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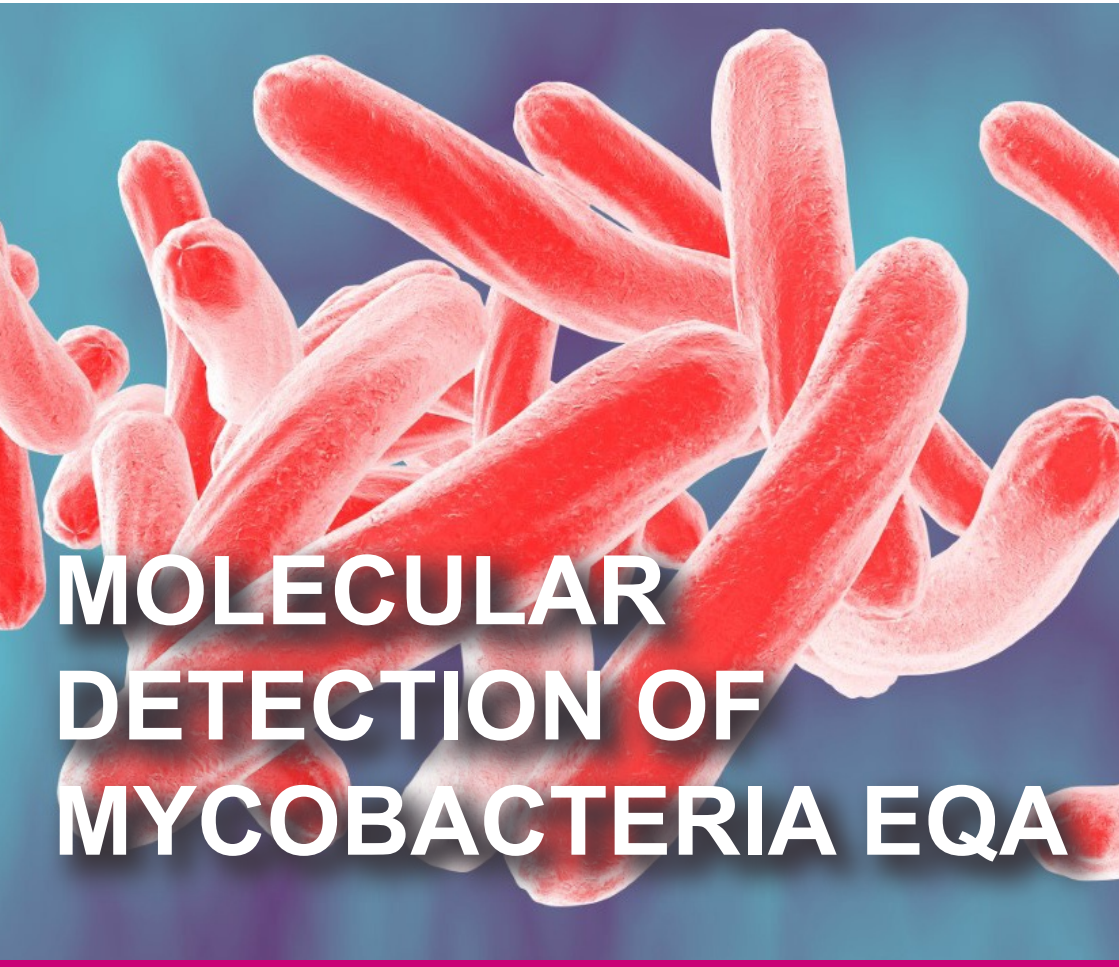

# MOLECULAR DETECTION OF MYCOBACTERIA EQA

**External Quality Assessment (EQA) scheme for laboratories examining direct and/or post-culture for the detection of mycobacteria and rifampicin genes using molecular methods**


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# Molecular Detection of Mycobacteria

- Direct and post culture detection of mycobacteria and rifampicin resistance genes
- Suitable for molecular methods
- Scoring for direct detection, detection post culture and rifampicin resistance
- 3 distributions each containing 2 lyophilised specimens per year
- 8-week period for examination and reporting results
- Intended results will be available for viewing on our website, within three days of the distribution closing, and individual report detailing performance analysis, issued within 20 working days
- Scheme supported by qualified and experienced professionals
- Educational
- Country-specific performance analysis provided where sufficient laboratories (from that country) take part
- Participants can request repeat samples free of charge to assist with investigations in the event of an EQA failure
- This scheme is accredited in accordance with **ISO/IEC 17043**

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