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Richard,

There is not a great deal that can usefully be said about the report. In general, the exercise is a further demonstration of the usefulness of the NMF1 test, of its reproducibility and of the ease with which the test can be established in other laboratories.

The method is essentially that which was in use here about 2 yrs ago. It is surprising that ITL are still using egg albumin when first GRADC, and then Hamburg, changed to the more stable bovine serum albumin. Since that time, we have introduced a considerable degree of automation at least in relation to the binding reaction stage.

One further point is that we normally set a coefficient of variation standard $\leq \pm 10\%$ of the sample mean for deciding on acceptability^{ness} of results. (at ITL value of 4.5%.)

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