

Dear colleague,

The European Directorate for the Quality of Medicines and HealthCare/Council of Europe, as part of a cooperation agreement with the European Commission, is analysing post-mortem blood testing practices in Europe.

The survey that you will find below has been created for this purpose. It is divided into 2 parts. Part A contains questions on guidelines, blood sampling, conservation and transport. Part B contains questions on blood testing.



Tissue establishments should answer both parts of the survey if blood testing is performed in-house.



If blood testing is outsourced (i.e. performed by one or more external testing laboratories), tissue establishments should forward the link of part B of the survey to the concerned testing laboratory(ies) at their earliest opportunity to allow them enough time to complete the survey. It is strongly advised to also forward the enclosed word document of part B of the survey so respondents can better plan on the information to be provided through the online survey.

Please note this survey is focused EXCLUSIVELY on blood samples collected post-mortem for donor screening and all responses should be given in respect to these type of blood samples. When tissue establishments/testing laboratories only perform screening on samples collected pre-mortem, the questionnaire should not be completed.

Please respond to this survey no later than 4 June 2021.

SURVEY ON POST-MORTEM BLOOD TESTING PRACTICES FOR TISSUE DONATION

Part A (Guidelines and tissue sampling)

<http://survey.edqm.eu/index.php?r=survey/index&sid=172389&lang=en>

Part B (Blood testing)

<http://survey.edqm.eu/index.php?r=survey/index&sid=266542&lang=en>

Thank you in advance for your participation in providing valuable information that will enable the improvement of post-mortem blood testing in Europe.

Yours sincerely,



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