

The Top Ten Problems in Coagulation Testing Through the Ages

	1997	R	2006	R	2011
10	LA Test Profiles		Validating Point-of-Care Instruments	✓	Monitoring Platelet Function
9	Monitoring Heparin Therapy		Platelet Function Specimens	✓	Unreliable D-dimer Assays
8	Monitoring LMWH	✓	PTT "Heparin Resistance"	✓	PT/INR Variability
7	Specimen Chilling	✓	PT/INR Variability		VWD Variability
6	PTT "Heparin Resistance"		LA Test Profiles		LA Test Profiles
5	Specimen Management		PTT Heparin Therapeutic Range	✓	Monitoring Heparin Therapy
4	New, Sensitive PT & PTT Reagents	✓	Confusing Test Names		Confusing Test Names
3	3.2% Vs. 3.8% Sodium Citrate	✓	Monitoring DTIs		Specimen Management
2	PT/INR Variability		Specimen Management		Thrombophilia Profiles
1	PTT Heparin Therapeutic Range		Thrombophilia Profiles		Monitoring DTIs and New A/Cs
R = Resolved					

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