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Courtesy: Steve Hamilton-Dutoit Useful antigens in haematopathology Other **CD45 EBV** B-cell 'specific' **CD19** EBNA2 (EBER) **CD20 CD56** CD79a Pax-5 OCT-2 / BOB1 **CD68** T-cell 'specific' **CD163** CD3 Cyclin-D1 CD5 **SOX-11** CD2 **CD56** TIA-1, granzyme, perforin CD1a PD-1/CXCL-13 (TFH)







Primary Panel (CK, S100, VIM, CD45)

Secondary Panels (CKs, CDX2, TTF1, SOX10....)

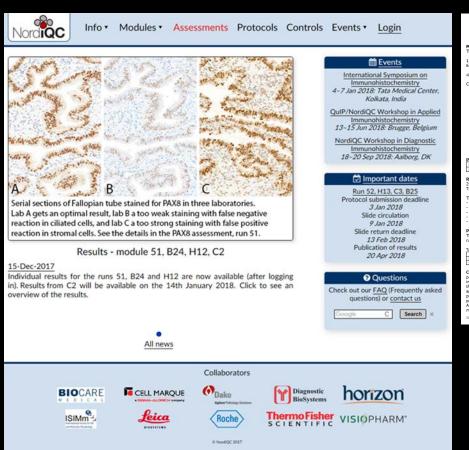


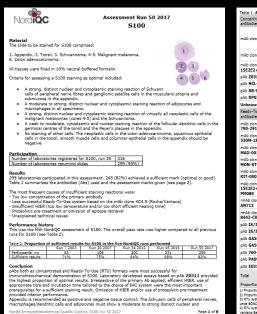


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Concentrated antibodies	п	Vendor	Optimal	Good	Borderline	Poor	Suff. ¹	Suff. OPS ²
mAb clone 4C4.9	2 2 2 1	Immunologic Zytomed Systems Cell Marque Thermo/NeoMarkers	0	3	4	0	43%	-
mAb clone 15E2E2	1	Biogenex Biocare	0	1	1	0	-	-
mAb clone 15E2E2+4C4.9	1	Biocare	0	1	0	0	-	-
pAb Z0311	137	Agilent/Dako	62	60	14	1	89%	97%
pAb NCL-L-S100p	10	Leica/Novocastra	1	6	3	0	70%	1009
pAb RB-9018-P	1	Thermo/NeoMarkers	0	0	1	0		-
pAb RP035	1	Diagnostic Biosystems	0	0	1	0		
Unknown	1		0	1	0	0		-
Ready-To-Use antibodies								
mAb clone 4C4.9 790-2914	36	Roche/Ventana	0	20	16	0	56%	-
mAb clone 4C4.9 330M-18	2	Cell Marque	0	2	0	0		
mAb clone 4C4.9 MAD-001221QD	3	Master Diagnostica	0	2	1	0		-
mAb clone 4C4.9 MON-RTU1191	1	Monosan/Sanbio	0	1	0	0	-	-
mAb clone 4C4.9 KIT-0007	1	Maixin	0	0	1	0	-	
mAb clone 15E2E2+4C4.9 PM089	1	Biocare	0	1	0	0		-
rmAb clone EP32 AN713	1	Biogenex	0	1	0	0		-
rmAb clone EP32 8442-C010	1	Sakura	0	1	0	0		-
pAb IS/IR504	26	Agilent/Dako	0	22	4	0	85%	-
pAb IS/IR504 ²	5	Agilent/Dako	0	5	0	0	100%	-
pAb GA504	21	Agilent/Dako	1	19	1	0	95%	1009
pAb GA504 ⁴	6	Agilent/Dako	3	2	0	1	83%	-
pAb 760-2523	28	Roche/Ventana	0	23	2	3	82%	-
pAb PA0900	6	Leica/Novocastra	0	6	0	0	100%	-
pAb E031	1	Linaris	0	1	0	0		-
Total	299		67	178	49	5	-	
Proportion			23%	59%	16%	2%	82%	

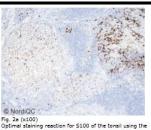


Fig. 2s (x100)
Optimal staining reaction for \$100 of the bonsil using the same protocol as in Fig. 1s. The majority of the interfollicular dendritic and Langerhans cells in the squamous epithelium (crypts) display strong staining reaction, while the follicular dendritic cells in germinal centres show a weak to moderate but distinct nuclear and cryptoplasmic staining reaction - compare with Fig. 2D.

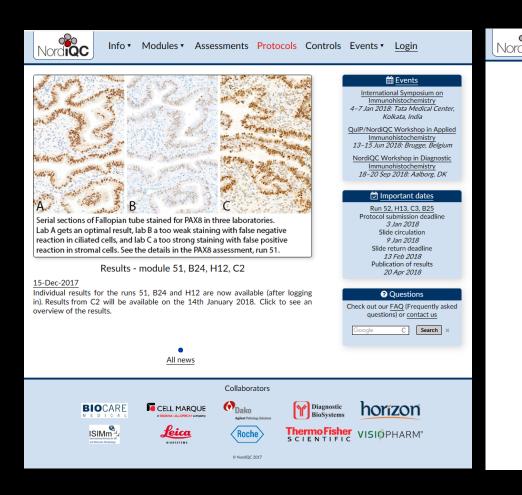


Fig. 2b (x100)
Insufficient staining reaction for \$100 of the tonsil using same protocol as in Fig. 1b - same field as in Fig. 2a. The proportion of positive cells and the intensity of the staining reaction are significantly reduced.



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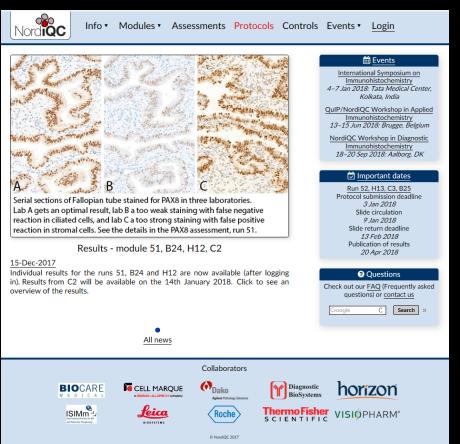


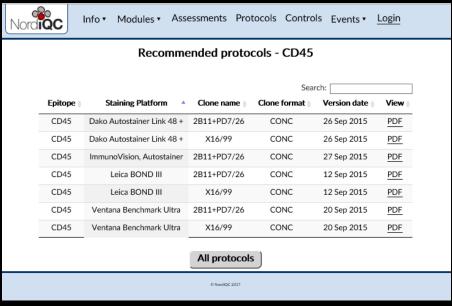
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	ALK (lung)	Anaplastic lymphoma kinase	<u>32</u>	Link						
	AMACR	α-methylacyl-CoA racemase	<u>11</u>	Link						
	ASMA	Alpha-Smooth Muscle Actin	<u>6</u>	<u>Link</u>						
	BSAP	B-cell specific activator protein	<u>7</u>	Link						
	Bcl-2	Bcl-2 protein	<u>6</u>	<u>Link</u>						
	Bcl-6	Bcl-6 protein	<u>6</u>	Link						
	<u>CA125</u>	Cancer Antigen 125	<u>5</u>	<u>Link</u>						
	CD3	CD3	<u>10</u>	Link						
	CD4	CD4	9	Link						
	CD5	CD5	<u>11</u>	Link						
	<u>CD10</u>	CD10	4	Link						
	<u>CD15</u>	CD15	9	Link						
	<u>CD19</u>	CD19	<u>3</u>	Link						
	<u>CD20</u>	CD20	<u>4</u>	Link						
	<u>CD23</u>	CD23	<u>15</u>	Link						
	CD30	CD30	18	Link						
	<u>CD31</u>	CD31	8	<u>Link</u>						
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	<u>CD56</u>	CD56	<u>6</u>	Link						
	CD68	CD68	<u>4</u>	Link						



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Nordic Immunohistochemical Quality Control

Institute of Pathology, Aalborg University Hospital, Ladegaardsgade 3, P.O.Box 581, DK-9100 Aalborg, Denmark

Recommended protocol for CD45

Obtained in run

26 Sep 2015

Immunostainer

Type: Dako Autostainer Link 48 +

Primary antibody

 Clone:
 2B11+PD7/26

 Producer:
 Dako

 Product no. / lot no.:
 M0701 / NS

 Diluent:
 Antibody Diluent

Dilution factor: 1:200

Incubation time / temperature: 30 min. / 20°C

Epitope retrieval, HIER

Device: PT-link / PT-module
Buffer: Dako TRS High pH (3-1)

Heating time at max. temp.: 20 min. Maximum heating temp.: 97°C

Visualization system

Producer: Dako

Product / no: EnVision FLEX / K8000/SM802

Linker: None
Incubation time polymer: 20 min.
Incubation temperature: 20°C

Chromogen

Producer: Dako

Product / no: DAB+ / DM827 / DM823 / K800

Incubation time / temperature: 10 min. / 20°C

Enhancement: None

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Nordic Immunohistochemical Quality Control

Institute of Pathology, Aalborg University Hospital, Ladegaardsgade 3, P.O.Box 561, DK-9100 Aalborg, Denmark

Recommended protocol for CD45

Obtained in run

12 Sep 2015

Immunostainer

Type: Leica BOND III

Primary antibody

Clone: 2B11+PD7/26

Producer: Dako

Product no. / lot no.: M0701 / 00062209
Diluent: Bond Antibody Diluent

Dilution factor: 1:350

Incubation time / temperature: 15 min. / 20°C

Epitope retrieval, HIER

Device: On Board / On Machin

Buffer: Leica Bond Epitope Retrieval Solution 2

Heating time at max. temp.: 20 min.

Maximum heating temp.: 100°C

Visualization system

Producer: Leica

Product / no: Bond Refine / DS9800

Incubation time linker: 8 min.
Incubation time polymer: 8 min.
Incubation temperature: 20°C

Chromogen

Producer: Leica

Product / no: Bond Refine / DS9800

Incubation time / temperature: 10 min. / 20°C

Enhancement: None

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1' panel	Recommendable clones (conc.)	Less successful clones (conc.)	RTU "plug and play" giving optimal result
CK-PAN	mAb AE1/AE3 mAb AE1/AE3/5D3 mAb BS5	mAb C-11 mAb KL1* mAb Lu-5 mAb MNF116 mAb "Oscar"	Dako: mAb AE1/AE3 VMS: mAb AE1/AE3/PCK26
CD45	mAb 2B11+PD7/26 mAb X1699		Dako: mAb 2B11+PD7/26 Leica: mAb X1699
S100(B)	pAbs (e.g. Z0311)	mAb 15E2E2 mAb 4C7	
VIM	mAb V9 mAb 3B4 rmAb SP20		Dako: mAb V9 VMS: mAb V9

^{*} Discontinued



1' panel	Positive tissue control HE*	Positive tissue control LE**	Negative tissue control NE***	
CK-PAN	Liver: Epithelial cells of bile ducts	Liver: Hepatocytes	Liver: Stroma	
CRTAIN	Tonsil: Squamous epithelial cells	Tonsil: Squamous epithelial cells	Tonsil: Lymphocytes	
CD45	Tonsil: T- and B-cells	Liver: Kupffer cells	Tonsil: Epithelial cells	
	101101111111111111111111111111111111111	Elveli itapiie. eee	Liver: Hepatocytes	
S100(B)	Appendix: Nerves	Tonsil: Germinal centre dendritic cells#	Appendix: Epithelial cells	
VIM	Appendix: Endothelial cells	Appendix: Intra-epithelial T-cells	Appendix: Epithelial cells	

* HE = High expression

** LE = Low expression

*** NE = No expression

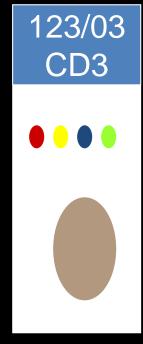
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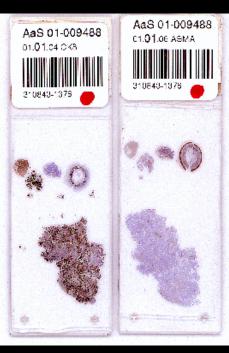


"Ideal" daily on-slide control for the

majority of routine markers:

Appendix Liver Pancreas Tonsil



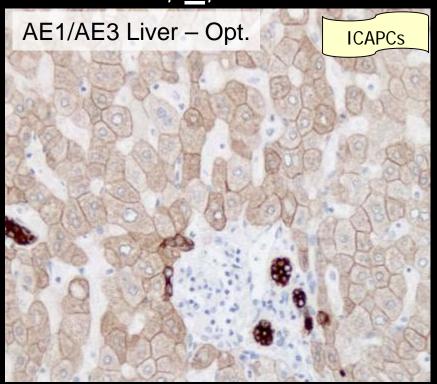


Each slide stained and evaluated has essential information of the obtained sensitivity and specificity

In contrast only using 1 external tissue run control, no information is available for the single slide evaluated,

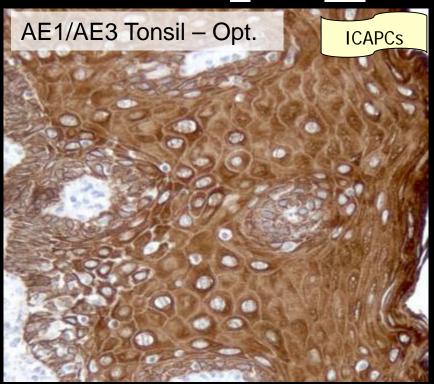


CK LMW types AE1/AE3: 7, **8**, 19



A strong, distinct cytoplasmic staining reaction of all bile ductal epithelial cells and at least a moderate cytoplasmic staining reaction withmembrane accentuation of the vast majority of hepatocytes.

