Immunogenicity Assays Working Group Update



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- The **Immunogenicity Assays Working Group** is part of the Strategy Working Group and was founded in 2021.
- The Working Group currently meets every 3 weeks for 1hour.
- The goal of the Working Group is for the members to exchange their company's practices on immunogenicity assay related topics and work to publish industry best practices as recommended by EIP.
- Currently, discussion topics include all stages of humoral immunogenicity, or anti-drug antibody (ADA) assays, including assay cross-validation

Who Are We?



European Immunogenicity Platform



2024 Goals

Cross validation practices survey:

- Distributed in 2024
- Responses so far

Preliminary Survey Results

Company type

- N=4 Pharmaceutical
- N=3 Biotech
- N=2 CRO



- N=5 Yes
- N=3 No
- N=1 Planning

- N=1 Yes
- N=8 No

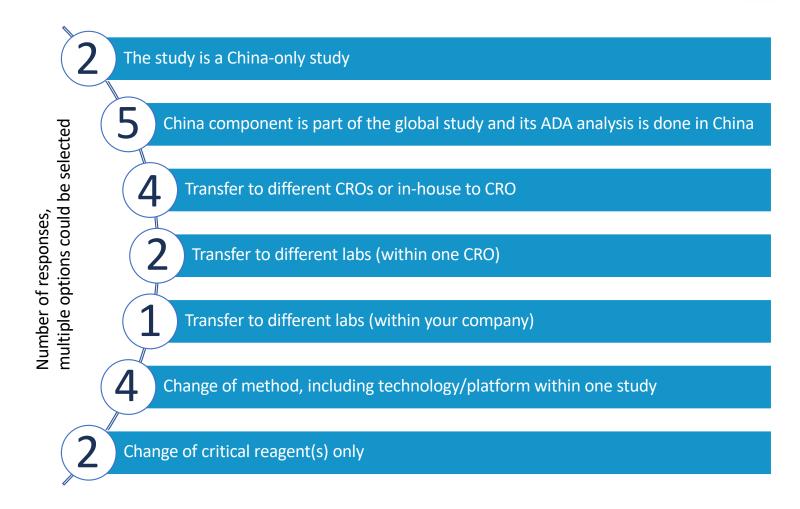
Received comments on cross validation strategy

- N=0 Yes
- N=9 No



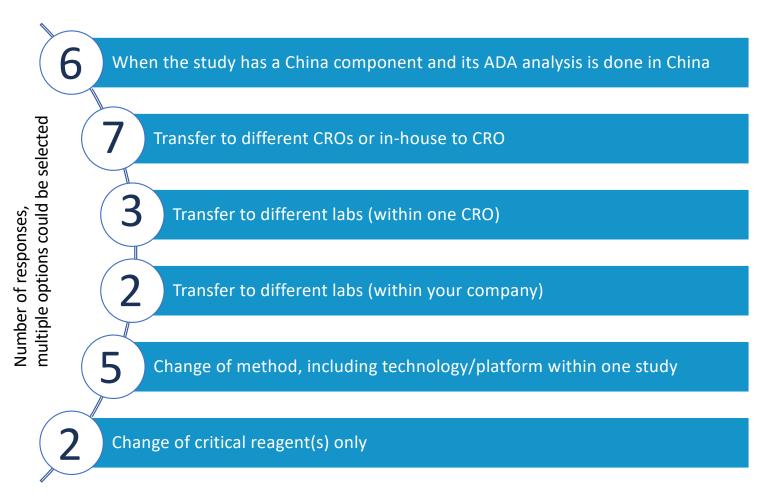
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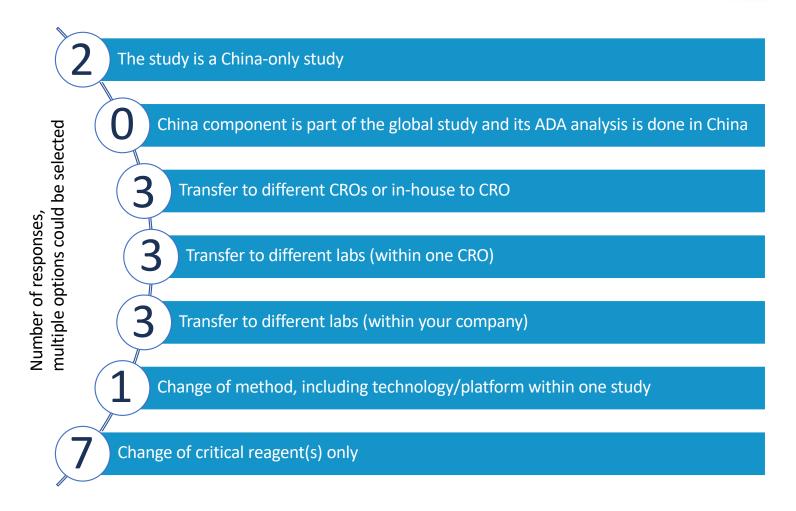
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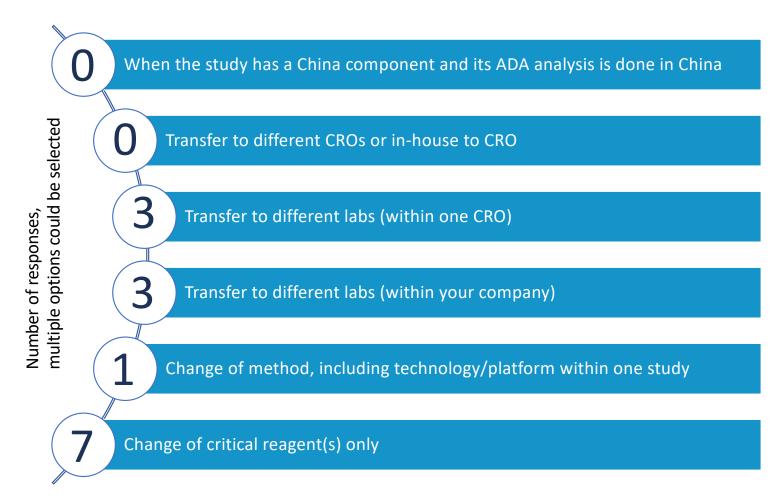
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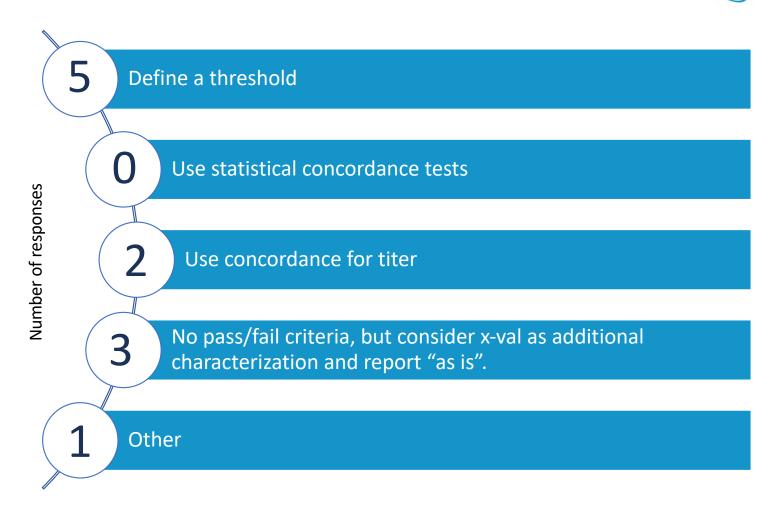
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- N=2 incurred samples
- N=4 spiked samples
- N=2 both spiked and incurred

