

## First Steps for using the LAD software

Before the LAD software can be used for the first time some general settings need to be completed. Below you will find a short introduction to these settings. For more detailed information please use **Help** for that respective feature. This can be accomplished by either pressing **F1** (content sensitive) or by choosing the menu item **Help** (under **?**).

### *1. Installing software interface(s):*

When the program is started for the first time there will appear a window for the software interface(s) installation. Enable the checkbox for the instrument(s) that are connected to your computer for which the data should be transferred to LAD. This setup information can also be changed at any time via the menu item "**System / Install software interface(s)**".

### *2. Definition of COM port for each instrument:*

The LAD software needs to know the COM port setting of each instrument connected to your computer. This can be done by choosing the **Device Manager** (Menu item "**System / Device Manager**"). Select the line with the instrument that should be configured, click on "**Configure**" and then choose the appropriate COM port.

### *3. Creating customers and patients:*

Before measurement information can be saved in LAD the following information needs to be created:

Customer (pet owner)

Patient (pet)

To do this, choose "**Data / Create new customer**".

### *4. Requesting a measurement:*

Each measurement must be assigned to a request. This offers a better overview and prevents incorrect assignments when several measurements are performed. There are two different ways to create a request. The first is within the customer screen and the other is within the patient screen.

### *5. Starting transfer:*

To start the communication between LAD and the connected instruments you need to choose "**Transfer / Start**". If this menu item is not active you have to close any opened screens first (e. g. customer screen). Afterwards the transfer screen appears and will show a small window for each configured instrument.

Now measurements can be transferred from all connected instruments that are properly configured.

If you have more questions, please refer to the **Help** menu or contact the LAD software development team via e-mail at:

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