UK NEQAS

Immunology, Immunochemistry & Allergy

Myelin Associated Glycoprotein IgM Antibodies (MAG)

Accreditation Status: UKAS Schedule of Accreditation

Date Scheme started: 2019

Clinical Applicability: IgM anti – MAG found in sensory motor neuropathies and IgM paraprotein

associated neuropathies

Analytes: MAG

Units for Reporting: Qualitative and quantitative responses for MAG

Samples Distributed: Liquid format. Normal and pathological human serum

Number of Distributions per year: 6

Number of Samples per Distribution: 2

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 in relation to the designated

response

Performance Scoring: MI scoring

Criteria of Performance: Laboratory performance is classified in terms of OMIS over a running

analytical window of 6 distributions (12 months)

Categories of performance are:

Good zero
Adequate 1 - 2
Poor >2

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

successive Distributions.