Cortisol level testing

Hotel tests procedure

Preamble

Testers are informed that:

- 1. Those professional athletes, by the intermediate of their sports group, voluntarily agree to go beyond what's imposed by laws and official regulations.
- 2. The biologic test to be achieved is a medical test and has no punishing purpose (anti-doping).
- 3. The population to be tested is aware of the sanitary purpose but is very attached to **the regularity and the good execution of the procedure**.

Respecting:

- Individuals
- Confidentiality
- 4. Testing must be performed between 6.30am and 9am. The results of test performed before or after this time window will not be conserved.

The rider receives a sample receipt.

- 5. In case of an abnormal result (cortisol level under the lower limit of the used automaton), this is triggered under the authority of the doctor in charge of the rider:
 - Medical contraindication of sport practice with immediate effect,
 - No start of the next day's competition,
 - An 8-days stop.

At the hotel

- 1. <u>Team managers</u> (Sports directors and doctor if they are present) are informed of this operation around an hour before the arrival of the first tester and <u>must warn the hotel's desk of the testers' arrival.</u> Team supervisors must keep their phones on.
 - Riders are designated by their names and their bib numbers. In case of any change, the bib number prevails.
- 2. A **team's bedroom** (sports director/doctor) must be the testing place.

Testing should never be performed in a public room (breakfast room, hall...).

- 3. Riders must:
 - Justify their identity and show their license to the tester
 - Provide the filled information sheet
- 4. Blood testing procedure and the tubes' transport must respect the legal obligations that apply to certified laboratories:
 - Tubes' identification
 - Confidentiality
 - Secure and confidential tubes' transport