CK HMW types AE1/AE3: 1, 4, **5**, 10, **14**



A strong, distinct cytoplasmic staining reaction of virtually all squamous epithelial cells throughout all cell layers.





Assessment Run 47 2016 Pan Cytokeratin (CK-PAN)

Material

The slide to be stained for CK-PAN comprised:

Esophagus, 2. Liver, 3. Small cell lung carcinoma (SCLC), 4. Tonsil,
 Lung adenocarcinoma, 6. Lung squamous cell carcinoma, 7. Renal clear cell carcinoma (RCC).

Criteria for assessing a CK-PAN staining as optimal were:

- A strong, distinct cytoplasmic staining reaction of all bile ductal epithelial cells and at least a moderate cytoplasmic staining reaction with membrane accentuation of the vast majority of hepatocytes.
- A strong, distinct cytoplasmic staining reaction of all squamous epithelial cells throughout all cell layers in the esophagus.
- A strong, distinct cytoplasmic staining reaction of the majority of neoplastic cells in the lung adenocarcinoma and squamous cell carcinoma.
- An at least moderate, distinct cytoplasmic, dot-like staining reaction of the majority of neoplastic cells in the SCLC.
- An at least weak to moderate, distinct cytoplasmic and membranous staining reaction of the majority of neoplastic cells in the RCC.

All tissues were fixed in 10% neutral buffered formalin.

Participation

	Number of laboratories registered for CK-PAN, run 47	298
ı	Number of laboratories returning slides	276 (93%)

Results

276 laboratories participated in this assessment. One laboratory used an inappropriate antibody (CK-HMW). Of the remaining 275 laboratories, 72% achieved a sufficient mark. Table 1 summarizes the antibodies (Abs) used and assessment marks (see page 2).

The most frequent causes of insufficient staining were:

- Too low concentration of the primary antibody
- Insufficient HIER too short efficient heating time and/or use of non-alkaline HIER buffers
- Inappropriate epitope retrieval
- Less successful primary antibodies.

Performance history

This was the eighth NordiQC assessment of CK-PAN. The overall pass rate was slightly improved compared to previous runs performed, as shown in table 2.

Table 2 Proportion of sufficient results for CK-DAN in the eight NordiOC runs performed

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	Run 8 2003	Run 15 2005	Run 20 2008	Run 24 2008	Run 30 2010	Run 36 2012	Run 41 2014	Run 47 2016		
Participants, n=	72	85	103	123	168	202	233	275		
Sufficient results	53%	58%	62%	60%	65%	65%	67%	72%		

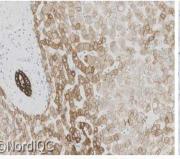


Fig. 1a. Optimal staining for CK-Pan of the liver based on HIER and the mAb clone cocktail AEI/AE3. The majority of the hepatocytes show a distinct, moderate to strong staining with membrane enhancement, while the columnar epithelial cells of the bile duct show a strong cytoplasmic

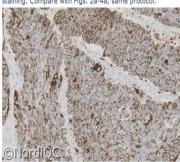


Fig. 2a. Optimal CK-pan staining of the small cell lung carcinoma using same protocol as in Figs. 1a, 3a and 4a. The majority of the neoplastic cells show a moderate, distinct dot-like cytoplasmic staining.



Fig. 1b. Insufficient CK-Pan staining of the liver, using an efficient HIER and Ab clone KL1 but applying the Ab in a too low concentration - same field as in Fig. 1a. Only the epithelial cells of the bile duct are demonstrated, while the hepatocytes are unstained. Compare with Figs. 2b-4b,

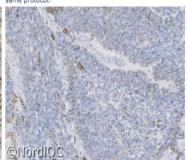


Fig. 2b. Insufficient CK-Pan staining of the small cell lung carcinoma using same protocol as in Figs. 1b, 3b and 4b - same field as in Fig. 2a. Only scattered neoplastic cells show a weak staining reaction. Also compare with Figs. 3b. & 4b., same protocol.

Too weak or false negative result is most commonly observed in the insufficient results.

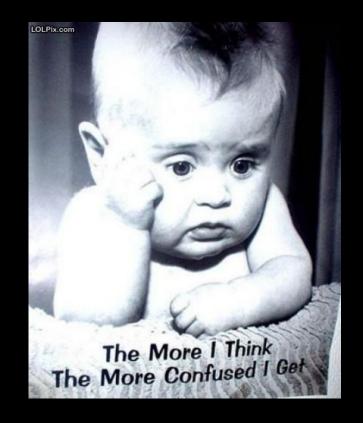


Table	1.	Antibodies	and	assessment	marks	for	CK-I	PAN,	run 4	7

Concentrated antibodies	n	Vendor	Optimal	Good	Borderline	Poor	Suff.1	Suff. OPS ²
	85	Dako/Agilent	33	28	17	7	72%	83%
	11	Thermo/NeoMarkers	2	3	4	2	45%	100%
	5	Cell Marque	0	3	0	2	60%	-
	5	Leica/Novocastra	1	0	3	1	20%	50%
	3	Biocare	1	2	0	0	-	-
mAb clone cocktail AE1/AE3	2	Zytomed	0	2	0	0	-	-
	1	Biosystems	1	0	0	0	-	-
	1	Genemed	0	1	0	0	-	-
	1	Gennova	0	1	0	0	-	-
	1	Immunologic	0	0	0	0	-	-
	1	Millipore Monosan	0	0	0	0	-	
mAb clone cocktail	1	Linaris	0	0	0	1	-	
AE1/AE3/ks 13.2 mAb clone cocktail	2	Biocare	·	-	-			
AE1/AE3/5D3	1	Zytomed	1	2	0	0	-	-
mAb clone cocktail PAN CK Ab-2	1	Thermo/NeoMarkers	0	1	0	0	-	-
mAb clone BS5	1	Monosan Nordic Biosite	2	0	0	0	-	-
mAb clone C-11	1	Leica/Novocastra	0	0	0	1	-	-
mAb clone Lu-5	2	Immunologic	0	0	1	1	-	-
mAb clone MNF116	7	Dako/Agilent	0	0	4	3	0%	-
mAb clone OSCAR	1	Signet "In-house"	0	2	0	0	-	-
Unknown	3		1	1	0	1	-	-
"Laboratory made" antibody cocktails								
mAb clone cocktail AE1/AE3/5D3	2	Leica/Novocastra & Milipore	1	1	0	0	-	-
mAb clone cocktail AE1/AE3/5D3	1	Leica/Novocastra	1	0	0	0	-	-
mAb clone cocktail AE1AE3/CAM5.2	1	Dako/Agilent & BD	1	0	0	0	-	-
Ready-To-Use antibodies								
mAb clone cocktail AE1/AE3 IR053	36	Dako/Agilent	28	5	2	1	92%	95%
mAb clone cocktail AE1/AE3 GA053	19	Dako/Agilent	18	0	1	0	95%	100%
mAb clone cocktail AE1/AE3 313M-18	3	Cell Marque	0	1	0	2	-	-
mAb clone cocktail AE1/AE3 MAD 001000QD	1	Master Diagnostica	1	0	0	0	-	-
mAb clone cocktail AE1/AE3 Kit-0009	1	Maixin	1	0	0	0	-	-
mAb clone cocktail AE1/AE3 PA0909	5	Leica/Novocastra	0	1	3	1	20%	-
mAb clone cocktail AE1/AE3 RTU-AE1/AE3	2	Leica/Novocastra	0	0	2	0	-	-
mAb clone cocktail AE1/AE3/5D3 IP162	2	Biocare	1	1	0	0	-	-
mAb clone cocktail AE1/AE3/PCK26 760-2135/2595	62	Ventana/Roche	37	8	5	12	73%	96%
mAb clone cocktail EP24/EP67/B22.1/B23.1 MAD-000680QD	2	Master Diagnostica	0	2	0	0	-	-
Total	275		132	65	43	35	-	
Proportion			48%	24%	16%	12%	72%	
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Clone/Retrieval/Titre/Control

Too many choices Misleading datasheets



Proportion of sufficient stains (optimal or good).

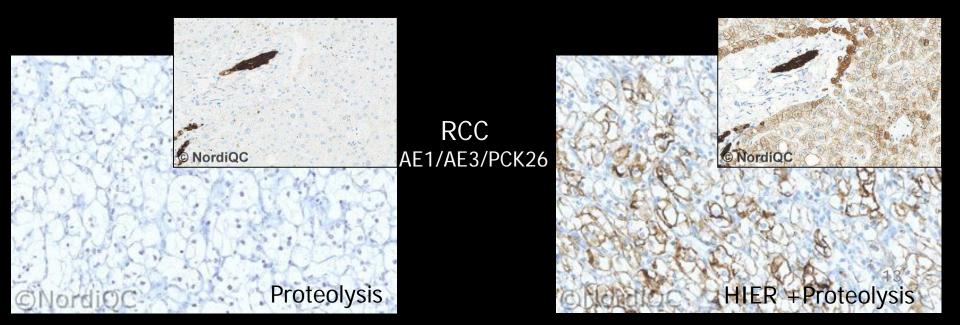
2) Proportion of sufficient stains with optimal protocol settings only, see below.



Clone/Retrieval//Titre/Control

Table 4. Pass rates for antibody cocktails combined with epitope retrieval methods in seven NordiQC runs

Pass rate for run 15, 20, 24, 30, 36, 41 & 47								
	Т	Total		HIER		Proteolysis		roteolysis
	Protocols	Sufficient	Protocols	Sufficient	Protocols	Sufficient	Protocols	Sufficient
mAb AE1/AE3	752	542 (72%)	693	535 (77%)	44	5 (11%)	5	2 (40%)
mAb AE1/AE3/5D3	37	34 (92%)	36	34 (94%)	1	0	0	0
mAb AE1/AE3/PCK26	176	105 (60%)	25	13 (48%)	34	0	117	92 (79%)
mAb MNF116	91	30 (33%)	40	9 (23%)	47	21 (45%)	4	2 (50%)





Performance history

This was the eighth NordiQC assessment of CK-PAN. The overall pass rate was slightly improved compared to previous runs performed, as shown in table 2.

Table 2. Proportion of sufficient results for CK-PAN in the eight NordiQC runs performed

Table 2. Freps.	Run 8 2003	Dun 15	Run 20 2008	Run 24 2008	Run 30 2010	Run 36 2012	Run 41 2014	Run 47 2016
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Misleading data sheets

Wrong control material used

AE1/AE3: Optimal results only obtained by HIER in NordiQC runs

Dako: RTU – HIER Conc: Proteolysis or HIER

Leica: RTU – Proteolysis Conc: HIER

Thermo: Conc: HIER Quanto – Proteolysis UltraVision

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AE1/AE3/PCK26: Optimal results mainly obtained by HIER+protelysis in NordiQC runs

VMS: RTU - Proteolysis

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STAINING PROCEDURE

VENTANA primary antibodies have been developed for use on the VENTANA BenchMark ULTRA. BenchMark XT and BenchMark GX automated slide stainers in combination with VENTANA detection kits and accessories. Refer to Table 1 for recommended staining protocols.

This antibody has been optimized for specific incubation times, but the user must validate results obtained with this reagent.

The parameters for the automated procedures can be displayed, printed and edited according to the procedure in the instruments Operator's Manual. Refer to the appropriate VENTANA detection kit package insert for more details regarding immunohistochemistry staining procedures.

Table 1. Recommended Staining Protocol for Anti-Pan Keratin (AE1/AE3/PCK26) with ultraView Universal DAB Detection Kit on a BenchMark ULTRA instrument, BenchMark XT instrument or BenchMark GX instrument.

Procedure Type	Method
Deparaffinization	Selected
Cell Conditioning (Antigen Unmasking)	Cell Conditioning 1, Mild
Enzyme (Protease)	Protease 3, 4 minutes
Antibody (Primary)	BenchMark ULTRA instrument 8 minutes, 36°C BenchMark XT instrument 8 minutes, 37°C BenchMark GX instrument 4 minutes, 37°C
ultraBlock	*VENTANA Antibody Diluent with Casein, 4 minutes
Counterstain	Hematoxylin II, 4 minutes
Post Counterstain	Bluing, 4 minutes

^{*}Use of VENTANA Antibody Diluent with Casein (Cat. No. 760-219/06440002001) at the ultraBlock step is recommended to reduce staining on smooth muscle.

