

# SARS-CoV-2 Serological Standards Harmonization

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# What should a Coronavirus Standards Working Group do?



Assure development and availability of standards, controls, interlab testing, knowledge to support successful rollout & scaling of 2019-nCoV testing




Identify and develop critical infrastructure to support...

- confidence in test results
- interoperability
- scale-up
- long-term capacity



Identify best practices that should be institutionalized

Learn what we need to so next time we have a global network in place ready to make standards.



# SARS-CoV-2 Serology Reference Material Harmonization

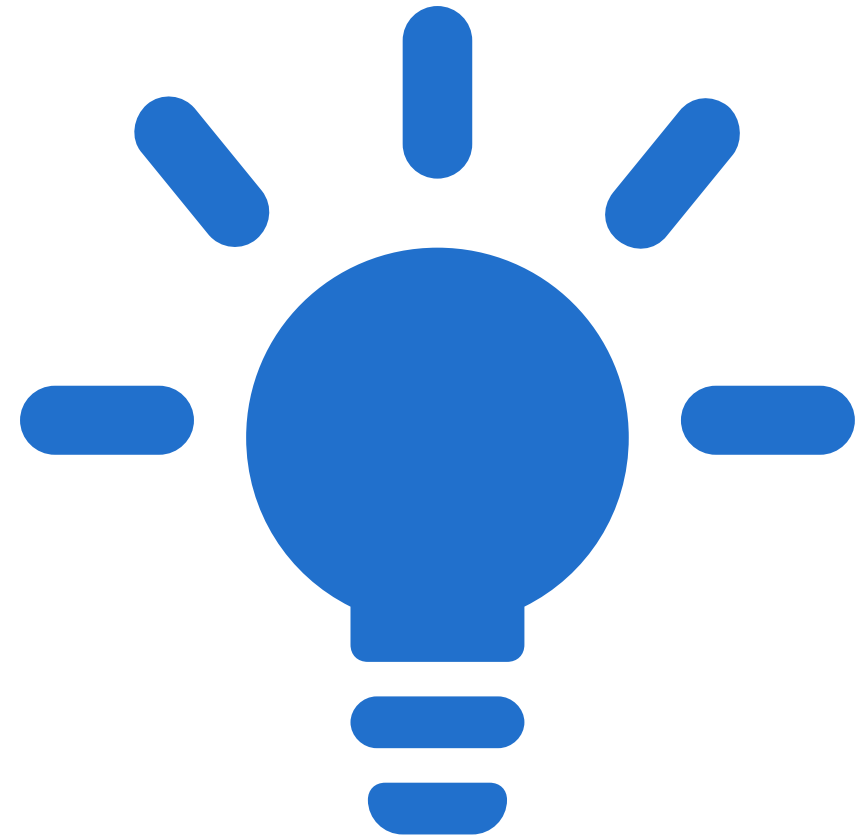
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# Objectives

- ▶ To align multiple SARS-CoV-2 serology reference materials with the 20/136 WHO International Standard.
  - ▶ Allow global accessibility to quality materials to calibrate their serology tests.
  - ▶ Improve the equity of access to SARS-CoV-2 Serology reference materials.



# What this Study will not do



Compare serology testing



Rank current reference materials



Compare performance between labs



Evaluate performance of serology testing



# Material & Lab Recruitment



01

## Candidate Serology Material Attributes

- Type of Source Material
- Antibody Contents
- Handling Requirements (DTS, neat, lyophilized, etc.)
- Storage/Shipping Temperature
- Infectious disease testing performed on material

02

## Candidate Testing Lab Attributes

- Test Method,  
Manufacturer
- Lab source (clinical, academic, reference, etc.)
- Antigen Target used (S, RBD, N, whole virus, etc.)
- Antibody type detected (IgM, IgG, IgA, Total Ig, etc.)

