Tryptase

Accreditation Status: UKAS Schedule of Accreditation

Date Scheme started: 2010

Clinical Applicability: The serum tryptase concentration reflects both the clinical severity of the

allergic reaction and the reaction mechanisms. Serum tryptase can also be utilised for determining suspected mastocytosis and suspected acute allergic

reactions (SER/040)

Analytes: Tryptase

Units for Reporting: Quantitative responses (µg/L)

Samples Distributed: Liquid format. Normal and pathological human serum

Number of Distributions per year: 6

Number of Samples per Distribution: 2

Frequency of Distributions: Every two months as outlined in the Distribution Schedule

Schedule of Analysis: Data entry is via the web for the submission of results. Data analysis

is commenced 21 days after sample dispatch. Late returns are accepted and

will contribute to the laboratory's cumulative performance statistics

Data Analysis: All Laboratory Trimmed Mean (ALTM) with truncation at 2SD, SD and CV%.

Reports show method specific statistics. Individual laboratory performance is

expressed in terms of MRBIS, SDBIS and MRVIS

Chosen Coefficient of Variation for Tryptase is 8%

Performance Scoring: MRVIS

Criteria of Performance: Laboratory performance is classified in terms of the MRVIS over a running

analytical window of 6 Distributions (12 months)

IdealMRVIS<50</th>Good50-100Adequate101-200

Poor >200 or SDBIS >200

Persistent Poor Performance: Defined as being in the Poor Performance category for two or more

successive Distributions