> Pan Keratin (AE1/AE3/PCK26) Primary Antibody

anti-Pan Keratin (AE1/AE3/PCK26) Primary Antibody



Catalog Number: Ordering Code: **Ouantity:** Controls: Isotypes:

Intestine, Live IgG: Clone Name AE1/AE3 & PCK26 Species: Mouse Localization Cytoplasmic Regulatory Status: IVD

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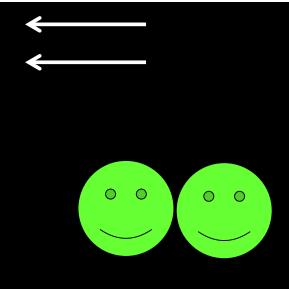
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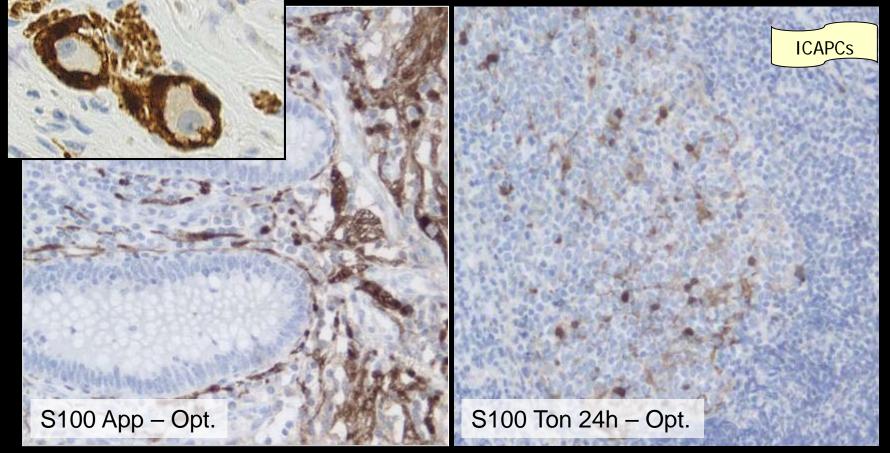
This antibody is intended for in vitro diagnostic use. Ventana Medical Systems, Inc. (Ventana) anti-Pan Keratin (AE1/AE3/PCK26) Primary Antibody may be used to aid in the identification of normal and abnormal epithelial cells and to determine the lineage of poorly differentiated malignant tumors. The keratins are a group of intermediate filament proteins that occur in normal and neoplastic cells of epithelial origin. Nineteen human cytokeratins are known which are divided into acidic and basic subfamilies. They occur in pairs in epithelial tissues, the composition of pairs varying with the epithelial cell type, stage of differentiation, cellular growth environment, and disease state. This pan keratin cocktail recognizes most of the acidic and all of the basic cytokeratins, making it a useful stain for nearly all epithelial tissues and their tumors. Anti-Pan Keratin (AE1/AE3/PCK26) specifically binds to antigens located in the cytoplasm of simple and complex epithelial cells. The antibody is intended for laboratory use to qualitatively stain cytokeratins in sections of formalin fixed, paraffin embedded tissue on a Ventana automated slide stainer. Anti-Pan Keratin (AE1/AE3/PCK26) contains a mouse monoclonal antibody cocktail raised against an epitope found on human epidermal keratins as reported by Woodcock-Mitchell, et al.1 This antibody cocktail reacts with the 56.5kD, 50kD, 50'kD, 48kD, and 40kD cytokeratins of the acidic subfamily and 65-67kD, 64kD, 59kD, 58kD, 56kD, and 52kD cytokeratins of the basic subfamily.1.2.3.4.5 Unexpected antigen expression or loss of expression may occur, especially in neoplasms. Occasionally stromal elements surrounding heavily stained tissue and or cells will show immunoreactivity. The clinical interpretation of any staining, or the absence of staining, must be complemented by morphological studies and evaluation of proper controls. Evaluation must be made by a qualified pathologist within the context of the patient's clinical history and other diagnostic tests. Caution: U.S. Federal law restricts this device to sale by or on the order of a physician.



Cytokeratin (Pan) MSDS/SDS Package Inserts







A strong, distinct nuclear and cytoplasmic staining reaction of the macrophages in lamina propria, the Schwann cells of the peripheral nerve fibres and the ganglionic satellite cells in the muscularis propria and submucosa in the appendix. The epithelial cells and muscle cells should be negative.

An at least weak but distinct nuclear and cytoplasmic staining reaction of the follicular dendritic cells in the germinal centres (most likely due to reaction to S100A and thus mainly seen for pAbs to S100).



Assessment Run 50 2017 S100

Material

The slide to be stained for S100 comprised:

- 1. Appendix, 2. Tonsil, 3. Schwannoma, 4-5. Malignant melanoma,
- 6. Colon adenocarcinoma.

All tissues were fixed in 10% neutral buffered formalin.

Criteria for assessing a S100 staining as optimal included:



- A strong, distinct nuclear and cytoplasmic staining reaction of Schwann cells of peripheral nerve fibres and ganglionic satellite cells in the muscularis propria and submucosa in the appendix.
- A moderate to strong, distinct nuclear and cytoplasmic staining reaction of adipocytes and macrophages in all specimens.
- A strong, distinct nuclear and cytoplasmic staining reaction of virtually all neoplastic cells of the malignant melanomas (cores 4-5) and the Schwannoma.
- A weak to moderate, cytoplasmic and nuclear staining reaction of the follicular dendritic cells in the germinal centres of the tonsil and the Peyer's plaques in the appendix.
- No staining of other cells. The neoplastic cells in the colon adenocarcinoma, squamous epithelial
 cells in the tonsil, smooth muscle cells and columnar epithelial cells in the appendix should be
 negative.

Particination

Number of laboratories registered for S100, run 50	316
Number of laboratories returning slides	299 (95%)

Results

299 laboratories participated in this assessment. 245 (82%) achieved a sufficient mark (optimal or good). Table 1 summarizes the antibodies (Abs) used and the assessment marks given (see page 2).

The most frequent causes of insufficient staining reactions were:

- Too low concentration of the primary antibody
- Less successful Ready-To-Use system based on the mAb clone 4C4.9 (Roche/Ventana)
- Insufficient HIER (too low temperature and/or too short efficient heating time)
- Proteolytic pre-treatment or omission of epitope retrieval
- Unexplained technical issues

Performance history

This was the fifth NordiQC assessment of S100. The overall pass rate was higher compared to all previous runs for S100 (see Table 2).

Table 2. Proportion of sufficient results for \$100 in the five NordiOC runs performed

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	Run 7 2003	Run 20 2007	Run 34 2012	Run 45 2015	Run 50 2017				
Participants, n=	63	106	200	251	299				
Sufficient results	71%	75%	64%	68%	82%				

Conclusion

pAbs both as concentrated and Ready-To-Use (RTU) formats were most successful for immunohistochemical demonstration of S100. Laboratory developed assays based on pAb **Z0311** provided the highest proportion of optimal results. Irrespective of the primary Ab applied, efficient HIER, use of appropriate titre and incubation time tailored to the choice of IHC system were the most important prerequisites for a sufficient staining result. Omission of HIER and/or use of proteolytic pre-treatment provided inferior performance.

Appendix is recommended as positive and negative tissue control: The Schwann cells of peripheral nerves, macrophages/dendritic cells and adipocytes must show a moderate to strong distinct nuclear and

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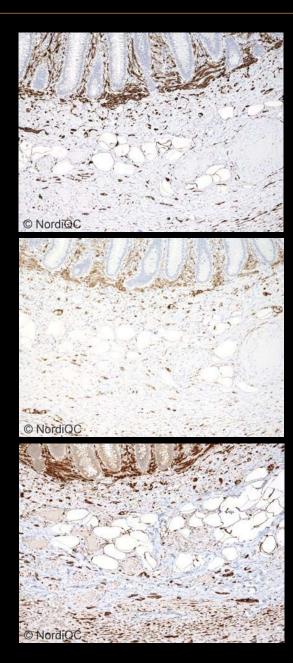




Table 1. Antibodies a	ble 1. Antibodies and assessment marks for S100, run 50							
Concentrated antibodies	n	Vendor	Optimal	Good	Borderline	Poor	Suff.1	Suff. OPS ²
mAb clone 4C4.9	2 2 2 1	Immunologic Zytomed Systems Cell Marque Thermo/NeoMarkers	0	3	4	0	43%	-
mAb clone 15E2E2	1	Biogenex Biocare	0	1	1	0	-	-
mAb clone 15E2E2+4C4.9	1	Biocare	0	1	0	0	-	-
pAb Z0311	137	Agilent/Dako	62	60	14	1	89%	97%
pAb NCL-L-S100p	10	Leica/Novocastra	1	6	3	0	70%	100%
pAb RB-9018-P	1	Thermo/NeoMarkers	0	0	1	0	-	-
pAb RP035	1	Diagnostic Biosystems	0	0	1	0	-	-
Unknown	1	-	0	1	0	0	-	-
Ready-To-Use antibodies								
mAb clone 4C4.9 790-2914	36	Roche/Ventana	0	20	16	0	56%	-
mAb clone 4C4.9 330M-18	2	Cell Marque	0	2	0	0	-	-
mAb clone 4C4.9 MAD-001221QD	3	Master Diagnostica	0	2	1	0	-	-
mAb clone 4C4.9 MON-RTU1191	1	Monosan/Sanbio	0	1	0	0	-	-
mAb clone 4C4.9 KIT-0007	1	Maixin	0	0	1	0	-	-
mAb clone 15E2E2+4C4.9 PM089	1	Biocare	0	1	0	0	-	-
rmAb clone EP32 AN713	1	Biogenex	0	1	0	0	-	-
rmAb clone EP32 8442-C010	1	Sakura	0	1	0	0	-	-
pAb IS/IR504	26	Agilent/Dako	0	22	4	0	85%	-
pAb IS/IR5043	5	Agilent/Dako	0	5	0	0	100%	-
pAb GA504	21	Agilent/Dako	1	19	1	0	95%	100%
pAb GA504 ⁴	6	Agilent/Dako	3	2	0	1	83%	-
pAb 760-2523	28	Roche/Ventana	0	23	2	3	82%	-
pAb PA0900	6	Leica/Novocastra	0	6	0	0	100%	-
pAb E031	1	Linaris	0	1	0	0	-	-
Total	299		67	178	49	5	-	

82% sufficient

If using pAb Z0311 a titre of 1:1.000-4.000 & HIER:

97% sufficient 61% optimal

Prot. / omission:

75% sufficient. 8% optimal.

Proportion

Typically false negative, too weak and/or impaired morphology

¹⁾ Proportion of sufficient stains (optimal or good).

Proportion of sufficient stains with optimal protocol settings only, see below.

³⁾ RTU system developed for the Agilent/Dako semi-automatic system (Autostainer) but used by laboratories on different platforms (e.g. Leica BOND III).

RTU system developed for the Agilent/Dako full-automated systems (Omnis) but used by laboratories on different platforms (e.g. Ventana Benchmark) or manually.



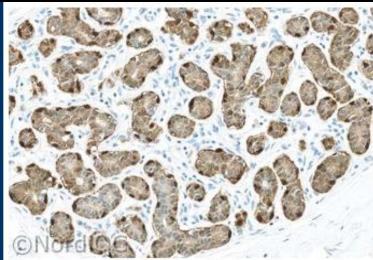


Fig. 3a. Optimal S100 staining of the breast hyperplasia using same protocol as in Figs. 1a & 2a. The myoepithelial cells show a moderate to strong cytoplasmic and nuclear staining reaction. A weaker staining of the secretory cells is seen, but no background staining is seen.

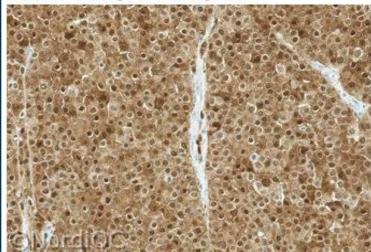


Fig. 4a. Optimal S100 staining of the malignant melanoma using same protocol as in Figs. 1a - 3a. Virtually all the neoplastic cells show a moderate to strong cytoplasmic and nuclear staining reaction.

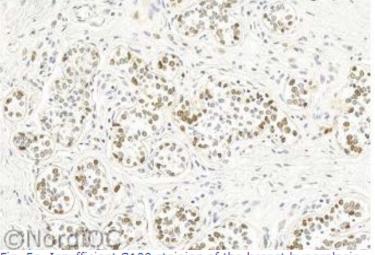


Fig. 5a. Insufficient S100 staining of the breast hyperplasia using proteolytic pre-treatment. The cytoplasmic compartment of both the myoepithelial cells and the glandular epithelial cells is digested and only the moderately stained nuclei are left. Also compare with Fig. 5b, same protocol.

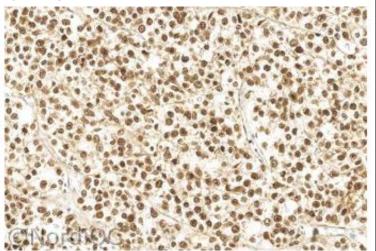


Fig. 5b. Insufficient S100 staining of the malignant melanoma using proteolytic pre-treatment, same protocol as in Fig. 5a. The cytoplasmic compartment is digested and only the moderately stained nuclei are left.

Proteolysis can provide impaired morphology



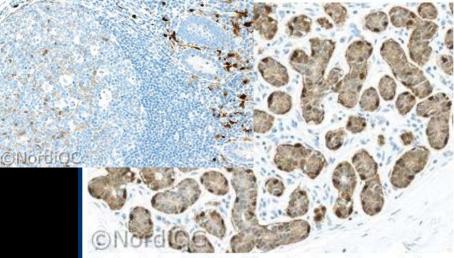


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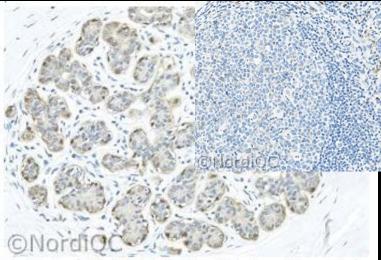


Fig. 3b. Insufficient S100 staining of the breast hyperplasia using same protocol as in Figs. 1b & 2b., same field as in Fig. 3a. The myoepithelial cells show a weak and equivocal

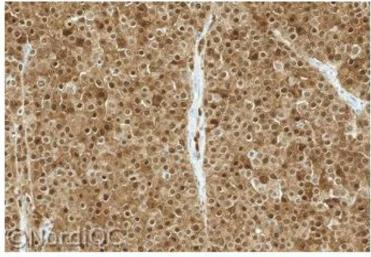


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Fig. 4b. Insufficient S100 staining of the malignant melanoma using same protocol as in Figs. 1b - 3b., same field as in Fig. 4a. The neoplastic cells show a weak and equivocal staining reaction.





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Assessment Run 37 2013

CD45 (Leucocyte Common Antigen, LCA)

The slide to be stained for CD45 comprised:

1. Tonsil, 2. Liver, 3. Brain, 4. B-CLL

All tissues were fixed in 10 % neutral buffered formalin.

