

**Supplementary Table 1. Instruments in each participating laboratory**

Laboratory	Instrument	Manufacturer
GC Labs	Modular analytics	Roche Diagnostics, Mannheim, Germany
A	Cobas 8000, c702	Roche Diagnostics, Mannheim, Germany
B	TBA-2000FR	Toshiba Medical Systems Corporation, Tochigi, Japan
C	ADVIA1800	Siemens Healthcare Diagnostics, Marburg, Germany
D	TBA-2000FR	Toshiba Medical Systems Corporation, Tochigi, Japan
E	Cobas 8000, c702	Roche Diagnostics, Mannheim, Germany
F	TBA 200FR NEO	Toshiba Medical Systems Corporation, Tochigi, Japan
G	Cobas 8000, c702	Roche Diagnostics, Mannheim, Germany
H	TBA-2000FR	Toshiba Medical Systems Corporation, Tochigi, Japan
I	TBA-2000FR	Toshiba Medical Systems Corporation, Tochigi, Japan

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