**Antiphospholipid Antibodies detection**

The Antiphospholipid Antibodies (aPL) profile included Lupus Anticoagulant (LA), anticardiolipin (aCL), and anti- ß2 Glycoprotein I antibodies (anti-ß2GPI). The aCL and anti-ß2GPI (IgG and IgM) were detected by commercial ELISA assay by INOVA Diagnostics, Inc., San Diego, CA, United States.

Plasma samples were tested for the presence of LA according to the recommended criteria from the International Society on Thrombosis and Haemostasis (ISTH) Subcommittee on Lupus Anticoagulant/Phospholipid-Dependent Antibodies [1,2].

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