



PT: “Molecular identification of *Echinococcus* at the species level”

Instructions

On arrival, package content and condition of included items are to be checked and reported in

Form 1 (*MO/POPVI-08/04: Check package*)*

Test results are to be submitted within the deadline reported in the PT request form (use **Form 4** - *MO/POPVI-08/07: Results**- to submit the results); test results will not be accepted if forwarded after the deadline.

Protocol for sample analysis

The participants may apply the molecular method used in their routinely laboratory activities for the identification of *Echinococcus* at species level.

The applied method is to be described in **Form 3** (*MO/POPVI-08/06: Procedure**), whereas instruments, reagents and materials used to perform the test should be listed using **Form 2** (*MO/POPVI-08/05: List of instruments, reagents and materials used to perform the test*). In case a published method is used, reference detail must be indicated as well as any variation from the original procedure (in the dedicated column).

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**Note: all forms are sent by e-mail to the participants on the same day of PT panel shipping*