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Uncertainty of Measurement: Summary table for Specialist Techniques

Uncertainty of measurement (UoM) is calculated using internal quality control (IQC)

The raw data and calculations can be found at the following location:

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Analyte	Acetylcholine receptor antibodies
	Positive IQC
Mean (x)	8.3
Number of measurements (n)	14
Estimated Standard Deviation (s)	0.51
Coefficient of Variance (%CV)	5.46%
Coverage factor (k) to define a confidence level of 95%	2
Relative standard expanded uncertainty (U)	± 10.9%
Uncertainty of measurement example (using IQC)	9.3 ± 1.02 nmol/L (8.3– 10.3 nmol/L)

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Analyte	GAD antibodies on the DS2
	Positive IQC
Mean (x)	118
Number of measurements (n)	14
Estimated Standard Deviation (s)	10.5
Coefficient of Variance (%CV)	8.88%
Coverage factor (k) to define a confidence level of 95%	2
Relative standard expanded uncertainty (U)	± 17.8%
Uncertainty of measurement example (using IQC)	118.2 ± 21 U/mL (97.2 – 139.2 U/mL)

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Analyte	Hib antibodies on DS2	
	Low IQC	High IQC
Mean (x)	0.335	3.8
Number of measurements (n)	51	33
Estimated Standard Deviation (s)	0.05	0.36
Coefficient of Variance (%CV)	14.0%	9.43%
Coverage factor (k) to define a confidence level of 95%	2	2
Relative standard expanded uncertainty (U)	± 28.0%	± 18.9%
Uncertainty of measurement example (using IQC)	0.335 ± 0.094 mg/L (0.241 – 0.429 mg/L)	3.8 ± 0.71 mg/L (3.1 – 4.5 mg/L)

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Analyte	Intrinsic factor antibodies on DS2	
	Negative IQC	Positive IQC
Mean (x)	7.2	79.6
Number of measurements (n)	32	38
Estimated Standard Deviation (s)	0.71	3.51
Coefficient of Variance (%CV)	9.82%	4.42%
Coverage factor (k) to define a confidence level of 95%	2	2
Relative standard expanded uncertainty (U)	± 19.6%	± 8.8%
Uncertainty of measurement example (using IQC)	7.2 ± 1.41 units (5.8 – 8.6 units)	79.6 ± 7.03 units (72.5 – 86.6 units)

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Analyte	PCP antibodies on DS2	
	Low IQC	High IQC
Mean (x)	28	209
Number of measurements (n)	89	28
Estimated Standard Deviation (s)	2.45	32.8
Coefficient of Variance (%CV)	8.75%	15.7%
Coverage factor (k) to define a confidence level of 95%	2	2
Relative standard expanded uncertainty (U)	± 17.5%	± 31.4%
Uncertainty of measurement example (using IQC)	28.0 ± 4.9 mg/L (23.1 – 32.9 mg/L)	209 ± 65.5 mg/L (144 – 275 mg/L)

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Analyte	Tetanus toxoid antibodies on DS2	
	Low IQC	High IQC
Mean (x)	0.27	4.4
Number of measurements (n)	67	45
Estimated Standard Deviation (s)	0.02	0.47
Coefficient of Variance (%CV)	5.76%	10.73%
Coverage factor (k) to define a confidence level of 95%	2	2
Relative standard expanded uncertainty (U)	± 11.5%	± 21.5%
Uncertainty of measurement example (using IQC)	0.27 ± 0.03 IU/mL (0.24 – 0.30 IU/mL)	4.4 ± 0.95 IU/mL (3.5 – 5.4 IU/mL)

For the details of the calculation and UoM protocol please refer to document QP_5: Uncertainty of Measurement Protocol.