 \pm 7.0	99 \pm 9.6
Turbidimetry/ Total	55	26 \pm 3.0	23 \pm 3.2	23 \pm 4.1	97 \pm 8.0	88 \pm 9.3
All Method/ Total	107	25 \pm 2.3	23 \pm 2.7	22 \pm 2.6	101 \pm 8.9	93 \pm 11

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Quantitative Tests Results (Acceptable Range)

Analytes	Sample NO.				
Method/ Manufacture					
Alpha-1-Antitrypsin	76	77	78	79	80
Nephelometry/Dade Behring Neph.	19 - 28	116 - 163	13 - 20	61 - 87	82 - 114
Nephelometry/ Total	17 - 33	116 - 165	10 - 24	52 - 95	56 - 129
All Method/ Total	16 - 33	101 - 189	10 - 24	47 - 109	57 - 129
Complement C'3	76	77	78	79	80
Nephelometry/Beckman Coulter Immage	34 - 46	148 - 197	17 - 29	112 - 142	67 - 83
Nephelometry/Dade Behring Neph.	35 - 49	164 - 224	19 - 28	114 - 150	74 - 95
Turbidimetry/Roche Cobas Integra	34 - 45	149 - 178	20 - 26	114 - 136	66 - 80
Turbidimetry/Roche/Hitachi Modular	35 - 46	151 - 172	19 - 30	112 - 128	63 - 78
Nephelometry/ Total	34 - 48	143 - 223	18 - 29	111 - 148	63 - 98
Turbidimetry/ Total	30 - 50	135 - 191	18 - 30	102 - 139	61 - 82
All Method/ Total	32 - 50	125 - 218	18 - 30	100 - 149	55 - 95
Complement C'4	76	77	78	79	80
Nephelometry/Beckman Coulter Immage	4 - 8	26 - 36	3 - 6	27 - 37	12 - 17
Nephelometry/Dade Behring Neph.	5 - 7	23 - 37	3 - 5	24 - 36	11 - 16
Turbidimetry/Roche Cobas Integra	4 - 6	20 - 27	2 - 6	23 - 29	9 - 14
Nephelometry/ Total	5 - 7	24 - 38	3 - 6	25 - 37	11 - 17
Turbidimetry/ Total	3 - 8	18 - 31	1 - 6	18 - 35	8 - 16
All Method/ Total	3 - 8	14 - 39	2 - 6	18 - 38	8 - 18
Immunoglobulin A	81	82	83	84	85
Nephelometry/Beckman Coulter Immage	39 - 55	56 - 72	45 - 59	156 - 224	178 - 259
Nephelometry/Dade Behring Neph.	40 - 57	56 - 80	55 - 66	195 - 222	206 - 266
Turbidimetry/ Beckman Coulter Synch.	38 - 62	46 - 88	50 - 65	180 - 214	184 - 250
Turbidimetry/ Roche Cobas Integra	37 - 56	48 - 75	36 - 61	165 - 209	205 - 222
Turbidimetry/ Roche/Hitachi Modular	48 - 54	50 - 77	42 - 67	172 - 198	192 - 218
Nephelometry/ Total	39 - 57	53 - 80	40 - 72	169 - 233	183 - 274
Turbidimetry/ Total	37 - 62	50 - 81	37 - 74	161 - 216	174 - 252
All Method/ Total	37 - 59	51 - 81	38 - 75	157 - 231	172 - 269
Immunoglobulin E	81	82	83	84	85
Chemiluminescence/Bayer Advia	24 - 33	333 - 522	1 - 10	135 - 209	158 - 229
Chemiluminescence/Diag.Prod. Immulite	24 - 35	310 - 482	2 - 5	144 - 206	140 - 246
FEIA/Pharmacia Immunocap	20 - 35	347 - 476	2 - 7	139 - 184	179 - 209
Chemiluminescence/ Total	23 - 35	315 - 497	2 - 5	143 - 206	150 - 233
FEIA/ Total	22 - 34	357 - 473	2 - 7	128 - 200	162 - 228
All Method/ Total	22 - 36	290 - 529	1 - 7	129 - 209	152 - 232
Immunoglobulin G	81	82	83	84	85
Nephelometry/Beckman Coulter Immage	193 - 322	360 - 601	217 - 362	793 - 1323	696 - 1161
Nephelometry/Dade Behring Neph.	193 - 322	382 - 638	228 - 382	806 - 1344	772 - 1288
Turbidimetry/Roche Cobas Integra	181 - 303	354 - 591	198 - 331	764 - 1275	698 - 1164
Turbidimetry/ Roche/Hitachi Modular	178 - 298	331 - 552	208 - 349	729 - 1216	657 - 1097
Nephelometry/ Total	191 - 319	368 - 614	220 - 367	796 - 1328	729 - 1216
Turbidimetry/ Total	176 - 295	354 - 576	205 - 343	749 - 1249	679 - 1133
All Method/ Total	185 - 309	356 - 595	215 - 359	772 - 1287	704 - 1175
Immunoglobulin M	81	82	83	84	85
Nephelometry/Beckman Coulter Immage	18 - 31	18 - 29	16 - 26	84 - 116	73 - 107
Nephelometry/Dade Behring Neph.	21 - 29	19 - 26	18 - 26	97 - 127	93 - 121
Turbidimetry/Roche Cobas Integra	14 - 31	17 - 24	13 - 24	83 - 100	71 - 87
Nephelometry/ Total	20 - 31	18 - 29	16 - 27	85 - 127	69 - 128
Turbidimetry/ Total	16 - 35	13 - 33	10 - 36	72 - 121	59 - 116
All Method/ Total	18 - 33	15 - 31	14 - 30	74 - 129	60 - 127