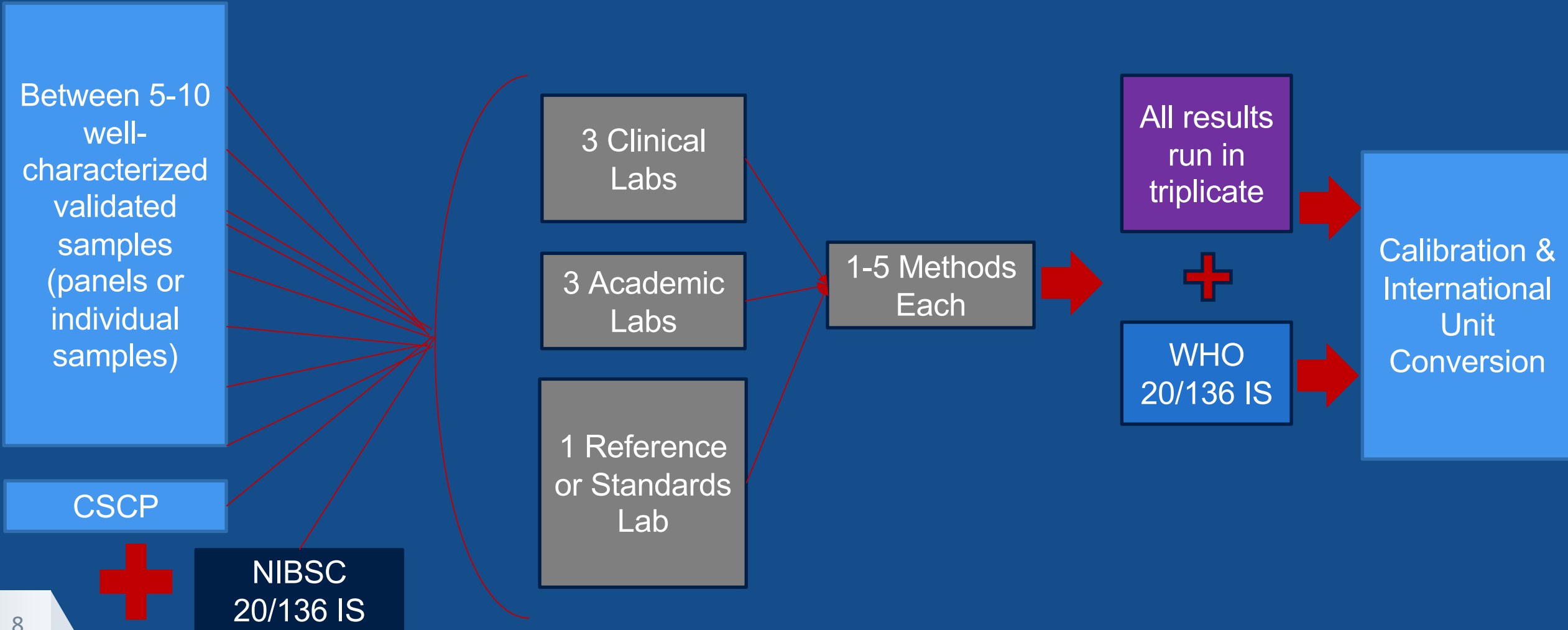
# Candidate Lab Focus Areas



- ▶ Tests that offer measures that are correlates of protection (vaccine performance)
  - ▶ Neutralization, ELISA, etc.
- ▶ Tests deployed for serosurveillance in low resource settings.
  - ▶ RDTs, Lateral Flow, etc.



# Study Design





# Timeline



## Teams are built

- Teams will convene internally
- Report on progress during Friday meetings

## Labs begin to report data

- Use harmonized SOP for material management & testing.
- Report data in centralized REDCap form
- Note any issues with materials, testing, shipments, or storage.





# Who wants to help?

01

Materials  
recruitment

Identify labs to supply reference materials  
Design the combined panel  
Compile sample handling & integrity information

02

Lab coordination

Recruit/mobilize testing labs  
Compose harmonized SOP for sample handling  
Evaluate import & shipping needs

03

Data reporting

Design harmonized reporting form  
Store & archive data reports

04

Analysis

Design analysis strategy  
Calibrate panels to WHO International Standard 20/136  
Analyze findings

# Discussion

