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NEW: Extra INSTAND EQA Scheme – Virus Immunology May/June 2020 (416)

Anti-SARS-CoV-2

Deadline for registration: Sunday, 17 May 2020
Shipment date: Monday, 25 May 2020
Deadline for receipt of data: Sunday, 14 June 2020

Dear colleagues,

For the first time in May 2020, INSTAND e.V. introduces a new External Quality Assessment (EQA) scheme for the detection of antibodies against SARS-CoV-2 "**Virus Immunology SARS-CoV-2 (ab)**" (416).

This new EQA scheme will be established by INSTAND e.V. in its capacity as reference institution of the Bundesaerztekammer (German Medical Association) as EQA provider in cooperation with the Gemeinsame Diagnostikkommission der Deutschen Vereinigung zur Bekämpfung der Viruskrankheiten (DVV e.V.) and Gesellschaft fuer Virologie (GfV e.V.).

Details of this new EQA scheme are as follows:

Number of samples and sample properties:

4 samples of 0.3-0.6 ml each, native patient serum or patient plasma (not re-calcified).

Each panel member contains patient serum or patient plasma from one individual donor only.

Parameters:

anti-SARS-CoV-2 total (without differentiation of IgG, IgA and IgM)
anti-SARS-CoV-2 IgG
anti-SARS-CoV-2 IgG avidity
anti-SARS-CoV-2 IgA
anti-SARS-CoV-2 IgM

Dates:

	May/June (4)	September (5)	November (6)
Deadline for registration	17.05.2020	17.07.2020	25.09.2020
Shipment	25.05.2020	02.09.2020	11.11.2020
Deadline for receipt of data	14.06.2020	18.09.2020	27.11.2020

Fees:

121,- € / survey
89,- € additional sample

For registration, please visit <https://rv-online.instandev.de/index.shtml?lang=en> and register in the EQAS Online system for placing your order(s).

Please contact the EQA advisors for further information.

Yours sincerely

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