

Recommendations/Requirements for Molecular Proficiency Testing

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Additional Information for Microbiology and Histocompatibility:

Microbiology:

- If performing patient testing on specimens by molecular methods only, laboratories must meet the regulatory requirements of testing 5 specimens in 3 mailings for each subspecialty, as appropriate. Subspecialties include bacteriology, mycology, virology, and parasitology. The mycobacteriology requirement is 5 specimens tested in each of the 2 mailings.
- If performing molecular testing on patient specimens, in addition to traditional culture methods, alternative assessment is required. Alternative assessment can be met through enrollment in PT programs.

Histocompatibility:

- Regardless of methodology, laboratories should enroll in the appropriate HLA program(s) to meet testing needs.



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