

Setup: Slovakia

AV = assigned value

CVE = consensus of the experts

&gt;&gt;&gt; ... expected result

&gt; ... acceptable result

± ... result not assessed

N<sub>tot</sub> = total number of the resultsN<sub>rel</sub> = relative number of the resultsN<sub>eva</sub> = number of the results assessedN<sub>suc</sub> = number of successful resultsS<sub>rel</sub> = relative success

Sample Test Group	Frequency of the results				Success		
	AV	N <sub>tot</sub>	N <sub>rel</sub> [%]	Result	N <sub>eva</sub>	N <sub>suc</sub>	S <sub>rel</sub> [%]

**Sample A****(921) WBC - morphology**

All results	>	2	13	No changes			
		1	6,3	Giant bands and metamyelocytes			
		4	25	Agranulation			
		1	6,3	Neutrophil hypersegmentation			
		4	25	Hyposegmentation / asegmentation / pelgeroid			
		6	38	Atypical/reactive/pathological monocytes/promono.			
		5	31	Denuded nuclei/cells, nuclear shadows / smudge cells			
	>	5	31	Vacuolisation			
		2	13	Lymphocytes - reactive forms			
		3	19	Lymphocytes - atypical forms (except "hairy")			
		1	6,3	Nucleus fragments of neutrophiles			

**(922) WBC - count changes (relative)**

All results			1	6,3	Normal count		
	CVE >>>	12	75	Neutrophilia			
		1	6,3	Lymphocytosis			
	CVE >>>	14	88	Lymphocytopenia			
	>	4	25	Monocytosis			
		1	6,3	Monocytopenia			
		2	13	Left shift			

**(923) RBC - morphology**

All results			3	19	Normocytosis		
	CVE >>>	15	94	Anisocytosis			
	CVE >>>	11	69	Poikilocytosis			
	CVE >>>	12	75	Eliptocytes, ovalocytes			
		1	6,3	Spherocytes			
		1	6,3	Stomatocytes			
	CVE >>>	12	75	Dacryocytes			
	CVE >>>	12	75	Acanthocytes			
	CVE >>>	3	19	Echinocytes			
	CVE >>>	10	63	Schistocytes (and other fragmentocytes)			
	>	3	19	Polychromasia			
	>	6	38	Hypochromia			
		3	19	Basophilic stippling			
		1	6,3	Rouleaux formation			

**(924) Platelets - morphology**

All results			4	25	No changes		
	CVE >>>	11	69	Large platelets			
		2	13	Small platelets			
		1	6,3	Platelet aggregates			

**(925) Clinical recommendation - smear assessment**

All results	CVE >>>	15	94	Blood smear is pathological			
		1	6,3	Blood smear within physiological limits or with reactive changes			

**(926) Clinical recommendation - examination**

All results	CVE >>>	15	94	An examination by the specialist/haematologist is recommended			
		1	6,3	An examination by the specialist/haematologist is not necessary			

**(927) Estimation of diagnosis**

All results	>	5	31	Anemia: Without closer determination			
	>	5	31	Anemia: Normocytosis			
		2	13	Anemia: Hypochromia			
	CVE >>>	9	56	Myelodysplastic syndrome: Myelodysplastic syndrome			
		1	6,3	Chronic myeloproliferative disease: CML (chronic myelogenous leukaemia)			
		2	13	Chronic myeloproliferative disease: Myelofibrosis			
		2	13	Other: Other disease			

**(928) How do you rate the technical quality of the smear?**

All results	±	15	94	Acceptable			
	±	1	6,3	Not acceptable (give a reason)			

Sample Test Group	Frequency of the results				Success		
	AV	N <sub>tot</sub>	N <sub>rel</sub> [%]	Result	N <sub>eva</sub>	N <sub>suc</sub>	S <sub>rel</sub> [%]
(929) <b>How do you rate the staining of the smear?</b>		16			0		
All results	±	16	100	Acceptable			
(939) <b>Overall assessment</b>		16			16	14	88
Maximum score achievable: 111 points				Criterion (60 % out of the maximum): 67 points			
Minimum score achieved: 39 points (35,1 %)							
Maximum score achieved: 110 points (99,1 %)							
All results		2	13	Unacceptable result			
	>>>	14	88	Correct result			

**Sample B**(921) **WBC - morphology**

All results		2	13	No changes			
		1	6,3	Agranulation			
	>	6	38	Neutrophil hypersegmentation			
		1	6,3	Atypical/reactive/pathological monocytes/promono.			
CVE	>>>	12	75	Denuded nuclei/cells, nuclear shadows / smudge cells			
	>	4	25	Vacuolisation			
		4	25	LGL/big lymphocytes			
		6	38	Lymphocytes - reactive forms			
CVE	>>>	4	25	Lymphocytes - atypical forms (except "hairy")			

(922) **WBC - count changes (relative)**

All results	CVE	>>>	13	81	Normal count		
			2	13	Basophilia		
			1	6,3	Monocytosis		

(923) **RBC - morphology**

All results		5	31	No changes			
	CVE	>>>	11	69	Normocytosis		
		1	6,3	Anisocytosis			
		1	6,3	Spherocytes			
		4	25	Stomatocytes			
CVE	>>>	6	38	Hypochromia			
		1	6,3	Rouleaux formation			

(924) **Platelets - morphology**

All results		2	13	No changes			
	>	4	25	Large platelets			
CVE	>>>	14	88	Platelet aggregates			
		2	13	Platelets hypogranulation			
		1	6,3	Megakaryocytic nucleus fragments			

(925) **Clinical recommendation - smear assessment**

All results	CVE	>>>	6	38	Blood smear is pathological		
			10	63	Blood smear within physiological limits or with reactive changes		

(926) **Clinical recommendation - examination**

All results	CVE	>>>	9	56	An examination by the specialist/haematologist is recommended		
			7	44	An examination by the specialist/haematologist is not necessary		

(927) **Estimation of diagnosis**

All results	CVE	>>>	2	13	Mature lymphocytic cells neoplasms: Exact determination impossible		
	CVE	>>>	3	19	Mature lymphocytic cells neoplasms: CLL (chronic lymphocytic leukaemia)		
			4	25	Platelets disorders: Thrombocytopenia		
			4	25	Platelets disorders: Other		
			10	63	Other: Other reactive changes		
			2	13	Other: Other disease		

(928) **How do you rate the technical quality of the smear?**

All results	±	15	94	Acceptable			
	±	1	6,3	Not acceptable (give a reason)			

(929) **How do you rate the staining of the smear?**

All results	±	16	100	Acceptable			0
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## EQA round: DIF3/23 - Peripheral Blood Morphology Evaluation

Deadline: 15.9.2023

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Sample Test Group	Frequency of the results			Success			
	AV	N <sub>tot</sub>	N <sub>rel</sub> [%]	Result	N <sub>eva</sub>	N <sub>suc</sub>	S <sub>rel</sub> [%]
(939) Overall assessment		16			16	12	75
Maximum score achievable: 87 points				Criterion (60 % out of the maximum): 53 points			
Minimum score achieved: 35 points (40,2 %)							
Maximum score achieved: 79 points (90,8 %)							
All results		4	25	Unacceptable result			
	>>>	12	75	Correct result			

## Summary for all samples

(939) Overall assessment	16	16	11	69
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