

# UK NEQAS

Immunology, Immunochemistry & Allergy

ANNUAL PARTICIPANTS' MEETING

## ***EQA For The Changing Laboratory Landscape***

Friday 24th May 2024, Pennine Lecture Theatre, City Campus, Sheffield Hallam University

- 9:00 - 10:00**    **Registration, Refreshments and Networking**
- 10.00 - 11.30**    **Session 1: New Developments in Ensuring Quality - Chair: Chris Scott**
- 10:00 - 10:30**    **ISO 17043 and 15189 updates-the good, the bad, the ugly**  
Martin Stearn, UKAS
- 10:30 - 11:00**    **EQA dashboard-when, where, how?**  
Carol Stanley – UK NEQAS IIA, Sheffield
- 11:00 - 11:30**    **Managing multiple generations within the workforce**  
Duncan Whittaker, Sheffield Teaching Hospitals, Sheffield
- 11:30 - 12:00**    **Refreshments and Networking**
- 12:00 - 13.30**    **Session 2: Meeting Quality Challenges - Chair: Lesley Buswell**
- 12:00 - 12:30**    **Alpha-1-antitrypsin- Is harmonisation possible?**  
Dr Adrian Heaps- Southmead Hospital, Bristol
- 12:30 - 13:00**    **Systemic sclerosis-A critical appraisal of laboratory testing**  
Dr Liz Furrie- Ninewells Hospital, Dundee
- 13:00 - 13:30**    **Tumour markers-eliminating the variation**  
Dr Huub Rossum –Netherlands Cancer Institute
- 13:30 – 14:30**    **Lunch**
- 14:30 – 16:30**    **Session 3: Developing EQA - Chair: Richard Cartwright**
- 14:30 - 15:00**    **EQA - Hot topics and update**  
Dina Patel, UK NEQAS IIA, Sheffield
- 15:00 - 15:30**    **Critical appraisal of lab testing for tryptase and utility in patient diagnosis and treatment –** Dr Ravishankar Sargur, UK NEQAS IIA, Sheffield
- 15:30 – 16:00**    **The many benefits of using iEQA**  
Dr Hazel Wilkinson, UK NEQAS IIA, Sheffield
- 16:00 – 16:15**    **Closing Comments and Depart**

***Active participation & debate will be encouraged.***