

# **Considerations for Implementing Tests Approved by Another National Regulatory Authority**

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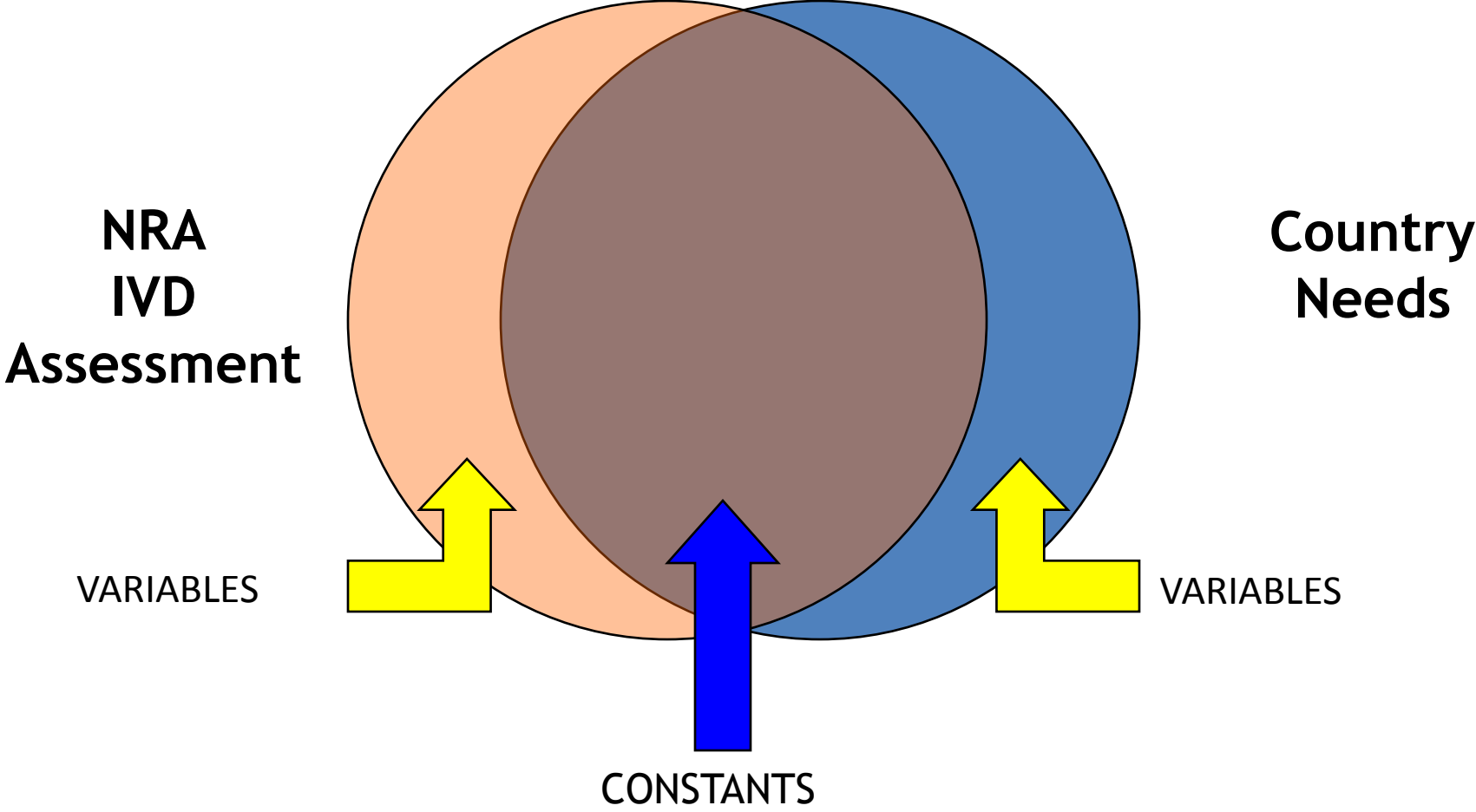
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# Considering Tests Approved by an NRA



