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With a focus on Thrombosis and Haemostasis

REPORT



SURVEY 2026-M1

Main

Labcode 606

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Note:

In the Survey Manual 2026 detailed information is given regarding the ECAT external quality assessment programme, including the statistical evaluation and explanation of the report.

This Survey Manual 2026 should be considered as an integral part of this survey report.

Please notice the information regarding the homogeneity of samples used and the between-laboratory variation in the paragraph on the statistical evaluation of the Survey Manual.

General Information

Exclusion of results

Results < [value] or > [value] are excluded from the statistical analysis. When other results (e.g. deviating results) are excluded from the statistical analysis, these results are placed between brackets.

Multiple instruments

Participants have the option to submit three results per parameter for up to three different instruments and/or different methods. However, some participants submitted identical results three times, implying these were separate results. This is not the case and may affect the statistical analysis. The results submitted for the second and third system have been excluded from the statistical analysis. Please submit results no more than once unless they are a different measurement.

Z-score of the Predictive Control Chart

From 2026 in the Main Survey report, the Z-score history plot (by survey) is replaced by the Z-score Predictive Control Chart (PCC plot). Explanation about the PCC plot can be found after Log-in in the participants portal under "View Documents".

Complaints

Any complaints regarding this survey report should be reported to the ECAT before **June, 23rd, 2026**. Complaints received after this date will not be taken into consideration.

This report is authorized by: Dr. M.J. van Essen-Hollestelle (Programme Expert)

Note: The current Survey Manual can be downloaded from the 'Participant Area' of the ECAT website. Login and select the option 'View Documents'.

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