

Scheme 2012, Assessment Run 34

Aalborg, 14th January 2012

Dear participant

In the package sent by 14th January, please find enclosed pairs of unstained sections according to your submitted protocols. If you are in any doubt, please read the details on the website: www.nordiqc.org, or send us an e-mail: nordiqc@rn.dk. Also inform us if slides are missing.

Please note your three digit participant number (NQC...) shown on the address label and slides. This number **must** be indicated on all new slide labels and used for any communication with NordiQC.

Stain the sections according to your protocol (only one protocol for each marker), and return for *each* marker one stained slide together with your own (in-house) control slide - marked with your participant number - to NordiQC at the above address not later than **6th February**. Keep the remaining NordiQC slides in your file to serve as a control set.

Submitted sections (including in-house controls) are stored in the NordiQC file for future documentation and will not be returned to the laboratories. However, the laboratories can request their stained sections for review in case their control set is lost.

The general results are communicated on the website about 7th April. Examples of optimal as well as insufficient stains will be illustrated (anonymously) and the corresponding methods described. The origin of recommended protocols giving optimal results will be published, unless anonymity is requested. Monographs describing the relevant epitopes and the expected staining patterns are available on the website.

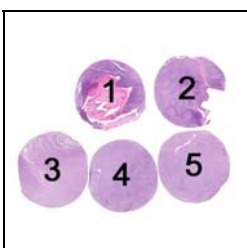
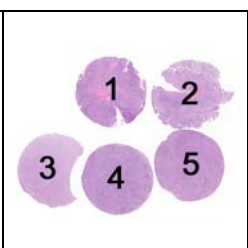

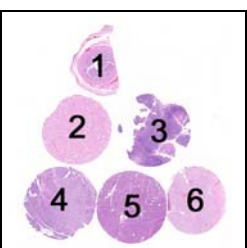
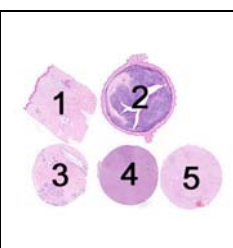
About 7th April each laboratory will receive an e-mail with their individual assessment scores and (particularly in case of borderline or poor marks) comments to the stains and suggestions for protocol improvement.

Best regards,

NordiQC

Contents of the multitissue sections

Top row closest to the glass label.

				
CD5 : 1. Tonsil fixed 24 h. 2. Tonsil fixed 48 h. 3. Mantle cell lymphoma 4 & 5. B-CLL	CD23 : 1. Tonsil fixed 24 h. 2. Tonsil fixed 48 h. 3. Mantle cell lymphoma 4 & 5. B-CLL	CK19 : 1. Thyroid gland 2. Appendix 3. Esophagus 4. Papillary thyroid carc. 5 & 6. Pancreatic neuroendocrine carc.	PAX8 : 1. Salpinx 2. Kidney 3. Tonsil 4. Serosus ovarian carc. 5. Pancreas 6. Renal clear cell carc.	S100 : 1. Skin 2. Appendix 3. Breast hyperplasia 4. Mal. melanoma 5. Schwannoma