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Qualitative / Quantitative Tests Results

Analytes	Sample NO.				
	1	2	3	4	5
Syphilis - Reagin	N	N	R*	N	R*
<i>RPR Titer</i>	< 1:1	< 1:1	1:1 - 1:4	< 1:1	1:1 - 1:2
Syphilis - Treponemal	N	N	R	N	R
	6	7	8	9	10
HBcAb	N	N	R	N	N
HBsAg	N	R*	N	N	N
HBsAg Confirmation	N	R	N	N	N
	11	12	13	14	15
CMV	N	N	N	N	R
Rubella Ab	N	N	N	N	R
Rubella Ab Quantitative <i>EIA IU/ml</i>	< 5	< 5	< 5	< 5	5 - 31
<i>Chemiluminescent IU/ml</i>	< 10	< 10	< 10	< 10	9 - 23
<i>Advia Centaur IU/ml</i>	< 10	< 10	< 10	< 10	81 - 155
	16	17	18	19	20
ASO	R	R	N	N	N
ASO Quantitative <i>Latex IU/ml</i>	100 - 1600	100 - 1600	< 200	< 200	< 200
<i>Nephelometry IU/ml</i>	357 - 1123	313 - 1115	< 60	< 60	< 60
<i>Turbidimetry IU/ml</i>	182 - 1199	137 - 1198	< 65	< 65	< 65
	26	27	28	29	30
Infectious Mono.	N	R	N	N	N
Rheumatoid Factor	N	R	N	N	N
RF Quantitative					
<i>Latex (Dilution Scheme A)</i>	< 10	10 - 160	< 10	< 10	< 10
<i>Latex (Dilution Scheme B)</i>	< 1:2	1:2 - 1:16	< 1:2	< 1:2	< 1:2
<i>Nephelometry IU/ml</i>	< 20	27 - 60	< 20	< 20	< 20
<i>Turbidimetry IU/ml</i>	< 20	18 - 73	< 20	< 20	< 20
	31	32	33	34	35
HIV Ab Screening/Confirmation	N	R	N	R	N
	36	37	38	39	40
HTLV 1 Ab	N	N	R	N	N
	41	42	43	44	45
LYME Disease Ab	N	R	N	N	R
LYME Disease Ab WB IgG	N	R	N	N	R
LYME Disease Ab WB IgM	N	R*	N	N	R*
	46	47	48	49	50
ANA	N	N	N	R	N
<i>IFA Titer</i>	< 80	< 80	< 80	40 - 640	< 80
	56	57	58	59	60
Rubella IgM	R	N	R	N	N
	66	67	68	69	70
Hepatitis Be Ag	R	N	N	N	R
	71	72	73	74	75
Hepatitis C Ab	N	N	R	N	N
Hepatitis C Ab Confirmation	N	N	R	N	N

Note: R = Reactive/ Positive; I = Indeterminate; N = Non-Reactive/ Negative

* This test sample was not authenticated, because a consensus of 80% agreement was not reached. All participating laboratories received credit for this sample.