



## PT-08: "Molecular identification of *Echinococcus* at the species level"

## Instructions

The same day of items shipping, the participant receives a link to an on-line form where the following information must be reported:

- Package content and its condition of preservation
- Materials and Methods used to analyze PT samples
- Results

The on-line form remains active until the due date (specified in the PT request form), after this date, results will not be accepted.

At arrival in the lab, the packaging and its contents must be checked for correctness and completeness.

## 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.

If an in-house method is applied, it must be described in the on-line form.

In case a published method is used, reference detail must be indicated, as well as any, variation from the original procedure, in the on-line form.

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