



Oestradiol (E2) Change of Method

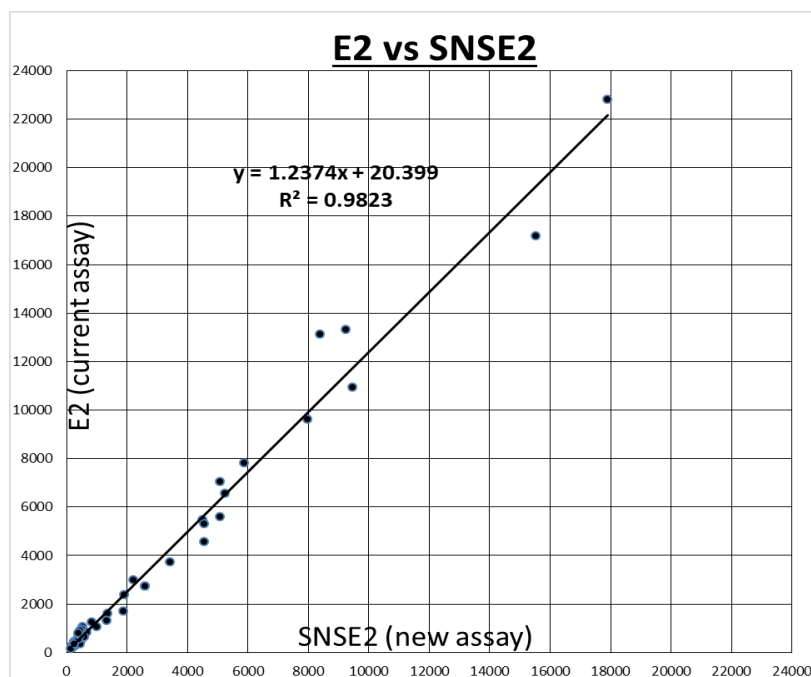
On 12th November the Oestradiol (E2) assay performed at Pathlab sites will be re-standardised and change to an ultrasensitive method. There is very good correlation of results between the two methods but you will notice a number of changes:

Lower reportable limit

The improved performance of the new test will allow us to report down to a level of 55pmol/L as opposed to the current lower limit of 200 pmol/L

Results will be lower with the new assay

The re-standardised assay will align our results to most other assays in use throughout New Zealand. Results from the new assay will be approximately 17% lower than our current assay – see comparison chart below



Reference Intervals

There will be no change to reference intervals as these are already aligned with other methods.

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