

Quality Control and Proficiency Testing

The laboratories run control materials with known acceptability of control results is a prerequisite to subsequent patient sample testing and the validity of the results. Performance is carefully monitored and unacceptable trends are quickly identified and corrective actions implemented prior to patient testing.

The laboratories are registered with external proficiency testing schemes (External Quality Assurance schemes) or utilise confidential exchange processes with other institutions for all tests performed. This independent assessment of quality provides peer assurances of ongoing accuracy and precision in the testing process.