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Dated: 05.11.2020

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To,

Prof. Shampa Anupurba,  
HOD (Department of Microbiology),  
In-charge State Reference Laboratory,  
Banaras Hindu University,  
VARANASI - 221005 (Uttar Pradesh)

Sub: HIV EQAS proficiency panel (Round 1, 2020-2021) – Reg.

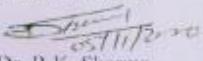
Dear Sir,

In reference to NACO EQAS calendar 2020-21, please find enclosed herewith two sets of HIV EQAS proficiency testing panels. Panel 'F' code (F 07) consisting of 8 members (1ml each) is to be tested at SRL and panel G [G675-G678] comprising of 4 members (~26 ml each) is to be tested by peripheral centres (ICTC/PPTCT). The SRL is further requested to aliquot the panel G in small volume (500 µl per member) and then distribute to its 52 test centres.

Please send the results of EQAS panel 'F' in the enclosed format by email within 8 working days. The compiled results of panel G should be sent within a month from the date of receipt of the sample by NIB.

With Regards,

Yours sincerely

  
Dr. R.K. Sharma  
NRL In-charge

Encl. As stated above

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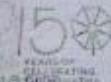
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Dr. R. K. Sharma,  
NRL Incharge  
National Institute of Biologicals.  
A-32, Sector-62 (Institutional Area),  
Noida-201309 (U.P.) - India

Subject: - Results of samples for panel validation  
Ref: Your letter No. 1-15/Workshop/NRL/1270, dated 29.10.2020

Dear Dr. Sharma

We had received 06 panel samples for validation on 02.11.2020. The samples have been tested for antibodies to HIV-1 & HIV-2. I am enclosing the results herewith.

Sr. No	NARI No.	NRL ID No.	NRL Result	NARI Results			
				Microsia HIV	Meriscreen HIV 1-2	Tredro HIV 1-2 Ab	Final Interpretation
1	20-6704	F1/R-1/2020-21	HIV-1 POS	Reactive	HIV-1 Reactive	HIV-1 Reactive	HIV-1 POS
2	20-6703	F2/R-1/2020-21	NEG	Non-Reactive	ND	ND	NEG
3	20-6706	F3/R-1/2020-21	NEG	Non-Reactive	ND	ND	NEG
4	20-6707	F4/R-1/2020-21	NEG	Non-Reactive	ND	ND	NEG
5	20-6708	F5/R-1/2020-21	HIV-1 POS	Reactive	HIV-1 Reactive	HIV-1 Reactive	HIV-1 POS
6	20-6709	F6/R-1/2020-21	HIV-1 POS	Reactive	HIV-1 Reactive	HIV-1 Reactive	HIV-1 POS

Keywords: POS- Positive, NEG-Negative

Thanking You,

Yours Sincerely,

Dr. Mudheri Thakar  
Scientist F & Apex Lab Incharge  
NARI, Pune



51	IMS BHU Varanasi	Q1	Q4	Q2	Q3	100 %	NIL	COMB AIDS 4000023360.05/2022	MERISCREEN HIV MH121917.05/21	Tredro MI91920,08/21
52	PPTCT SS Hospital BHU	Q4	Q2	Q3	Q1	100 %	NIL	COMB AIDS 4000023360.05/2022	MERISCREEN HIV MH121917.05/21	Tredro MI91920,08/21
53	AB RTP Hidalco Sonebhadra (PPP ITC)	Q2	Q3	Q1	Q4	100%	NIL	MERISCREEN HIV MH121942.05/21	NA	NA
54	ICTC Appollo Tyre Heath center QVaranasi (PPP ITC)	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	100%	NIL	MERISCREEN HIV MH121942.05/21	NA	NA
Standard Result		Pos	Neg	Pos	Neg					

Name of Laboratory In-charge:

Date

SVA  
 Prof. S. Anupurba  
 Head & Incharge ITC/S.R.I  
 Department of Microbiology  
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Signature of Laboratory In- charge

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Proficiency Testing (PT)

To be completed by SRL

1	Name of the State: <b>Uttar Pradesh</b>	* All the fields are mandatory
2	Name of District: <b>VARANASI</b>	
3	Name of linked SRL: <b>IMS, BHU, Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh</b>	*
4	Email Address: <b>ranjitsinghvaranasi@gmail.com</b>	*
5	Name of the ICTC: <b>SSPG DIVISIONAL DISTRICT HO</b>	*
6	SIMS Code / ID: <b>0900436</b>	*
7	Round: <b>First</b>	Year: <b>2020-21</b>
<b>Proficiency Testing Samples</b>		
1	RCA/CA done for discordant samples for last round: <b>No</b>	Root Cause Analysis (RCA); Corrective Action (CA)
2	Sample received Date: <b>2020/11/24</b>	Sample tested Date: <b>2020/11/26</b>
3	Member-A, result: <b>Positive</b>	Filled by SRL
4	Member-B, result: <b>Positive</b>	Concordant/Discordant Concordant
5	Member-C, result: <b>Negative</b>	Concordant/Discordant Concordant
6	Member-D, result: <b>Negative</b>	Concordant/Discordant Concordant
7	Remarks by ICTC: <b>None</b>	PT Final Result: <b>Satisfactory</b>
8	Date & time of data submitted by ICTC: <b>27-11-2020 11:51:49 AM</b>	
9	Remarks by SRL: <b>100 % CONCORDANCE</b>	
10	Date & time of data submitted by SRL: <b>15-12-2020 01:31:57 PM</b>	

