



QUALITY ASSURANCE IN LABORATORY TESTING FOR IEM

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**Critical Errors in the 2019 Qualitative EQA schemes**

All critical errors for the 2019 schemes were agreed at the SAB meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2019 in Manchester, UK.

EQA scheme							
Scheme Name <sup>1</sup>	Sample Number	Scheme Year	Diagnosis	Critical Error	Number of Labs	No of participants <sup>2</sup>	% CE
ACDB Heidelberg	2019-F	2019	Long chain 3-hydroxyacyl-CoA dehydrogenase (LCHAD) deficiency	Failing to detect elevated concentrations of hydroxylated long-chain acylcarnitines	3	40	7.5%
ACDB London	2019-D	2019	Propionic acidaemia (OMIM 6060540)	Failing to recognise the abnormality	1	39	2.6%
ACDB Rome	-	2019	-	-	0	41	0.0%
CDG	-	2019	-	-	0	64	0.0%
DPT CH	-	2019	-	-	0	20	0.0%
DPT CZ	2019-F	2019	Hyperornithinemia-hyperammonemia-homocitrullinuria syndrome	Failing to recognize abnormal excretion of orotate and homocitrulline	1	20	5.0%
DPT FR	2019-C	2019	Hyperprolinaemia type II due to delta 1-pyrroline-5-carboxylate (PSC) dehydrogenase deficiency (ALDH4A1 gene).	Failing to perform amino acid analysis and failing to identify N-(pyrrole-2-carboxyl) glycine in the organic acid profile	2	24	8.3%
	2019-F	2019	Argininemia	non-identification of an increase of orotic acid without recommendation to perform plasma amino acid analysis	1		4.2%
DPT NL	2019-C	2019	MSUD (OMIM 248600)	Failing to conclude MSUD/DLD	1	21	4.8%
DPT UK	2019-C	2019	Lysinuric protein intolerance	Failing to detect the increased orotic acid	1	22	4.5%
QLOU Barcelona	2019-E	2019	Maple Syrup Urine Disease (MSUD).	Failing to identify MSUD and report the alterations secondary to hepatic failure or Tyrosinemia	3	69	4.3%
QLOU Heidelberg	-	2019	-	-	0	70	0.0%
QLOU Sheffield	2019-A	2019	Citrullinaemia	Failing to identify increased orotic acid excretion	10	71	14.1%
	2019-F	2019	Isovaleric Acidaemia	Failing to identify IVA	2		2.8%
UMPS	2019.02	2019	MPS II	Giving a diagnosis of normal	1	88	1.1%
	2019.06	2019	Normal	Diagnosing an MPS disorder	1		1.1%
<b>Totals</b>					<b>27</b>	<b>589</b>	<b>4.6%</b>

**Notes**

1. ACDB = Acylcarnitines in DBS; CDG = Congenital Disorders of Glycosylation; DPT = Diagnostic Proficiency Testing; CH = Switzerland; CZ = Czech Republic; FR = France; NL = Netherlands; UK = United Kingdom;

QLOU = Qualitative Organic Acid; UMPS = Urine Mucopolysaccharides

2. Number of participants = number of registered labs minus any Educational participants, non- or partial submitters and any labs that withdrew from the scheme