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FVIII Inhibitor survey: Supplementary exercise

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Closing date: **Friday 8th September 2023**

Instructions

Please read all the instructions and method details very carefully. Enclosed in this pack are 2 x 0.5ml Lyophilised plasma samples labelled FVIII IN 23:03 and FVIII IN 23:04. These samples should be refrigerated upon arrival. The samples are for quantitation of **Human FVIII inhibitor titre**

The following clinical scenarios are given. **Please carry out your investigation based on the information provided – stocks of samples in this exercise are limited, and repeat samples are not likely to be available.**

Sample **FVIII IN 23:03** is from a patient with severe haemophilia A, who has an inhibitor and is having a routine clinic check up. Sample **FVIII IN 23:04** is from an unknown emergency admission patient, with a large haematoma at the hip. The patient was found to be carrying a medical card with details of being a patient with severe haemophilia A, further laboratory monitoring is required to check for FVIII inhibitors.

- For sample **FVIII IN 23:03 & FVIII IN 23:04**, please perform a **FVIII inhibitor assay** on this sample, using your routine method for this investigation, (for both samples the FVIII level <0.05IU/ml).

Sample **FVIII IN 23:03 & FVIII IN 23:04** should be stored refrigerated. Reconstitute by carefully adding **0.5 ml** of distilled water to each vial, mix gently and leave standing at room temperature for 10 minutes before testing.

Please return your results by email attachment to neqas@coageqa.org.uk, closing date **Friday 8th September 2023**

Important note. *Samples have been screened for virology : hepatitis B surface antigen (HBsAg) and antibodies to human immunodeficiency virus types 1 & 2 (anti-HIV-1+2), were not detected. Hepatitis C RNA was also not detected. Samples have either been collected before the covid-19 pandemic or have been screened for covid-19. Nevertheless, appropriate precautions should be taken in the handling and disposal of these samples.*

Results table for sample FVIII IN 23:03

	Human FVIII inhibitor assay FVIII IN 23:03				
Bethesda Result (B.U.)B.U/mL				
Interpretation of result					
Did you heat-treat this Neqas sample prior to performing the Bethesda assay? If yes, please state time period and temperature	Yes/No (please circle) Time.....Temperature.....				
Sample + normal control plasma incubation – please state time and temperature	Time.....Temperature.....				
Is the normal control material incubated with buffer or FVIII deficient plasma	Buffer / FVIII deficient plasma (please circle)				
What is the source of buffer (if used)					
What is the source of normal control plasma					
What is the source of FVIII deficient plasma (if used)					
What method did you use to measure the residual FVIII level (one stage/chromogenic)	one stage / chromogenic (please circle)				
What analyser did you use for this assay?					
What reagent was used to measure the residual FVIII on the analyser (if applicable)					
Please circle the dilutions & write the associated residual FVIII:C result in the table that were used for the Bethesda assay. If dilutions were used that are not present, please state in the blank boxes.	1:1=	1:2=	1:3 =	1:4 =	1:5 =
	1:6 =	1:8 =	1:9 =	1:10 =	1:15 =
	1:20 =	1:32 =	1:40 =	1:64 =	1:80 =
	1:120 =	1:164 =			

Result table for sample FVIII IN 23:04

	Human FVIII inhibitor assay FVIII IN 23:04				
Bethesda Result (B.U.)B.U/mL				
Interpretation of result					
Did you heat-treat this Neqas sample prior to performing the Bethesda assay? If yes, please state time period and temperature	Yes/No (please circle) Time.....Temperature.....				
Sample + normal control plasma incubation – please state time and temperature	Time.....Temperature.....				
Is the normal control material incubated with buffer or FVIII deficient plasma	Buffer / FVIII deficient plasma (please circle)				
What is the source of buffer (if used)					
What is the source of normal control plasma					
What is the source of FVIII deficient plasma (if used)					
What method did you use to measure the residual FVIII level (one stage/chromogenic)	one stage / chromogenic (please circle)				
What analyser did you use for this assay?					
What reagent was used to measure the residual FVIII on the analyser (if applicable)					
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