Criteria for assessing a CD45 staining as optimal included:

- A moderate to strong, distinct, predominantly membranous staining reaction of all lymphocytes in all four tissues tested. In the tonsil both the B- and T-cells should be distinctively demonstrated.
- An at least weak to moderate, distinct cytoplasmic staining reaction of the Kupffer cells in the liver and the microglial cells of the brain.
- An at least weak to moderate, predominantly membranous staining reaction of virtually all the neoplastic cells of the B-CLL
- · No staining of squamous epithelial cells in the tonsil or hepatocytes in the liver.

214 laboratories participated in this assessment, but 9 participants used an inappropriate antibody (CD45R0 and CD45RA). Of the remaining 205 laboratories 82% achieved a sufficient mark (optimal or good). Antibodies (Abs) used and marks given are summarized in table 1.

Table 3: Proportion of sufficient CD45 results in the two NordiQC runs performed

-	Run 15 2005	Run 37 2013
Participants, n=	80	205
Sufficient results	86 %	82 %



Table 1. Abs and assessment marks for CD45, run 37									
Concentrated Abs	N	Vendor	Optimal	Good	Borderl.	Poor	Suff. ¹	Suff. OPS ²	
mAb clones 2B11+PD7/26	111 1 1	Dako Diagnostic Biosystems Zytomed	64	29	16	4	82 %	85 %	
mAb clones MEM28/ MEM56/MEM55	1	Invitrogen	0	1	0	0	-	-	
mAb clones PD7/26/16+2B11	3	Thermo/Neomarkers	0	1	2	0	-	-	
mAb clone X16/99	9	Leica/Novocastra	6	2	0	1	89 %	100 %	
rmAb clone EP68	1	Epitomics	0	0	0	1	-	-	
Ready-To-Use Abs									
mAb clones 2B11+PD7/26 IS/IR751			29	2	0	0	100 %	100 %	
mAb clones 2B11+PD7/26 760-4279	14	Ventana/Cell Marque	4	6	4	0	71 %	100 %	
mAb clones 2B11+PD7/26 148M-98	2 Cell Marque		2	0	0	0	-	-	
mAb clones 2B11+PD7/26 N1514	1	Dako	1	0	0	0	-	-	
mAb clones 2B11+PD7/26 E005	1	Linaris	0	0	1	0	-	-	
mAb clones 2B11+PD7/26 MAD-004010QD	1	Master Diagnostica	0	1	0	0	-	-	
mAb clones PD7/26/16+2B11 PM-016	1	Biocare	0	1	0	0	-	-	
mAb clone RP2/18 760-2505	21	Ventana	3	11	7	0	67 %	80 %	
mAb clone X16/99 PA0042	6	Leica	6	0	0	0	100 %	100 %	
Total	205		115	54	30	6	-		
Proportion			56 %	26 %	15 %	3 %	82 %		

1) Proportion of sufficient stains (optimal or good), 2) Proportion of sufficient stains with optimal protocol settings only, see below.

HIER

Ab Conc.

Control tissue





Fig. 1a. Optimal CD45 staining of the tonsil using the mAb clones 2B11+PD7/26 optimally calibrated and with HIER. Virtually all the B- and T-lymphocytes show a strong and distinct membranous staining reaction. No background staining is seen.

Also compare with Figs. 2a - 4a, same protocol.

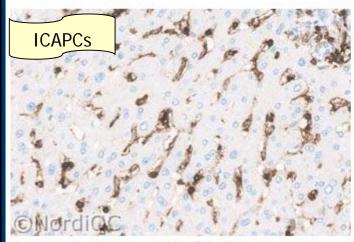


Fig. 2a. Optimal CD45 staining of the liver using same protocol as in Fig. 1a. The lymphocytes show a strong staining reaction, while the Kupffer cells display a weak to moderate staining reaction. The liver cells are negative and low CD45 expression are false negative. no background staining is seen.

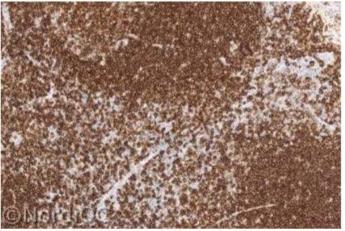


Fig. 1b. Staining for CD45 of the tonsil using the mAb clones 2B11+PD7/26 by protocol settings giving a too low sensitivity (too low concentration of the primary Ab) - same field as in Fig. 1a.

The vast majority of the B- and T-lymphocytes are demonstrated. However also compare with Figs. 2b - 4b,

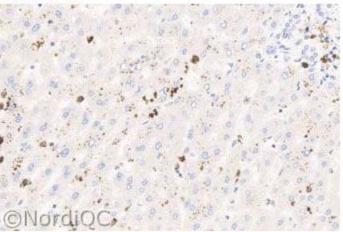


Fig. 2b. Insufficient CD45 staining of the liver using same protocol as in Fig. 1b - same field as in Fig. 2a. Only lymphocytes are demonstrated and the Kupffer cells with a



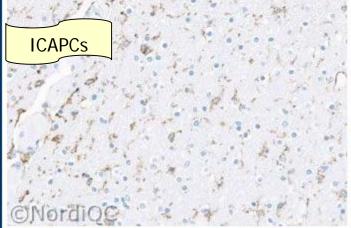
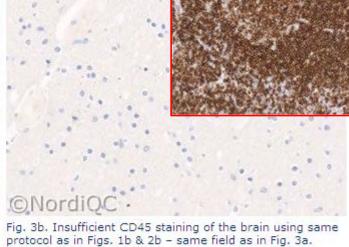


Fig. 3a. Optimal CD45 staining of the brain using same protocol as in Figs. 1a & 2a. The microglial cells with a low CD45 expression are distinctively demonstrated, no background staining is seen.



The microglial cells are false negative.

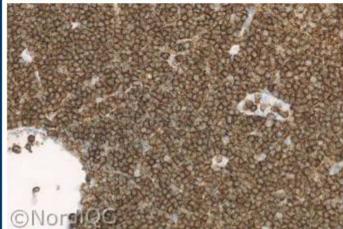


Fig. 4a. Optimal CD45 LCA staining of the B-CLL using same protocol as in Figs. 1a - 3a. Virtually all the neoplastic same protocol as in Figs. 1b - 3b. - same field as in Fig. 4a. cells show a moderate to strong and distinct membranous staining reaction. No background staining is seen.

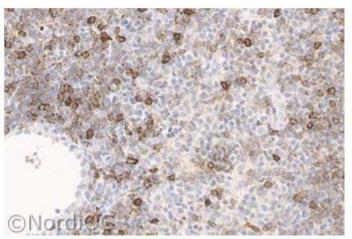


Fig. 4b. Insufficient CD45 LCA staining of the B-CLL using

The proportion and intensity of the neoplastic cells demonstrated is significantly reduced compared to the level expected and obtained in Fig. 4a.



CKs	Recommendable clones (conc.)	Less successful clones (conc.)	RTU "plug and play" giving optimal result
CK-Low	mAb 5D3 (8,18) mAb B22.1+B23.1(8,18) mAb C51 (18) mAb DC10 (18) mAb TS1 (8) rmAb EP17 (8) rmAb EP17/30 (8,18,19)	mAb 35BH11 mAb CAM5.2	Dako: mAb DC10 Dako: rmAb EP17/EP30 Leica: mAb 5D3 VMS: mAb B22.1+B23.1
CK-High	mAb XM26 (5) mAb LL002 (14) rmAb EP1601Y (5) rmAb SP27 (5) rmAb SP54 (14) mAb D5/16B4 (5/6)	mAb 34BE12	VMS: rmAb SP27

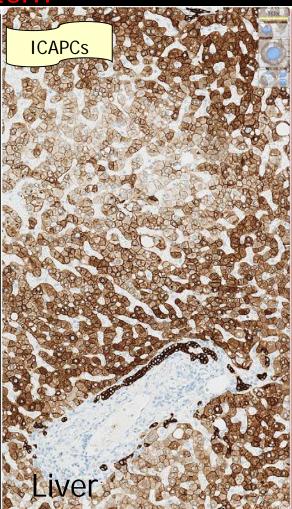


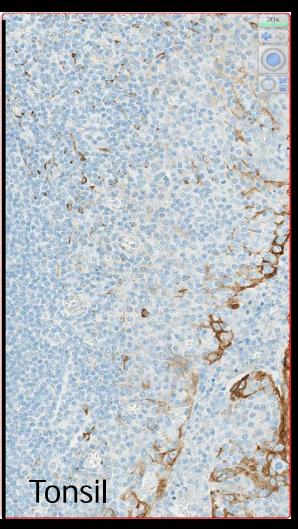
CKs	Positive tissue control HE	Positive tissue control LE	Negative tissue control NE
CK-Low	Liver: Epithelial cells of bile ducts	Liver: Hepatocytes	Tonsil: Lymphocytes
OK LOW	Appendix: Epithelial cells	Tonsil: Fibroblastic reticulum cells	Appendix: Smooth muscle cells
CK-High	Tonsil: Basal squamous epithelial cells	Tonsil: Intermediate squamous epithelial cells	Appendix: Epithelial cells



CK-LMW reaction pattern





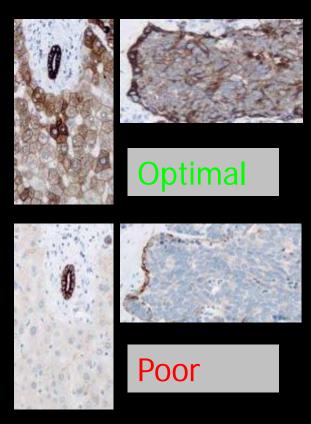


A moderate to strong distinct cytoplasmic staining reaction in virtually all columnar epithelial cells. An at least weak to moderate distinct cytoplasmic staining reaction of the vast majority of the hepatocytes (membrane accentuation).

Scattered epithelial cells and fibroblastic reticulum cells can show a weak to moderate staining. No reaction in the vast majority of lymphocytes.



Table 1. Antibodies and assessment marks for CK-LMW, run 49									
Concentrated antibodies	Reactivity	n	Vendor	Optimal	Good	Borderline	Poor	Suff.1	Suff. OPS ²
mAb clone 34βH11 CK8 1		1	In-house	0	0	1	0	-	-
mAb clone 5D3	CK8/18	18 3 1 1	Leica/Novocastra Thermo/Neomarkers Biocare Biogenex Vector	3	10	8	5	50%	100%
mAb clones B22.1/B23.1	CK8/18	6 1 1	Cell Marque Bio SB Immunologic	4	4	0	0	100%	100%
mAb clone BS83	CK18	1	Nordic Biosite	0	1	0	0	-	-
mAb clone CAM5.2	CK8 (7)	1	Cell Marque Zytomed	0	2	0	0	-	-
mAb clone C51	CK18	1	Invitrogen/Zymed Biogenex	0	2	1	0	-	-
mAb done DC10	CK18	20 3 1 1 1 1	Agilent/Dako Thermo/Neomarkers Biogenex Empire Genomics Histolab Immunologic Spring Bioscience	6	15	6	1	75%	90%
mAb clone K8.8/DC10	CK8/18	1	Thermo/Neomarkers	0	0	1	0	-	-
mAb clone TS1	CK8	1	Leica/Novocastra	0	0	0	1	-	-
rmAb done EP17	CK8	6	Epitomics	6	0	0	0	100%	100%
rmAb clones EP17/EP30	CK8/18	3	Agilent/Dako	2	1	0	0	-	-
Ready-To-Use antibodies				l				1	
mAb clone 35βH11 MAB-0051	СКВ	1	Maixin	0	1	0	0	-	-
mAb clone 35βH11 760-2637	CKB	2	Roche/Ventana	0	0	0	2		
mAb clone 35βH11 no product number	CK8	1	ZS	0	0	0	1	-	-
mAb clones 5D3 PA0067	CK8/18	8	Leica/Novocastra	2	3	3	0	63%	83%
mAb clone 5D3 PDM070-10MM	CK8/18	2	Diagnostics BioSystems	0	1	1	0	-	-
mAb clones B22.1/B23.1 760-4344	CK8/18	27	Roche/Ventana	16	7	4	0	85%	96%
mAb clones B22.1/B23.1 818M-97/98	CK8/18	8	Cell Marque	4	2	0	2	75%	-
mAb clones B22.1/B23.1 MAD-000589QD	CK8/18	2	Master Diagnostica	1	1	0	0	-	-
mAb clone CAM5.2 345779	CK8 (7)	29	Becton Dickinson	1	9	8	11	34%	-
mAb clone CAM5.2 349205	CK8 (7)	6	Becton Dickinson	0	0	4	2	-	-
mAb clone CAM5.2 790-4555	CK8 (7)	10	Roche/Ventana	3	3	3	1	60%	80%
mAb clone DC10 IR618/IS618	CK18	12	Agilent/Dako	0	8	4	0	67%	-
mAb clone DC10 GA618	CK18	9	Agilent/Dako	2	5	2	0	78%	100%
rmAb clones EP17/EP30 IR094	CK8/18	16	Agilent/Dako	16	0	0	0	100%	100%
Total		213		66	75	46	26		
Proportion 1) Proportion of sufficient sta				31%	35%	22%	12%	66%	



Clone! Retrieval! Concentration!

1) Proportion of sufficient stains (optimal or good).

2) Proportion of sufficient stains with optimal protocol settings only, see below.



