

# How is the decision taken regarding whether a sample is classified as 'core' or 'non-core'?



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This decision is based on the concentration of the marker to be tested, the data obtained in previous B-PTS studies and the regulatory requirements (e.g. CTS requirements/IVD regulation). The final classification as core or non-core is confirmed based on the results obtained during pre-distribution testing.