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# Final report PT-06: T 1/2023

# PT-06: "Detection of anti-Toxoplasma IgG in animal serum samples"

### Design

Purpose	Evaluation of laboratories competence in detection anti Toxoplasma IgG in animal serum		
Scheme type	Single, simultaneous		
Participants	National reference laboratories for parasites. Public and private laboratories		
N. of participants	Depending on request		
Method	not regulated		
Test method	chosen by the participant		
PT items	Matrix	serum	
	Item	IgG	
	N. of samples	3 for each participant	
	Distribution	Immediate shipment after preparation	
Subcontracted activities	NA		
Results evaluation	Qualitative		

#### Implementation

N. of participants	17	PT items	Serum samples	3
Public laboratories	17			
Private laboratories	0		PT panel composition	3 positive
NRL	17		Shipping	DHL Express
Shipping dates	March 13	g <sup>th</sup> 2023		

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#### Results

The PT final evaluation is qualitative only. The PT was considered passed if all positive and all negative samples were correctly identified by the participant.

Laboratory code	N° of samples correctly identified	N° of samples NOT correctly identified	Final evaluation	
Α	3	1	Positive	
В	3	1	Positive	
С	3	1	Positive	
D	3	1	Positive	
E	3	1	Positive	
F	3	1	Positive	
G	3	1	Positive	
Н	3	1	Positive	
1	3	- 1	Positive	
J	3	1	Positive	
L	3	1	Positive	
М	3	1	Positive	
N	3	1	Positive	
0	3	1	Positive	
P	3	1	Positive	
Q	3	1	Positive	
R	3	• 1	Positive	

#### Summary of results:

Total number of PT panels	3	
Number of participant laboratories	17	
Number of participants that passed the PT	17	
Number of participants that failed the PT	0	

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#### Overtime comparison of results

Laboratory code	N° of samples correctly classified/ year				
	2015	2019	2021	2022	2023
Α	1	1	1	4/4	3/3
В	10/10	1	1	3/4	3/3
C	1	6/6	6/6	3/4	3/3
D	10/10	6/6	6/6	4/4	3/3
E	10/10	6/6	6/6	1	3/3
F	10/10	6/6	6/6	4/4	3/3
G	1	1	6/6	4/4	3/3
Н	1	6/6	6/6	4/4	3/3
I	10/10	3/6	6/6	2/4	3/3
J	1	6/6	6/6	3/4	3/3
L	1	1	1	4/4	3/3
M	10/10	5/6	6/6	4/4	3/3
N	10/10	6/6	6/6	4/4	3/3
0	10/10	5/6	1	4/4	3/3
P	1	6/6	6/6	3/4	3/3
Q	10/10	6/6	6/6	4/4	3/3
R	10/10	6/6	6/6	3/4	3/3

#### Legend:

- The laboratory codes are those assigned this year.
- Laboratories that failed the PT are marked in blue.

#### Comments:

PTP person in charge

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Date 15/05/2023

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Notes:

1. To guarantee confidentiality, participant laboratories are identified by alphanumeric codes. PT participant identity is kept confidential and bound by professional secrecy. The PTP reserves itself the right to provide the laboratory PT result to the competent authority on request.

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- 2. The organizer designates a qualified company for the transport and delivery of PT items.
- 3. Each participating laboratory receives a PT panel according to the PT scheme. Each PT item consists of a serum sample collected from *Toxoplasma gondii* infected pigs as well as from *Toxoplasma gondii* free pigs and tested for anti-*Toxoplasma* IgG by a commercial kit. All proficiency items with the same IgG titer were prepared from a single animal, in order to assure homogeneity. PT items Serum samples, stored between +4+15°C, are stable for more than 1 month from the date of preparation.
- 4. At the beginning of each year, the organizer draws up a PT program and makes it known by sending an email to the NRLs
- 5. The final report issue of each PT round shows the PT program implementation.

End of the report