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## **European foreword**

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#### Introduction

Molecular *in vitro* diagnostics, including molecular pathology, has enabled a significant progress in medicine. Further progress is expected with new technologies analysing nucleic acids, proteins, and metabolites in human tissues and body fluids. However, integrity of these molecules can change during specimen collection, transport, storage, and processing, thus making the outcome from diagnostics or research unreliable or even impossible because the subsequent examination assay will not determine the situation in the patient but an artificial pattern generated during the pre-examination process. Therefore, a standardization of the entire process from specimen collection to the DNA examination is needed. Studies have been undertaken to determine the important influencing factors. This document draws upon such work to codify and standardize the steps for frozen tissue with regard to DNA examination in what is referred to as the pre-examination phase.

DNA integrity in tissues can change during processing and storage. Modifications of the DNA molecules can impact the validity and reliability of the examination test results. Therefore, it is essential to take special measures to minimize the described DNA changes and modifications for subsequent examination.

In this document, the following verbal forms are used:

- "shall" indicates a requirement;
- "should" indicates a recommendation;
- "may" indicates a permission;
- "can" indicates a possibility or a capability.

### 1 Scope

This document gives recommendations for the handling, storage, processing and documentation of frozen tissue specimens intended for DNA examination during the pre-examination phase before a molecular examination is performed.

This document is applicable to molecular *in vitro* diagnostic examination including laboratory developed tests performed by medical laboratories and molecular pathology laboratories that evaluate DNA isolated from frozen tissue. It is also intended to be used by laboratory customers, *in vitro* diagnostics developers and manufacturers, biobanks, institutions and commercial organizations performing biomedical research, and regulatory authorities.

Tissues that have undergone chemical stabilization pre-treatment before freezing are not covered in this document.

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#### 2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

EN ISO 15189:2012, Medical laboratories — Requirements for quality and competence (ISO 15189:2012, Corrected version 2014-08-15)

EN ISO/IEC 17020:2012, Conformity assessment — Requirements for the operation of various types of bodies performing inspection (ISO/IEC 17020:2012)

ISO 15190, Medical laboratories — Requirements for safety

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