Table 4: Proportion of sufficient results for CK-LMW in the six NordiQC runs performed

	Run 9 2003	Run 16 2006	Run 20 2007	Run 25 2009	Run 33 2011	Run 38 2013		
Participants, n=	54	66	74	99	141	161		
Sufficient results	57 %	45 %	67 %	66 %	64 %	77 %		

- Use of Abs giving a low sensitivity
- Inappropriate epitope retrieval
- Misleading data-sheets

Table 3. Pass rates for four CK-LMW clones using different epitope retrieval methods

	Pass rate for run 16, 20, 25, 33 & 38									
	Total		H:	IER	Prot. pre	e-treatm. HIER + proteolys				
	Protocols	Sufficient	Protocols	Sufficient	Protocols	Sufficient	Protocols	Sufficient		
mAb clone CAM 5.2	126	56 (44%)	41	14 (34%)	66	39 (59 %)	9	3 (33%)		
mAb clone DC10	159	151 (95 %)	158	149 (95 %)	0	0	2	2 (100 %)		
mAb clone 5D3	107	66 (62 %)	80	65 (81%)	27	3 (11%)	0	0		
mAb clone 35BH11	54	6 (11%)	32	4 (13 %)	22	2 (11%)	0	0		



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CLONE: 5D3			
Code	Name	Configuration	Use
PA0067	7ml CK8/18 Bond RTU Primary	Bond ready to use reagent J	P(HIER)
5D3-L-CE	1ml NCL- L-5D3	Liquid Concentrated Monoclonal Antibody	P (ENZYME)

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Concentrated antibodies	Da Autostainer L	ko .ink / Classic		tana c XT / Ultra	Leica Bond III / Max		
	TRS pH 9.0	TRS pH 6.1	CC1 pH 8.5	CC2 pH 6.0	ER2 pH 9.0	ER1 pH 6.0	
mAb clone 5D3	36 % 4/11**	-	0 % 0/5	-	67 % 2/3	-	
mAb clone DC10	67 % 2/3	-	64 % 7/11	-	50 % 3/6	-	



Fig. 1a. Optimal staining for CK-LMW of the appendix using Fig. 1b. Insufficient staining for CK-LMW of the appendix the mAb clone 5D3 for CK 8/18 optimally calibrated, HIER in an alkaline buffer and performed on the Autostainer Link buffer and performed on the BenchMark ULTRA stainer, stainer, Dako.

Virtually all the columnar epithelial cells show a strong cytoplasmic staining reaction, while no background staining settings used on the BenchMark stainers.

Also compare with Figs. 2a - 3a, same protocol.

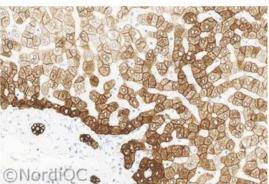


Fig. 2a. Optimal staining for CK-LMW of the liver using the same protocol as in Fig. 1a.

The majority of the hepatocytes show a distinct, moderate staining reaction with a membrane enhancement, while the the hepatocytes are almost negative.

columnar epithelial cells of the bile ducts show a strong cytoplasmic staining reaction.

Same protocol used in Figs. 1a - 3a.



using the mAb clone 5D3 for CK 8/18, HIER in an alkaline Ventana - same field as in Fig. 1a. The mAb clone 5D3 gave same insufficient staining result by all protocol

Only the luminal columnar epithelial cells show a moderate to strong cytoplasmic staining, while virtually no staining is seen in the basal part of the crypts.

Also compare with Figs. 2b - 3b, same protocol

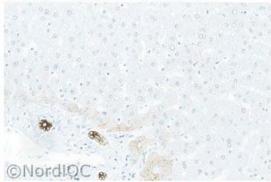


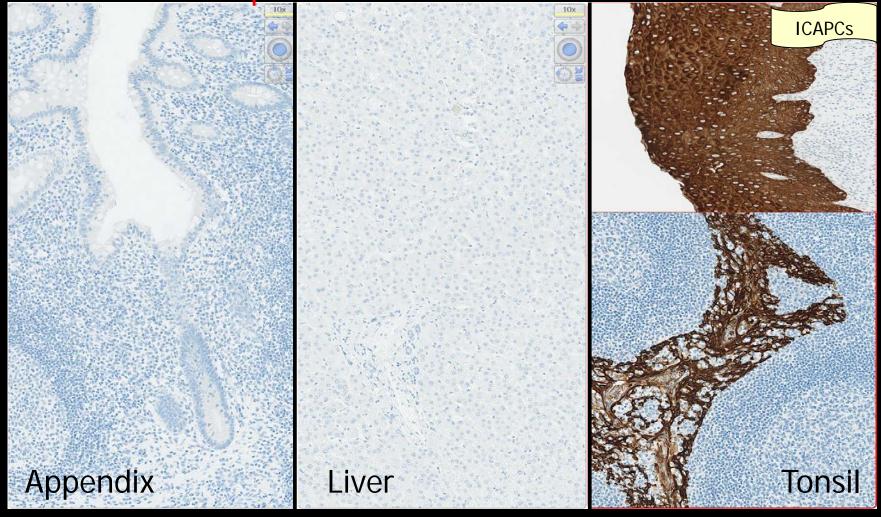
Fig. 2b. Insufficient staining for CK-LMW of the liver using the same protocol as in Fig. 1b - same field as in Fig. 2a. Only the bile duct epithelial cells are demonstrated, while Same protocol used in Figs. 1b - 3b.

mAb clone 5D3 Less successful on **VMS**

VMS (and all..): rmAb EP17 rmAb EP17/EP30 mAb DC10 mAb B22.1 + B23.1



CK-HMW reaction pattern



No staining should be seen.

No staining should be seen.

Virtually all squamous epithelial cells must show a moderate to strong cytoplasmic staining reaction.





Assessment Run 38 2013

Cytokeratin, High Molecular Weight (CK-HMW)

Material

The slide to be stained for CK-HMW comprised:

- 1. Prostate hyperplasia, 2. Esophagus, 3. Liver,
- 4. Prostate intraepithelial neoplasia (PIN) / prostate adenocarcinoma,
- 5. Breast ductal carcinoma, 6. Lung squamous cell carcinoma.



All tissues were fixed in 10% neutral buffered formalin.

Criteria for assessing a CK-HMW staining as optimal included:

- A strong and distinct cytoplasmic staining reaction of all squamous epithelial cells of the esophagus throughout all the cell layers*.
- A strong and distinct cytoplasmic staining reaction of the majority of the basal cells of the prostate hyperplastic glands and the PIN lesions.
- A moderate to strong cytoplasmic staining reaction of the majority of the neoplastic cells of the lung squamous cell carcinoma.
- No staining of the neoplastic cells of the breast ductal carcinoma and of the epithelial cells of the bile ducts of the liver.

213 laboratories participated in this assessment. 6 participants used an inappropriate antibody like CK-PAN, CK13 and CK19. Of the remaining 207 laboratories 45 % achieved a sufficient mark (optimal or good). Antibodies (Abs) used and marks are summarized in table 1.

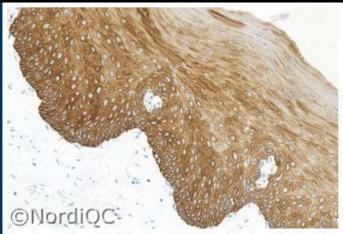
Table 3: Proportion of sufficient results for CK-HMW in the five NordiQC runs performed

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	Run 12 2004	Run 16 2006	Run B6 2008	Run 32 2011	Run 38 2013			
Participants, n=	73	87	97	163	207			
Sufficient results	77 %	88 %	24 %	23 %	45 %			

^{*} Antibodies against CK14 only demonstrate the basal squamous epithelial cells.

Table 1. Abs and assessment marks for CK-HMW, run 38									080	
Concentrated Abs	Reactivity	N	Vendor	Optimal	Good	Borderl.	Poor	Suff. ¹	Suff. OPS ²	NordiQC
mAb clone 34BE12	CK 1, 5, 10, 14, (19)	51 2 2 1 1 1 1 1	Dako Leica/Novocastra Thermo/Neomarkers Abcam Biocare Bio SB Cell Marque Enzo Gene Tech	0	6	54	1	10 %	0 %	mAb clone 34BE12 gives an aberrant staining with an
mAb clone BS42	Unknown	1	Nordic Biosite	0	0	1	0	-	-	unidentified CK-LMW
mAb clone D5/16B4	CK 5, 6	28 2 1 1	Dako Cell Marque Genemed Zymed	15	13	4	0	88 %	100 %	
mAb clone DE-SQ	CK 13, 14, 15, 16	1	Thermo/Neomarkers	0	0	1	0	-	-	
mAb clone LL002	CK 14	6 1 1	Leica/Novocastra AbD Serotec Thermo/Neomarkers	5	1	2	0	75 %	83 %	
mAb clone XM26	CK 5	23 1	Leica/Novocastra Diagnostic BioSystems	19	5	0	0	100 %	100 %	mAb clone XM26
mAb clone cocktail XM26+LL002	CK 5, 14	2	Diagnostic BioSystems Zytomed	1	2	1	0	-	-	or D5/16B4
mAb clone cocktail Y4A3+XM26+ LL002	p63, CK 5, 14	1	Zytomed	0	1	0	0	-	-	Conc & RTU
mAb clone 34BE12 + rmAb clone EP1601Y	CK 1, 5, 10, 14, (19) * + CK 5	1	Homemade cocktail: Dako/Cell Marque	0	0	1	0	-	-	Alternatively: CK5: rmAb EP1601Y
mAb clone XM26 + mAb clone LL002	CK 5, 14	1	Homemade cocktail: Leica/Novocastra/ Cell Marque	0	1	0	0	-	-	& SP27
Ready-To- Use Abs										CK14: rmAb SP53 &
mAb clone 34BE12 IR051	CK 1, 5, 10, 14, (19)	24	Dako	0	0	24	0	0 %	0 %	mAb LL002
mAb clone D5/16B4 IS/IR780	CK 5, 6	9	Dako	3	4	2	0	78 %	78 %	





mAb clone D5/16B4 against CK5/6 optimally calibrated and insufficient protocol based on the mAb clone 34BE12 with HIER in an alkaline buffer.

Virtually all the squamous epithelial cells show a distinct, moderate to strong cytoplasmic staining, while no background staining is seen.

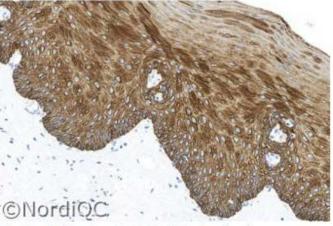


Fig. 1a. Optimal staining for CK-HMW of the tonsil using the Fig. 1b. Staining for CK-HMW of the tonsil using an against CK-HMW with HIER in an alkaline buffer, same field as in Fig. 1a.

Virtually all the squamous epithelial cells show a distinct, moderate to strong cytoplasmic staining, while no background staining is seen. However, compare with Fig. 3b, same protocol.

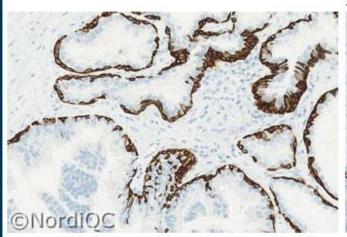


Fig. 2a. Optimal staining for CK-HMW of the prostate hyperplasia/PIN lesion using same protocol as in Fig. 1a. Virtually all the basal cells show a strong cytoplasmic staining. No background staining is seen.

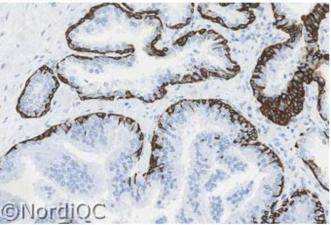


Fig. 2b. Staining for CK-HMW of the prostate hyperplasia/PIN lesion using same insufficient protocol as in Fig. 1b, same field as in Fig. 2a. Virtually all the basal cells show a strong cytoplasmic staining. No background staining is seen, same field as in Fig. 2a. However, compare with Fig. 3b., same protocol.



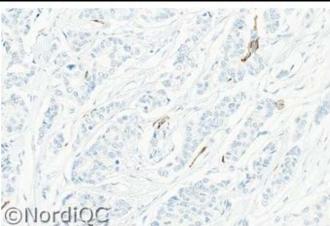


Fig. 3a. Optimal staining for CK-HMW of the breast ductal carcinoma using same protocol as in Figs. 1a. & 2a. The neoplastic cells expressing CK-LMW are negative, while same field as in Fig. 3a. A moderate to strong aberrant the remnants of entrapped myoepithelial cells expressing the CK-HMW subtypes CK5 & CK14 show a moderate cytoplasmic staining.

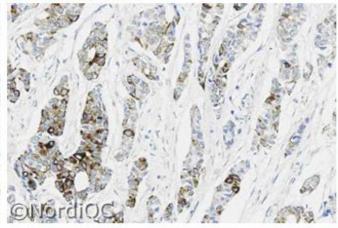
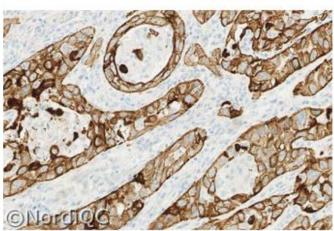


Fig. 3b. Insufficient staining for CK-HMW of the breast ductal carcinoma using same protocol as in Figs. 1b. & 2b, cytoplasmic staining is seen in the majority of the neoplastic cells. This false positive cross reaction with an unidentified subtype of CK-LMW was typically seen, when the mAb clone 34BE12 was used with HIER.



cell carcinoma using same protocol as in Figs. 1a. - 3a. Virtually all the neoplastic cells expressing CK-HMW show a 3b, same field as in Fig. 4a. moderate to strong cytoplasmic staining.

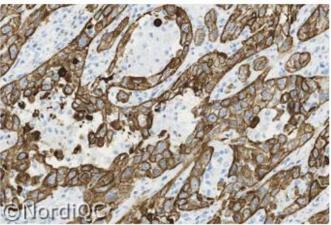


Fig. 4a. Optimal staining for CK-HMW of the lung squamous Fig. 4b. Staining for CK-HMW of the lung squamous cell carcinoma using same insufficient protocol as in Figs. 1b -

Virtually all the neoplastic cells expressing CK-HMW show a moderate to strong cytoplasmic staining. However, as the epithelial cells of the breast ductal carcinoma in Fig. 3b showed same staining characteristics, the staining for CK-HMW is not reliable.





