

Emergency Management

in Predictive Molecular Pathology Laboratories:
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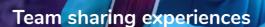
Predictive molecular pathology in the time of COVID-19 in Europe*

In the time of COVID-19, predictive molecular pathology laboratories must still timely select oncological patients for targeted treatments. However, the need to respect social distancing measures may delay results generated by laboratory-developed tests based on sequential steps a long hands-on time. Laboratory workflows should now be simplified.*

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Key messages



- The COVID-19 outbreak modifies laboratory organisation to limit personnel number and working hours.
- Despite these limitations, in our laboratories, oncological patients have timely been tested for targeted treatments.
- This public health emergency underlines even more the concept that predictive molecular pathology should be practised in advanced laboratories by **highly trained staff**, even if fully automated procedures are employed.

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