

Discussion and Recommendations for the Classification of Quantitative Viral Load Assays for Transplant-associated Opportunistic Viral Infections

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Meeting Goals:



- Open discussion of the reclassification of quantitative CMV viral load devices, currently regulated as Class III devices, into Class II
- Obtain recommendations regarding the appropriate initial classification of quantitative viral load devices for EBV and BKV infection
- To discuss the benefits and risks of quantitative viral load assays to support and guide the development of special controls for analytes suggested to be eligible for a Class II designation

Agenda



Reclassification of quantitative CMV viral load devices from Class III to Class II

- Background of CMV regulatory path and Intended Uses (S. Gitterman, FDA)
- Clinical aspects of viral load testing for CMV (A. Limaye, Uni. of Washington)
- Technical issues with CMV viral load testing and standards (L. Cook, Uni. of Washington
- FDA perspective on CMV viral load assay reclassification (K. Whitaker, FDA)
- Open Public Hearing/Panel Deliberation/Questions to Panel

Benefit/Risk Discussion of EBV and BK Viruses in Transplant Patients

- Introduction and Background (S. Gitterman, FDA)
- Clinical aspects of EBV quantitative viral load testing and BK testing in transplant patients (A. Limaye, Uni. of Washington)
- Measurement of EBV Viral load in the laboratory (L. Cook, Uni. of Washington
- Open Public Hearing/Panel Deliberation/Questions to Panel

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