For ADA cross validation when China is involved, what type of samples do you use?

- N=3 never done
- N=0 incurred samples
- N=5 spiked samples
- N=1 both spiked and incurred

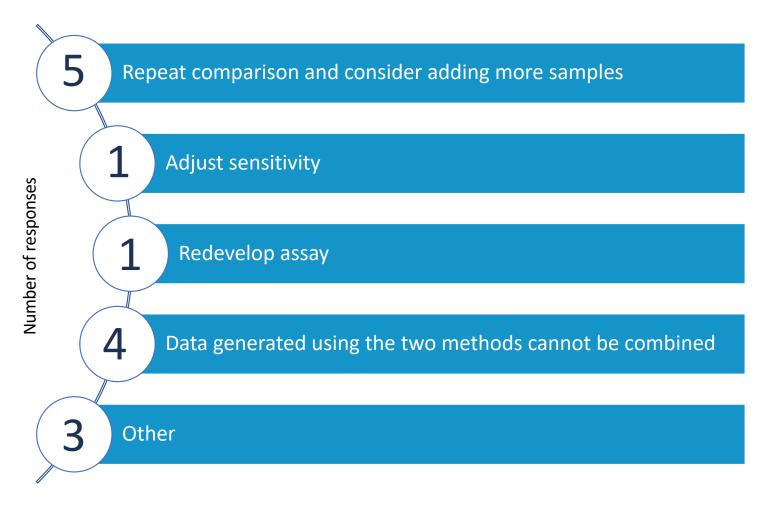






What do you do when a cross validation fails?





Preliminary Survey Results

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Assess titer results

- N=3 Yes
- N=2 No
- N=3 Sometimes

Assess drug tolerance

- N=4 Yes
- N=3 No

If a method has NOT been validated at both sites

- N=1 Yes
- N=7 No



How many ADA positive samples are necessary?

- 5 30
- HPC/TPC
- LPC/100ng/mL

How many ADA negative samples are necessary?

- 5 33
- Exclude pre-existing

2024/2025 Goals

A manuscript on cross-validation (*Perspective*)



- "...perception that this might be important for regulatory agencies with newer programs..."
- "Having guidance from the EIP on situations when a cross validation is critical and how to perform and to assess its results and its impact on clinical study results would be appreciated."
- Lack of regulatory guidance
- Survey, overview of practices across companies or published
- Description and discussion/comparison of different approaches, highlighting requirements, key differences and similarities, tools and reporting strategies for the statistical comparison
- Provide recommendations if possible
- Targeting to send to Bioanalysis



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