



# Easy Quick Test **DAT**

## PRESENTATION

A Direct Antiglobulin Test (DAT) or Coombs Test is performed to **detect the presence of antibodies against red blood cells**. It is used in the diagnosis of Immune-Mediated Hemolytic Anemia (IMHA).

There are 2 forms of IMHA:

- The first one is idiopathic IMHA (or primary IMHA) which is probably due to a dysregulation of the immune system.
- The second one (secondary IMHA) is associated with several diseases such as infection diseases (virus, FIV, FeLV, bacteria, parasitic...) or haemopathy or auto immune diseases (lupus). Drug reactions could also induce a secondary IMHA. In cats, secondary IMHA is the most common cause.

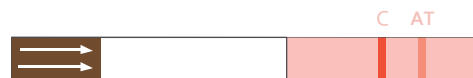
## TIME PROCEDURE

20 Minutes

## RESULTS

**Positive result** = Presence of auto-antibodies. **Negative result** = Absence of auto-antibodies.

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