

**International Consortium for Harmonization of Clinical Laboratory Results**  
**Harmonization Oversight Group / Council Meeting**

**DATE:** 31 October 2019

**TIME:** 08:00-08:55 a.m. USA EDT

<b>HOG Member</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Council Member</b>	<b>Present</b>
Greg Miller (chair)	x	Gary Myers (chair, AACC)	x
Eunice Lee (Vice-Chair)		Gye Chol Kwon (KSLM)	
Joseph Passarelli	x	Akira Seki (JCCLS)	
Steve Master		Sverre Sandberg (IFCC)	
Ian Young	x	Tony Killeen (CAP)	
Masato Maekawa			
Philippe Gillery (IFCC SD)			
Anja Kessler	x		
Melissa Snyder	x	<b>Observer</b>	
Yeo-Min Yun		Loretta Doan (AACC)	
Andy Hoofnagle		Katsuyuki Nakajima (JCCLS)	
Amrom Obstfeld	x		
Ross Molanaro	x		

**Minutes:**

Council activity:

Gary announced three new Stakeholder Members have joined the ICHCLR: Reference Institute for Bioanalytics in Germany; Royal College of Pathologists of Australasia Quality Assurance Programs in Australia; Zybio, Inc. in China.

HOG activity:

1. The IFCC SD remains a close collaborator of the ICHCLR and uses our prioritization of measurands to assist in review of standardization proposals received by the SD. A letter will be sent to the SD committees and working groups reminding them that ICHJCLR is interested to fund initial costs associate with standardization or harmonization projects.

Similar letters will also be sent to Council and Stakeholder members and to EFLM for distribution within those organizations.

2. The workshop, in collaboration with the IFCC SD, on barriers to global standardization of clinical laboratory testing: reference materials and regulations to be held following IFCC WorldLab in May 2020 is proceeding as planned. Formal letters of invitation will go out to speakers in the coming week. Two speakers are still being sought to address regulatory perspectives.
3. The pilot assessment for the commutable EQA data aggregation project, in collaboration with EQALM, was presented at the EQALM meeting in October by Sverre Sandberg and Eline van der Hagen. The group was enthusiastic about the project and several people expressed interest to participate. A paper will be prepared to report the results of the pilot study and form the basis for expanding the effort.
4. Measurand recommendations were reviewed for: IgG, IgA, IgM, hematocrit, estradiol and anti-MPO IgG antibodies. The recommendations will be posted to the web site.
5. Greg will follow up with the AACC Evidence Based Laboratory Medicine committee for progress on recommendations for measurands used in guidelines.

**Follow-up pending from our previous calls.**

6. A resources page to recognize and promote EQA with validated commutable samples is planned for the web site.
7. A letter requesting nominations for new HOG members will be sent to Council and Stakeholder members.
8. Anja will send Yeo-Min a sentence describing EQA data to add to the Theophylline summary report for the measurand table.
9. The Table below shows measurand assignments for prioritization recommendations for review by HOG and posting to the measurands table.

**Next conference call meeting:** December 11 at 8 AM USA EST

Measurand	Assigned to
Hemoglobin and CBC parameters, blood – POCT to do	Amrom

<b>Measurand</b>	<b>Assigned to</b>
Iron saturation	Amrom and Greg
Iron binding total	Amrom and Greg
Apolipoprotein A1 and B	IFCC WG
Pseudocholinesterase	
Calcium urine	Anja
Chloride urine	Anja
Glucose, urine	Anja
Calcium, ionized	Anja will provide additional EQA data to support the recommendation draft from Greg
Pregnancy associated plasma protein A (taken down)	Eunice?
Chlamydia; for STD	Eunice
Folate (taken down)	Greg
Vitamin B12	Greg
Iron	Greg
Protein urine	Greg
Creatinine, urine	Greg
Lactate dehydrogenase	Ian
Lipoprotein(a)	Ian
Compliment CH-50	Melissa
anti-nuclear antibody (taken down)	Melissa
Anti SS-A	Melissa
cytokeratin fragment 19 (CK19F)	Melissa

Measurand	Assigned to
Elastase 1	Melissa
Elastase 2	Melissa
HIV-1 genotype	Steve
Albumin, CSF	Steve; Likely dependent on urine and serum albumin harmonization
BCR/ABL	Tony
Hepatitis A Ab IgM	Tony and Melissa
Hepatitis A Ab IgG	Tony and Melissa
Hepatitis A Ab (Total)	Tony and Melissa
Hepatitis B core IgG and IgM	Tony and Melissa
Hepatitis B core Ab	Tony and Melissa
Hepatitis B DNA quant	Tony and Melissa
Hepatitis C Ab	Tony and Melissa
Drugs: acetaminophen, salicylate, tobramycin, gentamycin, benzodiazepine, amphetamines, tacrolimus, serolimus, lidocaine, methotrexate, N-acetylprocainamide, procainamide, primidone, quinidine, valproic acid, amikacin, barbiturates, cyclosporine, cocaine urine, methadone	Yeo-Min