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**CONSTANTS**

# Constants?

## Design and Manufacturing

- Product description
- Product design
- Design overview
- Formulation and composition
- Biological safety
- Key suppliers
- Documentation of design changes
- Manufacturing process
- Overview of manufacture
- Site of manufacture

# Constants?

## Product Performance

- Analytical studies
- Specimen types
- Analytical performance characteristics
- Accuracy of measurement
- Analytical sensitivity
- Analytical specificity
- Metrological traceability of calibrators and control material values
- Measuring range of assay
- Validation of assay cutoff
- Software verification and validation

# Constants?

## Other

- Commercial history (countries of supply)
- Quality Management System
  - Quality manual
  - Quality management system documents
- Inspection

# VARIABLES

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# Variables

- What does FDA approval/clearance of an IVD address?
  - Safety and effectiveness for marketing in the US
  - Test performance in predominantly US populations
  - Consistency of manufacturing at specific manufacturing sites
  - Test design for US users
  - Test design for US testing environments

# Variables

## Test Performance

- Testing in US populations
  - Population/region differences in test performance
  - Sensitivity/specificity/predictive values may vary by country/region/disease prevalence
  - Confounding factors (co-infections, environmental, other)

# Variables

## Manufacturing Site

- Manufacturing facility evaluated with product
- Same controls in place at manufacturing site not approved with product?
- Potential for significant impact on product performance
- Product design

# Variables

## Product Design

- US approved/cleared test designed for US operators and US conditions
  - Storage requirements (temperature/humidity) and stability
  - Instructions for use
  - Trained personnel
- Resource-limited settings
  - Temperature and humidity outside of validated range
  - Lack of trained personnel
  - Lack of special storage conditions
  - Unreliable power sources
  - Need for studies to demonstrate test shelf-life, shipping stability, etc.

# Variables

## Product Design, cont.

- “Regulatory versions” of products
  - Manufacturers produce different versions of the same test for use in different markets
    - Manufacturing site
    - Product quality
    - Different NRA degree of oversight
  - May lead to assumption that all tests by that name are the same

# Variables

## Risk

- Risk/benefit consideration may differ from region to region
- Nevertheless, it is critical for:
  - Performance parameters to be well characterized
  - Performance to be consistent from lot to lot
  - Labeling to be truthful

# SUMMARY

- There are elements of that evaluation by an NRA that may be taken into account by countries who adopt a test previously approved by an NRA (constants).
- However, there are also critical elements that do not necessarily transfer (variables) and should be taken into account to assure maximum public health benefit in specific settings.

# **AN ANALOGY**



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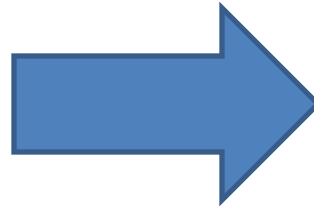


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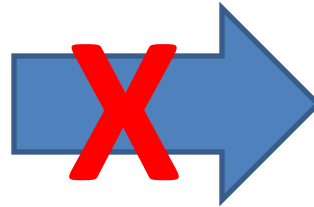


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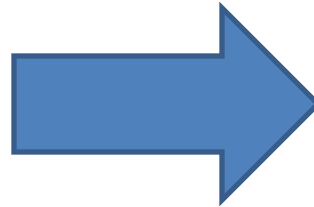
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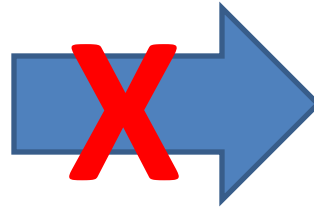


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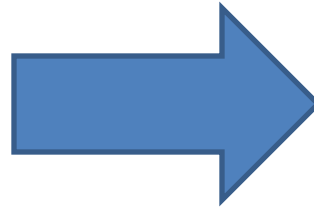




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# Where We Run into Problems...



Looks great, but won't



# Where We Run into Problems...



*Limited  
applicability*

# Where We Run into Problems...



Inappropriate  
adaptation



# Ultimately leading to...



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