Assessment Run 46 2016 CK5

Material

The slide to be stained for CK5 comprised:

1: Lung squamous cell carcinoma 2: Esophagus 3: Lung adenocarcinoma

4: Prostate hyperplasia 5: Lung squamous cell carcinoma

All tissues were fixed in 10% neutral buffered formalin.

Criteria for assessing CK5 staining as optimal included:



- A moderate to strong and distinct cytoplasmic staining reaction of all squamous epithelial cells in esophagus throughout all the cell layers.
- A strong and distinct cytoplasmic staining reaction of the majority of basal cells in the hyperplastic prostate glands.
- A moderate to strong cytoplasmic staining reaction of virtually all neoplastic cells in the lung squamous cell carcinoma, tissue core no. 1.
- An at least weak to moderate cytoplasmic staining reaction of the majority of neoplastic cells in the lung squamous cell carcinoma, tissue core no. 5.
- No staining of neoplastic cells in the lung adenocarcinoma.

Participation

Number of laboratories registered for CK5, run 46	281
Number of laboratories returning slides	266 (95%)

Results

266 laboratories participated in this assessment. 181 (68%) achieved a sufficient mark (optimal or good). Table 1 summarizes the antibodies (Abs) used and assessment marks (see page 2).

The most frequent causes of insufficient staining reactions were:

- Less successful CK5 antibodies
- Too low concentration of the primary Ab
- Insufficient HIER too short efficient HIER time

Performance history

This was the second NordiQC assessment of CK5. The pass rate in this run was improved compared to the previous run from 2004 as shown in table 2.

Table 2. Proportion of sufficient results for CK5 in the two NordiQC runs performed

	Run 12 2004	Run 46 2016
Participants, n=	74	266
Sufficient results	47%	68%



Concentrated antibodies	n	Vendor	Ontimal	Good	Borderline	Poor	Suff.1	Suff.
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mAb clone 10C11E6	1	Immunologic	0	1	0	0	-	-
mAb clone D5/16 B4	74 1 6 3 1 2	Dako/Agilent Invitrogen Cell Marque Zytomed Thermo Scientific Biocare Immunologic	21	34	28	5	63%	66%
mAb BS42	1	Nordic Biosite	1	0	0	0	-	-
mAb clone XM26	49 2 1	Leica/Novocastra Zytomed Sanbio	25	15	11	1	77%	79%
mAb clone XM26/LL002	1	Zytomed	0	1	0	0	-	-
rmAb clone EP1601Y	8 1	Cell Marque Biocare	6	3	0	0	100%	100%
rmAb clone SP27	3	Immunologic	3	0	0	0	-	-
Ready-To-Use antibodies								
mAb clone D5/16 B4 1072	1	Monosan	0	1	0	0	-	-
mAb clone D5/16 B4 BMS017	1	Zytomed	0	1	0	0	-	-
mAb clone D5/16 B4 IR/IS780	36	Dako/Agilent	1	8	22	5	25%	67%
mAb D5/16 B4 GA780	11	Dako/Agilent	1	8	2	0	82%	82%
mAb clone D5/16 B4 790-4554	38	Ventana/Roche/Cell Marque	15	15	5	3	79%	85%
mAb clone XM26 PA0468	2	Leica/Novocastra	0	2	0	0	-	-
mAb clone XM26 PM234	1	Biocare	0	1	0	0	-	-
rmAb clone EP1601Y/LL002 760-4939	1	Ventana/Cell Marque	1	0	0	0	-	-
rmAb clone EP1601Y/LL002 905H-8	3	Cell Marque	1	1	1	0	-	-
rmAb clone EP1601Y 305R-18	2	Cell Marque	0	1	1	0	-	-
rmAb clone EP24/EP67 MAD-000651QD	2	Master Diagnostica	2	0	0	0	-	-
rmAb clone SP27 760-4935	12	Ventana /Cell Marque	11	0	1	0	92%	92%
rmAb clone SP27 RMA-0612	1	Maixin	0	0	1	0	-	-
Total	266		88	92	72	14	-	
Proportion			33%	35%	27%	5%	68%	



HIER buffer

Detection kit

High pH + 3-step

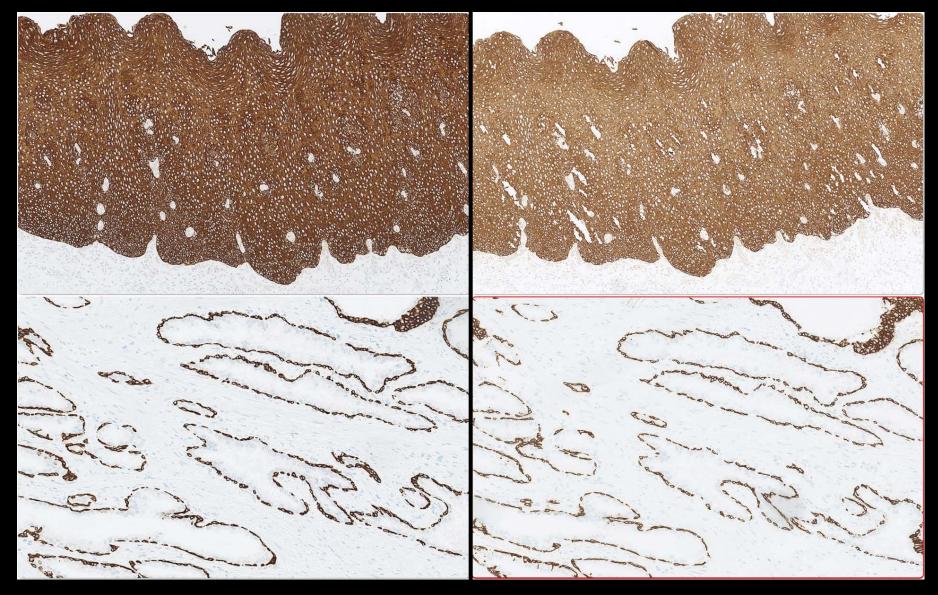




¹⁾Proportion of sufficient stains (optimal or good).

²⁾ Proportion of sufficient stains with optimal protocol settings only, see below.

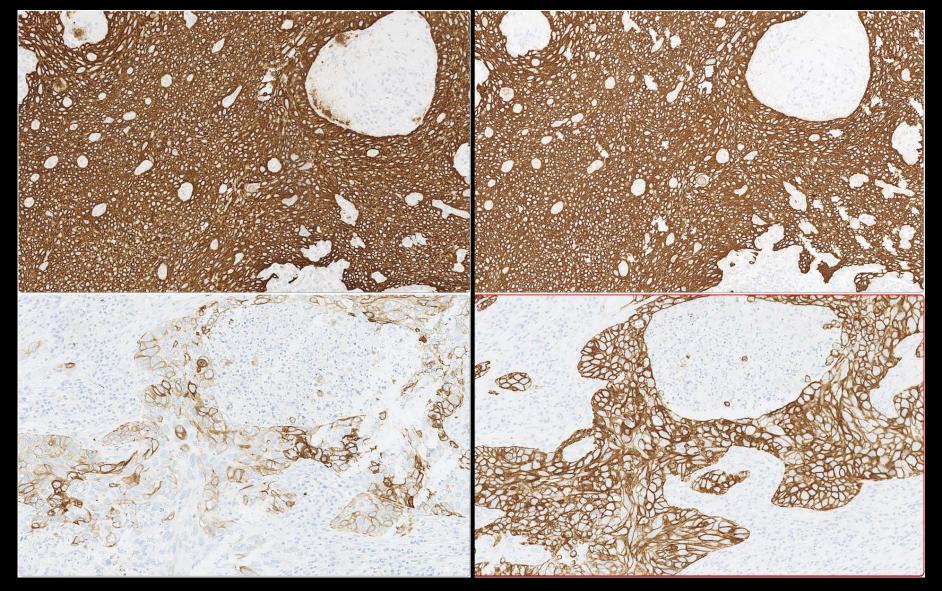




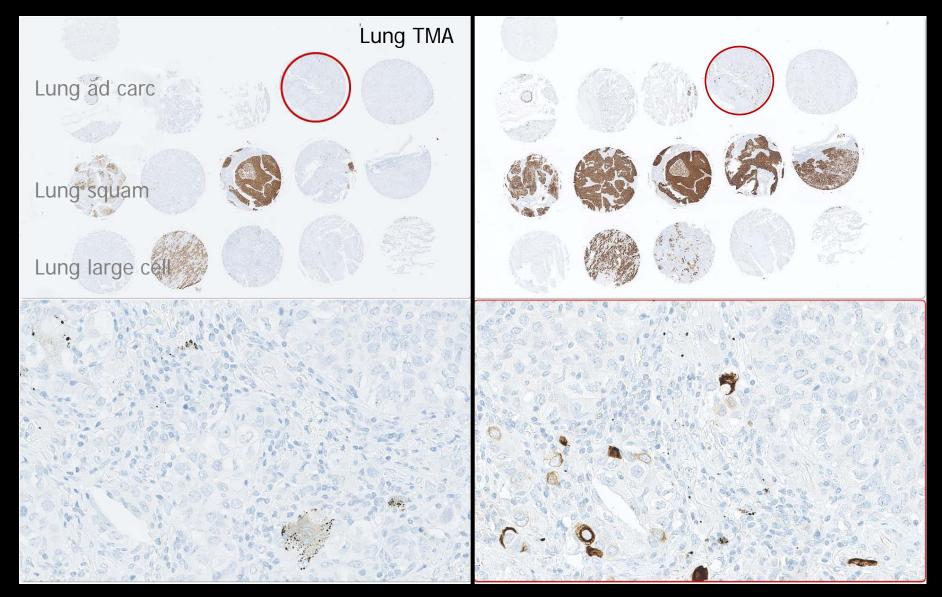
mAb XM26

rmAb SP27





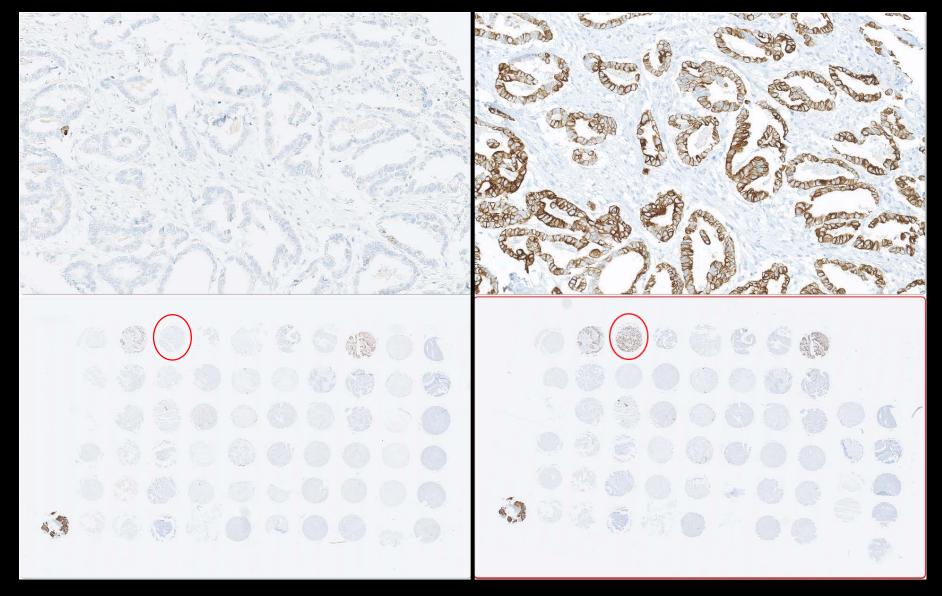




Lung adenocarc.

rmAb SP27







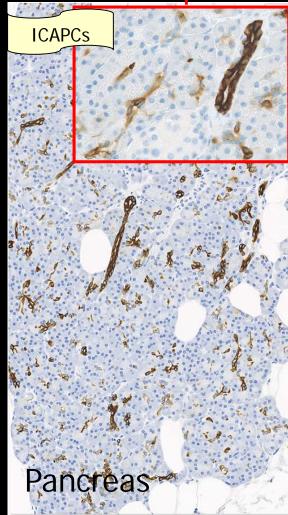
CKs	Positive tissue control HE	Positive tissue control LE	Negative tissue control NE
CK 7	Pancreas: Epithelial cells of large ducts	Pancreas: Epithelial cells of intercalating ducts	Appendix: Vast majority of epithelial cells
	Tonsil: Squamous epithelial cells	Appendix: Endothelial cells	Tonsil: Lymphocytes
	Appendix: Virtually all Tonsil / Esopha		Tonsil: Lymphocytes
CK 19 epithelial cells.		Basal squamous epithelial cells	Appendix: Endothelial cells
CK 20	Appendix: Luminal epithelial cells	Appendix: Epithelial cells, basal crypts	Tonsil: Squamous epithelial cells



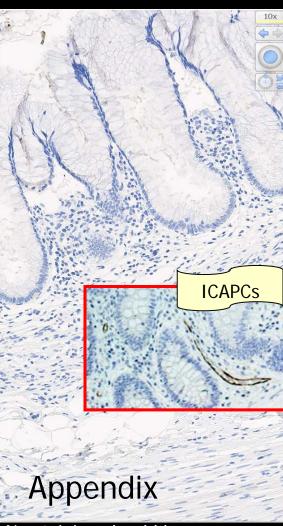
CKs	Recommendable clones (conc.)	Less successful clones (conc.)	RTU "plug and play" giving optimal result
CK 7	mAb OV-TL 12/30 mAb RN7 rmAb SP52		Dako: mAb OV-TL 12/30 Leica: mAb RN7 VMS: mAb SP52
CK 19	mAb A53-B/A2.26 mAb B170 mAb BA17	mAb Rck108	VMS: mAb A53-B/A2.26
CK 20	mAb BS101 mAb Ks20.8 rmAb E19-1 rmAb SP33	mAb PW31	Dako: mAb Ks20.8 Leica: mAb Ks20.8 VMS: rmAb SP33



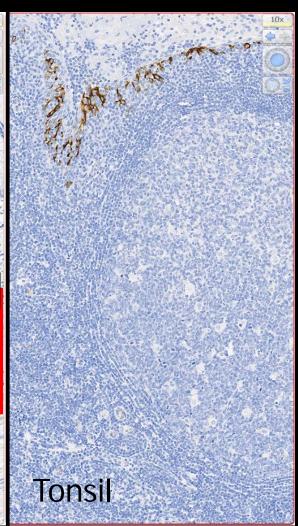
CK7 reaction pattern



A strong cytoplasmic staining in virtually all epithelial cells of the large pancreatic ducts & weak to moderate cytoplasmic staining in cells of intercalating ducts.



