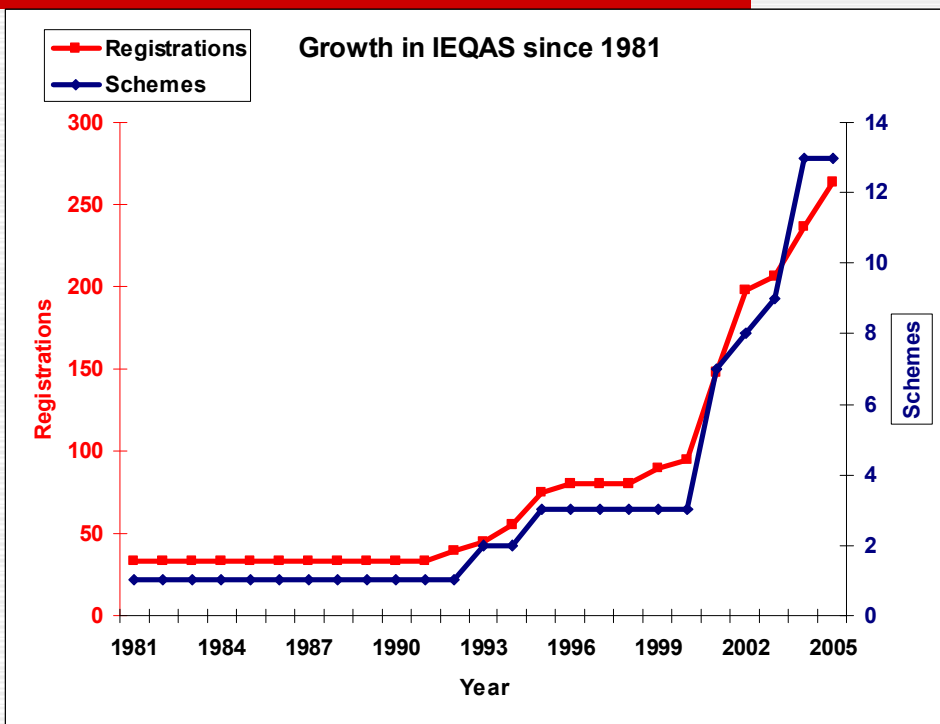


13th Participants' Conference

Annual Review

2005: 53 hospitals registered



2005

- New Office
 - Unit B06 Nutgrove Enterprise Park, D14
 - New phone/fax to follow
- Project Manager
 - Alan Carr (half-time for 2005)
- Additional office support
 - Frances Fitzharris (part-time)

Website upgrade Jan 2005

- Total upgrade
- Participant-specific area
 - Personalised data entry forms
 - Current and historic reports
 - NEW: Results summary (CC, FBC)
 - Participation details
 - Hospital contacts
 - Archive of confidential material

2005 Projects

- Safety & Ethics policy
 - Fresh blood in EQA
- Review of International EQA Schemes
- Survey: EQA Requirements in Ireland
- Certification/Accreditation
 - ISO 9001 - ready to apply
 - ISO/IEC Guide 43-1, ILAC-G13 to follow

2005 Surveys

- FBC: QC vs Patient mode
- Coagulation
 - Mary Byrne
- Clinical Chem: Pre-analytical errors
 - Ann Breen
- HbA1c: Haemoglobinopathy
 - Tom Smith

2006 New schemes?

- Coagulation (locally run)?
 - Incl. D-Dimers
 - Awaiting outcome of Special Survey
- Others?
 - Contact IEQAS
 - Monitored
 - Non-monitored
 - eg Hemoxymeters, D-Dimers in 2005

2006 Labquality scheme

Increased frequency

- ESR 2 → 3/year
- Blood Gas 2 → 3/year
- Myocardial Markers 4 → 5/year
- Hemoxymeters 1 → 2/year

Internet only

- PSA
- Coagulation, D-Dimers
- Blood Gas

Future plans

□ Microbiology

- Anti-microbial susceptibility testing
- Joint workshop planned with ISCM

□ Cervical Screening

- IEQAS represented on Irish Cervical Screening Research Consortium

Review Group/Technical Advisors

□ New for 2005

- Dr Tom Smith, SVUH (HbA1c)
- Dr Kanthi Perera, Limerick (BCM)
- Mr Rowland Reece, SVUH (CC)

Website

- Presentations on website
- www.ieqas.ie

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