UK NEQAS
Immunology, Immunochemistry & Allergy

Bullous Dermatosis Antibodies

Accreditation Status:	**UKAS Schedule of Accreditation**
Date Scheme started:	1995
Clinical Applicability:	Diagnosis of Bullous Dermatosis
Analytes:	Dermatosis Basement Membrane and Desmosome Antibodies
Units for Reporting:	Positive or Negative, U/mL, or titre as appropriate
Samples Distributed:	Liquid format. Normal and pathological human serum
Number of Distributions per year:	6
Number of Samples per Distribution:	1
Frequency of Distributions:	Every two months as outlined in the **Distribution Schedule**
Schedule of Analysis:	**Data entry** is via the web for the submission of results. Data analysis is commenced 21 days after sample dispatch. Late returns are accepted and will contribute to the laboratory's cumulative performance statistics
Data Analysis:	Qualitative responses are assessed by MI scoring in relation to the designated response
Performance Scoring:	MI scoring and OMIS for all analytes for which the laboratory is registered
Criteria of Performance:	Laboratory performance is assessed over a running analytical window of 6 Distributions (12 months)

The categories of performance are:

	Total MIS
Good	Zero
Adequate	1
Poor	>1

Persistent Poor Performance:	Defined as being in the Poor Performance category for two or more successive Distributions