No staining should be seen. Endothelial cells can be demonstrated.



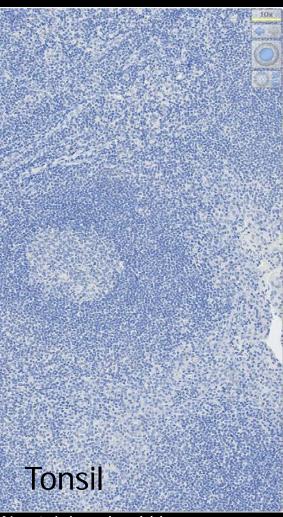
Scattered squamous epithelial cells can show a weak to strong cytoplasmic staining reaction.



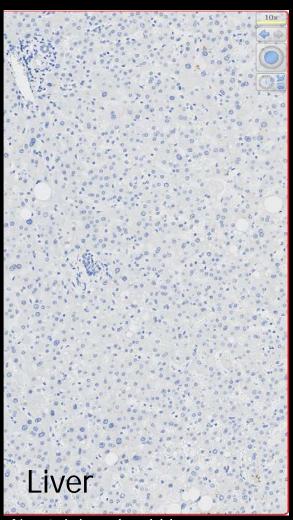
CK20 reaction pattern



A strong, distinct cytoplasmic staining reaction of all the surface epithelial cells and at least a weak to moderate staining reaction in most crypt cells.



No staining should be seen.



No staining should be seen.

QA Undifferented tumours and lymphomas



Basic IHC panel for lymphoma diagnosis

- CD45
- CD20
- CD79α
- (PAX-5)
- kappa/lambda
- CD3
- CD5
- CD30
- CD43
- Bcl-2
- Bcl-6
- CD23 (CD21)
- Cyclin-D1
- Ki-67

Courtesy: Steve Hamilton-Dutoit

15 markers

Relative frequency of lymphoid malignancies

10

3

1

B-Cell

Hodgkin

T-Cell

Basic IHC panel for lymphoma diagnosis (NordiOC results)

Antigen	NQC assessments	Latest Run	Pass rate (%)	Optimal (%)
CD20	٧	Run 35	95	77
CyclinD1	٧	Run 47	94	54
Ki67	٧	Run B22	93	69
CD5	٧	Run 49	92	68
CD3	٧	Run 37	92	66
CD23	٧	Run 50	89	55
Pax5	٧	Run 41	84	54
CD45	٧	Run 37	82	56
BCL2	٧	Run 28	82	44
CD79a	٧	Run 45	79	51
BCL6	٧	Run 42	74	30
CD30	٧	Run 43	71	34
Lambda	٧	Run 15	34	15
Карра	٧	Run 18	41	14
CD43		7.E		-



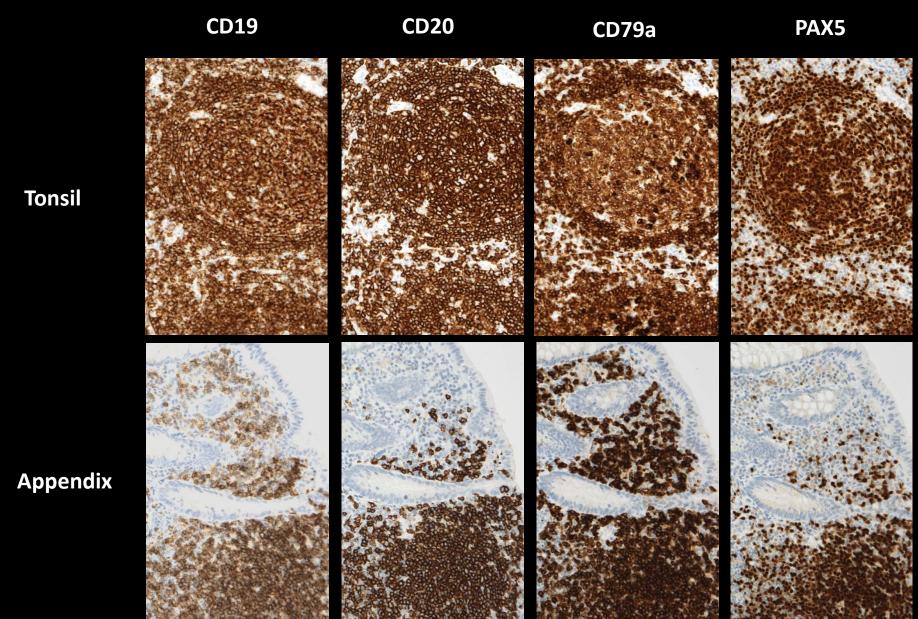
B-cells	Recommendable clones (conc.)	Less successful clones (conc.)	RTU "plug and play" giving optimal result
CD19	mAb LE-CD19 mAb BT51E	mAb LE-CD19	Dako: mAb LE-CD19 Leica: mAb BT51E
CD20	mAb L26 mAb 7D1 rmAb EP7	pAbs	Dako: mAb L26 Leica: mAb L26 Ventana: mAb L26
CD79a	mAb JCB117* rmAb SP18	mAb HM57 mAb 11D10 mAb 11E3	Dako: mAb JCB117 VMS: rmAb SP18
BSAP	mAb 1EW mAb 24* mAb DAK-Pax5 rmAb SP34		Dako: mAb DAK-Pax5 Leica: mAb 1EW VMS: mAb SP34

^{*} Inferior on VMS BenchMark



B-cells	Positive tissue control HE	Positive tissue control LE	Negative tissue control NE
CD19	Tonsil: Mantle zone, germinal centre & interfollicular B-cells	Appendix: Plasma cells	Appendix: Epithelial cells, muscle cells etc
CD20	Tonsil: Mantle zone, germinal centre & interfollicular B-cells	None	Appendix: Epithelial cells, muscle cells etc
CD79a	Tonsil: Mantle zone, & interfollicular B- cells	Tonsil: Germinal centre B-cells	Appendix: Epithelial cells, muscle cells etc
BSAP	Tonsil: Mantle zone, germinal centre & interfollicular B-cells	Hodgkin classical: Reed-Sternberg cells	Appendix: Epithelial cells, muscle cells etc







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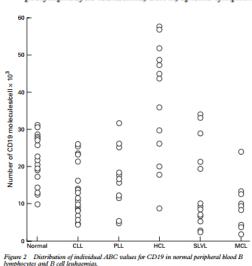
Levels of expression of CD19 and CD20 in chronic B cell leukaemias

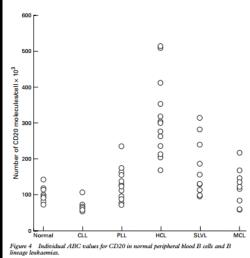
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Table 1 Mean ABC (antibody binding capacity) values × 10° in normal peripheral blood B lymphocytes and B lineage leukaemias

Antigen	Normal B cells	CLL	PLL	MCL	SLVL	HCL
CD19	22 (7)	13 (7)	16 (9)	10 (7)	15 (11)	38 (16)
(p value)*		<0.001	<0.05	<0.001	<0.05	<0.001
CD20	94 (16)	65 (11)	129 (47)	123 (51)	167 (72)	312 (110)
(p value)*		<0.001	<0.01	<0.05	<0.001	<0.001

Values are mean (SD); *comparison with normal peripheral blood B lymphocytes. CLL, chronic lymphatic leukaemia; HCL, hairy cell leukaemia; MCL, mantle cell lymphoma; PLL, prolymphocytic leukaemia; SLVL, splenic lymphoma with villous lymphocytes.





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The predictive significance of CD20 expression in B-cell lymphomas

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Abstract

Background: In our recent study, we determined the cut-off value of CD20 expression at the level of 25 000 molecules of equivalent soluble fluorochrome (MESF) to be the predictor of response to rituximab containing treatment in patients with B-cell lymphomas. In 17.5% of patients, who had the level of CD20 expression below the cut-off value, the response to rituximab containing treatment was significantly worse than in the rest of the patients with the level of CD20 expression above the cut-off value. The proportion of patients with low CD20 expression above the cut-off value. The proportion of patients with low CD20 expression in a larger series of patients with B-cell lymphomas which might allow us to determine more reliably the CD20 expression in a larger series of patients with B-cell lymphomas which might allow us to determine more reliably the proportion of patients with the CD20 expression below the cut-off.

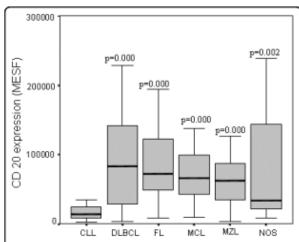
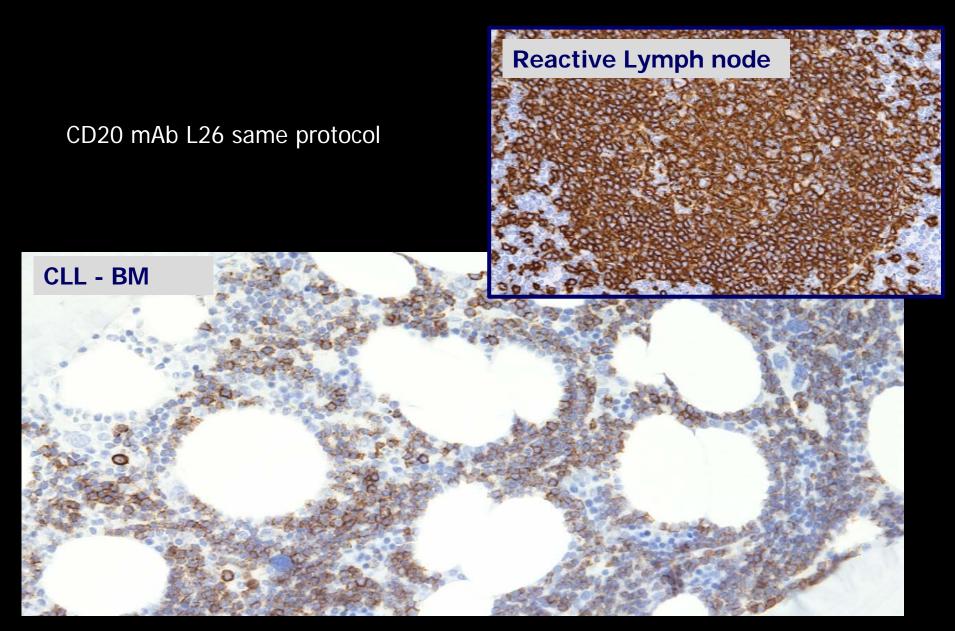


Figure 1 CD20 expression in different B-cell lymphomas. MESF...molecules of soluble fluorochrome, CLL...chronic lymphocytic leukemia, DLBCL...diffuse large B-cell lymphoma, FL...follicular lymphoma, MCL...mantle cell lymphoma, MZL..marginal zone lymphoma, NOS...B-cell lymphomas unclassified, NS...not significant.







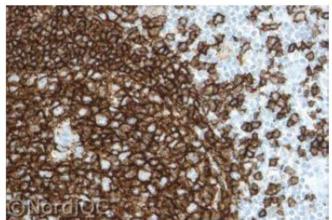


Fig. 1a
Lymphatic tissue in the appendix showing an optimal staining reaction for CD20 using the mAb clone L26 in a RTU format on the BenchMark platform. HIER was performed using Cell Conditioning 1. A very strong membranous staining reaction is seen in virtually all the B-cells.

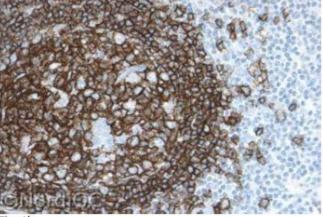


Fig. 1b
Lymphatic tissue in the appendix. Same field as in Fig. 1a.
Insufficient staining for CD20 using the mAb clone L26 in a
RTU format at the BenchMark platform. No HIER was
performed. A moderate to strong staining reaction is seen in
virtually all the B-cells. The normal B-cells are high expressors
of CD20, hence the relatively strong reaction. Even so, the
staining intensity should be improved in order to detect low
expressors of CD20 (e.g. B-CLL in Fig. 2a and 2b).

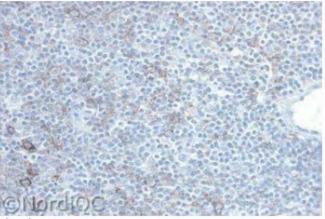


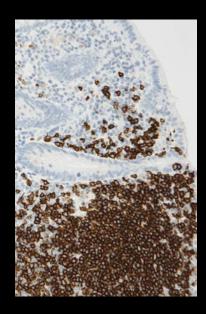
Fig. 2b
B-CLL. Insufficient staining for CD20 using the same protocol as in Fig. 1b. Omitting HIER, only scattered cells are positive. The majority of the neoplastic cells are negative. Compare with the optimal result in Fig. 2a, same field.



