

Technical Release Bulletin

Subject: QwikCheck™ Beads assayed control for the SQA-V; Spermalite: SQA-V GOLD

Background:

Most medical devices require that an external control with a known target value be routinely run on the system for the following reasons:

- · To check the accuracy of the method for reporting test results
- To proactively determine if the device has a problem prior to running real samples
- · To test operator efficiency and accuracy against a known standard

It is imperative that the operator run a control that is specifically assayed for the device OR to correctly assay a compatible control before testing it on the device for the following reasons:

- To have confidence that the target values and +/- ranges are correct for the device
- To correctly assess the accuracy of the system
- To measure Inter and intra operator or device variability

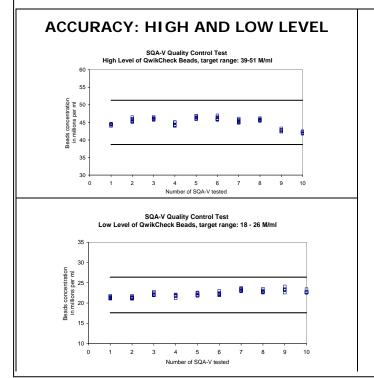
Overview:

It is recommended by the manufacturer to run QwikCheck™Beads assayed control on the SQA-V for all ROUTINE control testing. The reason for this is that QwikCheck™Beads:

- Are assayed for the SQA-V and thereby promote operator confidence and accuracy for testing the SQA-V without requiring any additional assaying or risk
- Are FDA approved
- Will correctly indicate a problem with the SQA-V that can be supported and resolved by the local distributor
- Contain a negative, low and high range series of controls that cover the dynamic range of the SQA-V for complete testing

Testing the SQA-V with QwikCheck™Beads

The tables below demonstrate accuracy and intra/inter device variability of the SQA-V using QwikCheck™Beads:



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SQA-V	QwikCheck Beads	CV, %
Intra-device Variability	High 47± 7.0 M/ml	≤ 1.0
	Low 24 ± 3.4 M/ml	≤ 1.0
	Negative Control	0.0
Inter-device Variability	High 47± 7.0 M/ml	≤ 2.0
	Low 24 ± 3.4 M/ml	≤ 2.0
	Negative Control	0.0

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