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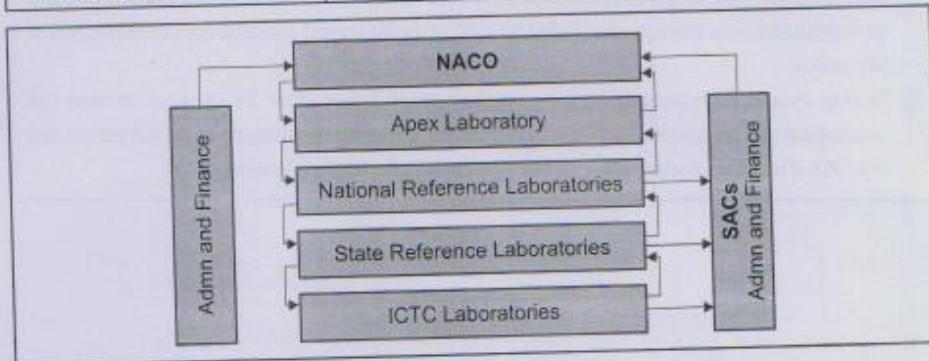
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## The Management of HIV Testing and Reference Laboratories

HIV testing in the National AIDS Control Programme (NACP) is performed by the Integrated Counselling and Testing Centres (ICTCs) and Blood Banks. Quality control for HIV testing is implemented through a chain of SRLs, NRLs and Apex Laboratory.

**Table 7.1. Roles and responsibilities of laboratories under the NACO laboratory network**

Level	Functions
Tier 1: Apex Laboratory: NARI	To provide technical assistance to the NACP To provide leadership to the laboratory network through NRLs Mentoring and monitoring of NRLs Training and capacity building of NRLs Implementing proficiency testing (EQA) for NRLs
Tier 2: National Reference Laboratories (13)	Mentoring and monitoring of SRLs Training and capacity building of SRLs Implementing proficiency testing (EQA) for SRLs Resolving the retesting discordant results from SRLs
Tier 3: State Reference Laboratories (117)	Mentoring and monitoring of ICTC Labs Training and capacity building of ICTC Labs Implementing proficiency testing (EQA) for ICTC Labs Quarterly rechecking of samples tested (20% positive and 5% negative) at ICTC labs as quality control Resolving the retesting discordant results from ICTC Labs
Tier 4: ICTC Labs (15,606)* Stand alone ICTC: 5694 Mobile ICTC: 124 F-ICTC : 8810 PPP (Public and Private Partnership) ICTC: 1977 * Till March 2014.	Perform HIV tests as per national guidelines Participating in proficiency testing and quality control activities Participate in training activities conducted by SRLs



## **Operational Management of NACO Laboratories (National Reference Laboratory, State Reference Laboratories & ICTC)**

### **Introduction**

This chapter underlines the policies and procedures for proper design, execution and uninterrupted operations of the NRL, SRL and ICTC laboratories to ensure quality services on a day-to-day basis.

### **Scope**

The scope of the laboratory defines its operating unit and its activities. In the case of an ICTC it includes counselling, sample collection, sample processing and testing for the diagnosis of HIV infection; whereas NRLs and SRLs facilitate the quality of testing at the ICTCs, along with training and surveillance activities. The laboratories should define their scope accordingly.

### **Organisation**

The laboratory should have an organogram with the designation, name, and contact details of every member of the staff associated with the laboratory. The staff should be aware of the organogram, which should be designed in such a way that staff backup is available at every level in their absence.

### **Laboratory Arrangement**

The laboratory must have separate designated areas for counselling, sample collection, washing, workstation, storage, and documentation. Steps must be taken to ensure privacy in the counselling and collection rooms. Each area must be properly labelled with biohazard symbols displayed in the workstation area and there restricted access to the laboratory.

### **Role and Responsibility**

The role and responsibility of each member of the staff must be defined and documented. Staff must be aware of their individual, as well as collective role and responsibility. The following are some of the responsibilities of the laboratory staff:

- ▶ Daily assignment of work to technician (by laboratory in-charge)
- ▶ Monitoring of the laboratory environment, including temperature log and cleaning log
- ▶ Ensuring proper biosafety including PPE
- ▶ Stock verification (physical) - at the beginning and the end of each day
- ▶ Preparation of fresh 0.1 percent and 1 percent sodium hypochlorite solution every morning.