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Haematology and Serology Participants

4 August 2025

Dear Lab Manager

Extra Haematology and Serology Samples for Sample Evaluation

Regarding the aberrant counting result of white blood cell count for samples HS2512, HS2521 and HS2522 delivered in February and May 2025, HKIMLSQAP would like to carry out an evaluation study on the sample integrity of the purchased proficiency testing material. We would like to seek your assistance in the study so to facilitate us to source a more reliable proficiency testing samples. Two extra Haematology and Serology samples (HS253A and HS253B) will be dispatched with the August Survey (2025) samples material.

Your laboratory is free to participate in this study. To submit results for the two extra samples (HS253A and HS253B), please enter the results into the excel file, name the file in the format of HS253AB-XXXX (XXXX- is the assigned laboratory code) and email the file to info@hkimlsqap.org before 19 August 2025.

Thank you for your support of the Haematology and Serology Programme.

Yours Sincerely

Albert LI
Chairman
HKIMLSQAP
2025-2026

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Extra Sample for Evaluation Study

INSTRUCTION

1. In the package there are two **extra samples** for complete blood count (CBC) HS253A and HS 253B.
2. Upon receipt of the package, put the two samples immediately into a refrigerator at 2-8°C until analysis.
3. Consider the survey materials as potentially infectious and take standard biosafety measures when handling and disposing the materials.
4. Blood samples for CBC, when removed from the refrigerator, should be allowed to stand and equilibrate to 23±5°C for 15 minutes. Do not shake or mix cold blood samples on a mechanical mixer. Swirl tubes between hand palms to thoroughly re-suspend the blood samples and gently invert tubes 8 to 10 times immediately before analysis.
5. Process and test survey samples as patient specimens using your updated in-house analytical procedures.
6. Enter survey results into the **excel file which has been sent together with the notification email on 4 August 2025**.
7. Save the excel file with file name in the format of HS235AB-XXXX (XXXX is the assigned laboratory code) to info@hkinmlqap.org before 19 August 2025 .
8. DO NOT send harcopy of the result.
9. Do not forward any particulars of your laboratory except the assigned confidential Laboratory Code.
10. For further enquiry, please contact HKIMLSQAP Ltd.
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