

**Priority question for written answer P-005014/2020  
to the Commission**

Rule 138

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Subject: PCR (polymerase chain reaction) tests

1. Could the Commission please describe the rates of false positives and false negatives for the qRT-PCR (quantitative reverse transcriptase polymerase chain reaction) tests in the different Member States? What does that mean for the population in terms of controlling the spread of COVID-19?
2. Could the Commission please describe the cross-platform comparisons of the RT-PCR (reverse transcriptase polymerase chain reaction) tests being used in the Member States, including the target genes used and the comparison of sensitivities?