

Mislabeled cases, specimens, blocks, and slides: a College of American Pathologists study of 136 institutions.

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Looking across 136 institutions, this study quantified [mislabeled](#) rates at a cumulative total of 0.11% for cases, specimens, blocks, and slides. The authors reinforce the need for [quality](#) monitoring since most errors were caught in the immediate steps following the error.