

# Birmingham Quality News



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What have we been up to?

Birmingham Quality (UK NEQAS)

The RASH Project is well underway. Big thank you to Sarah Davies from Liverpool for getting it going! We are involved with Workstream 1 which is looking at the harmonisation of assays. We plan to send genuine clinical material of different Renin and Aldosterone concentrations to laboratories. If you are able to donate any clinical material then please contact BQ at <a href="mailto:birminghamquality@uhb.nhs.uk">birminghamquality@uhb.nhs.uk</a>



Our pan-Chemistry user survey is now open, please take a minute to complete. Thank you to
everyone who has already completed the survey.

https://forms.office.com/e/yD9aAs7X0H

• The Measurement Uncertainty Report has been sent to everyone who contributed — thank you!

## Scheme Updates:

- UK NEQAS for Serum Indices Distribution 185, we asked about sample pre-treatment in cases of haemolysis, icterus and lipaemia. The majority of laboratories don't, see the report for more details.
- In our UK NEQAS for Steroid Hormones Scheme, Distribution 521, we will be looking in more detail at mass spectrometry assays for Testosterone.
- A reminder: Change in Target Value for Osmolal Gap in UK NEQAS for Clinical Chemistry from Distribution 1173

### EQA Nuggets:



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#### You may have missed:

Holotranscobalamin: a word of caution

Our poster at UKMedLab24

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Don't forget to book onto our next webinar

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> July 2024 at 10 am