CLL needed to Validate accuracy

Tonsil ASAP

APP neg control



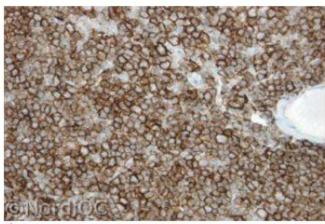


Fig. 2a B-CLL. Optimal staining reaction for CD20. Same protocol as in Fig. 1a. A moderate to strong membranous staining is seen in virtually all the neoplastic cells.



Concentrated Abs	N	Vendor	Optimal	Good	Borderl.	Poor	Suff. ¹	Suff. OPS ²
mAb clone L26	104	Biocare Cell Marque Dako Master Diagnóstica Leica/Novocastra Scytek Thermo/NeoMarkers Zymed Zytomed Systems	73	25	5	1	94 %	94 %
mAb clone 7D1	1	Leica/Novocastra	1	0	0	0	-	-
rmAb clone EP7	1	Epitomics	1	0	0	0	-	-
pAb RB-9013-P	1	Thermo/NeoMarkers	0	0	1	0	-	-
Unknown	1	Unknown	1	0	0	0	-	-
Ready-To-Use Abs								
760-4380	38	Ventana	35	1	2	0	95 %	100 %
mAb clone L26, 1R604/N1502	17	Dako	15	2	0	0	100 %	100 %
mAb clene 1.26, PM004	1	Biocare	1	0	0	0	-	-
mAb clone L26, CD20-L26-R-7-CE	1	Leica/Novocastra	1	0	0	0	-	-
mAb clone MJ1, PA0906	2	Leica/Novocastra	0	2	0	0	-	-
Total	167		128	30	8	1	-	
Proportion			77 %	18 %	4 %	<1%	95 %	

Suff. (clone L26)

HIER (preferable in alkaline buffers)

1:75-1:2.000

All detection systems

Insuff. (clone L26)

Omission of HIER

Too low conc. of primary Ab

RTU's superior to LDT's



Table 1. Abs and ass	sessm	ent marks for CD19, run	35.					
Concentrated Abs:	N	Vendor	Optimal	Good	Borderline	Poor	Suff.1	Suff. OPS ²
mAb clone LE-CD19	11	BioCare BioSite Dako Serotec	5) 1	5	0	55 %	75 %
mAb clone BT51E	1	Novocastra/Leica	0	0	1	0	-	-
Not specified	2		1	0	1	0	-	-
Ready-To-Use Abs:								
mAb clone LE-CD19 , IR656	4	Dako	3	1	0	0	100 %	100 %
mAb clone BT51E, PA0843	1	Novocastra/Leica	1	0	0	0	-	-
mAb clone MRQ-36, 119M-17	1	Cell Marque	0	0	0	1	-	-
Total	20		10	2	7	1	-	
Proportion			50 %	10 %	35 %	5 %	60 %	-

¹⁾ Proportion of sufficient stains (optimal or good),

mAb clone LE-CD19 Dako most consistent

mAb clone LE-CD19 (Serotec, Biocare ...)

HIER in alk. pH

False positive

²⁾ Proportion of sufficient stains with optimal protocol settings only, see below.



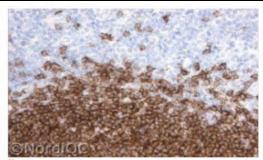


Fig. 1a Normal tonsil showing an optimal staining for CD19 using the mAb clone LE-CD19 from Dako, diluted 1:50, on the Autostainer platform. HIER was performed using TRS pH 9 (3-in-1) (Dako). A strong and distinct membranous staining reaction is seen in virtually all B-cells. T-cells are negative.

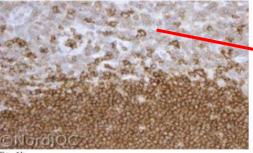
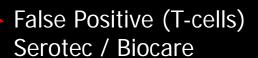


Fig. 1b Normal tonsil showing an insufficient staining for CD19 using the mAb clone LE-CD19 from Serotec, diluted 1:500, on the Autostainer platform. HIER was performed using Citrate pH 6. In addition to a moderate to strong staining reaction in the normal B-cells (albeit weaker than that seen in Fig 1a), the majority of T-cells shows a false positive staining reaction.



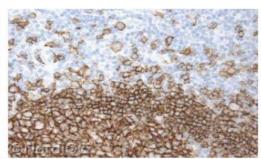
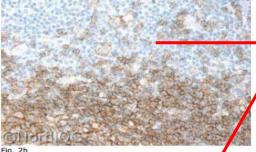


Fig. 2a Lymphatic tissue in the appendix showing an optimal staining for CD19 using the mAb clone BT51E (RTU) on the BOND-III platform. HIER was performed using Bond Epitope Retrieval Solution 1. A strong and very distinct membranous staining is seen in virtually all B-cells, while the T-cells are negative.



rig. 2D Lymphatic tissue in the appendix showing an insufficient staining for CD19 using the mAb clone BT51E, diluted 1:30, on the BenchMark platform. HIER was performed using cell Conditioning 1. Only a weak to moderate staining if seen in the majority of B-cells. T-cells are negative. Also compare with Fig. 3b, same protocol.



Fig. 3b. Insufficient staining reaction for CD19 of the DLBCL using same protocol as in Fig. 2b. Only a weak staining is seen in scattered neoplastic cells. The majority of the tumour cells are negative. Compare with the optimal protocol in Fig. 3a,

Too weak

mAb clone BT51E applied by protocol settings with too low sensitivity

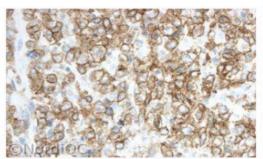


Fig. 3a. Optimal staining reaction for CD19 of the DLBCL. Same protocol used as in Fig. 2a based on the mAb clone BT51E. A moderate to strong membranous staining reaction is seen in virtually all the neoplastic cells.



Concentrated antibodies	n	Vendor	Optimal	Good	Borderline	Poor	Suff.1	Suff. OPS ²
mAb clone 11D10	1	Leica/Novocastra	0	0	0	1	-	-
mAb clone 11E3	3	Leica/Novocastra	0	0	0	3	-	-
mAb clone HM57	2	Dako	0	0	0	2	-	-
mAb clone JCB117	94 3	Dako Thermo/NeoMarkers	37	35	19	6	74%	74%
rmAb clone SP18	12 3 2 1	Thermo/NeoMarkers Spring Bioscience Cell Marque Nordic Biosite Zytomed	21 %	%	0	1	95%	83%
Ready-To-Use antibodies								
mAb clone 11E3 PA0192	6	Leica/Novocastra	0	0	3	3	I Usi	I.
mAb clone HM46/A9 PM067	1	Biocarea	0	0	0	1	-	-
mAb clone JCB117 IR/IS621	40	Dako	23	11	5	1	85%	89%
mAb JCB117 GA621	11	Dako	9	2	0	0	100%	100%
mAb JCB117 760-2639*	2	Ventana/Cell Marque	0	1	1	0	15.1	-
mAb clone JCB117 PA0599	1	Leica/Novocastra	0	0	0	1	-	15
rmAb clone SP18 790-4432	58	Ventana	50	%	0	2	97%	96%
rmAb clone SP18 MAD-00032QD	2	Master Diagnostica	0	0	2	0	-	*
rmAb clone SP18 179R-18	1	Cell Marque	0	1	0	0	-	•
rmAb clone SP18 RMA-0552	1	Maixin	1	0	0	0	-	
Total	245		124	70	30	21	-	
Proportion			51%	28%	12%	9%	79%	

Proportion of sufficient stains (optimal or good).

Optimal (clone JCB117)

HIER (preferable alkaline buffer)

1:25-1:600

3 step detection systems

Optimal (clone SP18)

HIER (CC1)

1:300-1:500

3-step systems

Insufficient results

Too short inefficient HIER

Too low conc. of primary Ab

Less successful primary Abs

RTU's superior to LDT's

²⁾ Proportion of sufficient stains with optimal protocol settings only, see below.

^{*} Discontinued product.



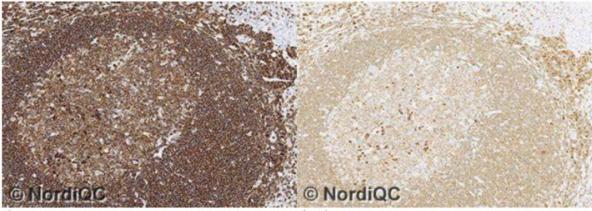


Fig. 1a
Optimal CD79a staining of the tonsil using the mAb clone
JCB117 as Ready-To-Use format (GA621, Dako), with
HIER in TRS High pH 9 for 30 min., a 3-step polymer
based detection kit and performed on Omnis, Dako.
Mantle zone B-cells show an intense membranous
staining reaction, while the germinal centre B-cells show
a moderate staining reaction. Plasma cells and late stage
germinal centre B-cells show a strong cytoplasmic
staining reaction.

Also compare with Figs. 2a - 5a, same protocol.

Fig. 1b
CD79a staining of the tonsil using the mAb clone JCB117
with an insufficient protocol – same field as in Fig. 1a

with an insufficient protocol – same field as in Fig. 1a. The primary Ab was used at a titre of 1:500 and a 2-step multimer based detection system providing a too low sensitivity.

The mantle zone B-cells and the late stage germinal centre B-cells are demonstrated, while the germinal centre B-cells only show a weak and diffuse staining reaction.

Also compare with Figs. 2b & 3b - same protocol.

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Optimal CD79a staining of the B-CLL using same protocol as in Fig. 1a.

Virtually all the neoplastic cells show a moderate and distinct membranous staining reaction.

No background reaction is seen.

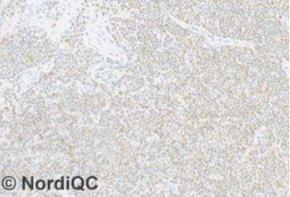


Fig. 2b Insufficient CD79a staining of the B-CLL using same

protocol as in Fig. 1b - same field as in Fig. 2a. The neoplastic cells only show a weak and equivocal staining reaction.

Also compare with Fig. 3b - same protocol.

Problem:

Too low sensitivity;

- 1. Low concentration of primary Ab
- 2. Detection system





Fig. 4a
Optimal CD79a staining of colon using same protocol as in Figs. 1a - 3a.

Plasma cells show a moderate to strong cytoplasmic staining reaction.

No background reaction is seen.

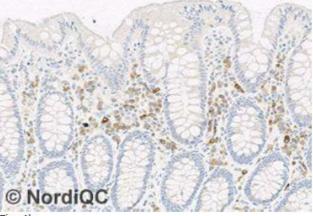
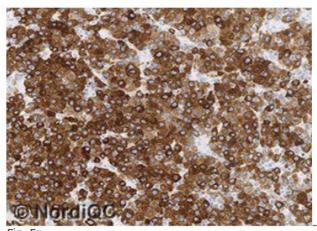


Fig. 4b CD79a staining of the colon using an insufficient protocol based on the mAb clone 11E3.

The intensity and proportion of plasma cells demonstrated is reduced compared to the level expected. However also compare with Fig. 5b – same protocol



Optimal CD79a staining of the plasmacytoma using same protocol as in Figs. 1a - 4a.

Virtually all neoplastic cells show a moderate cytoplasmic staining reaction.

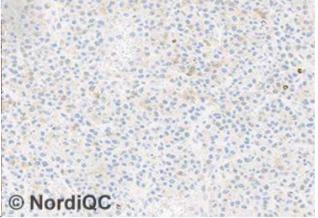


Fig. 5b

Insufficient CD79a staining of the plasmacytoma using same protocol as in Fig. 4b.

Only scattered normal B-cells are demonstrated, while the neoplastic cells are negative.

9 of 9 protocols based on mAb clone 11E3 provided an insufficient result due to a too weak or completely false negative staining reaction in both the plasmacytoma and the precursor B-ALL.

Problem:

Less successful Ab

mAb 11E3 or mAb HM57



Table 1. Antibodies a	Table 1. Antibodies and assessment marks for BSAP, run 41							
Concentrated antibodies	n	Vendor	Optimal	Good	Borderline	Poor	Suff.1	Suff. OPS ²
mAb clone 1EW	9	Leica/Novocastra	4	3	2	0	78%	100%
mAb clone 24	20	BD Biosciences	8	7	3	2	75%	88%
mAb clone BC/24	4	Biocare	1	2	1	0	-	-
mAb clone DAK-Pax5	23	Dako	11	8	4	0	83%	84%
rmAb clone 3852-1	1	Abcam	1	0	0	0	-	-
rmAb clone SP34	9 4 2	Cell Marque Spring Biosciences Thermo/NeoMarkers	4	6	5	0	71%	86%
pAb ILP46318	1	Immunologic	0	1	0	0	-	-
pAb RB-9406	5	Thermo/NeoMarkers	0	2	3	0	-	-
pAb RBK008	1	Zytomed	0	1	0	0	-	-
Ready-To-Use antibodies								
mAb clone 1EW PA0552	4	Leica/Novocastra	3	1	0	0	-	-
mAb clone BC/24 PM207	1	Biocare	0	1	0	0	-	-
mAb clone DAK-Pax5 IS/IR650	21	Dako	20	0	1	0	95%	95%
mAb clone DAK-Pax5 GA650	5	Dako	5	0	0	0	100%	100%
rmAb clone BV6 RMPD027	1	Diagnostic Biosystems	0	0	1	0	-	-
rmAb clone SP34 790-4420	37	Ventana	23	12	2	0	95%	94%
rmAb clone SP34 312R-18	1	Cell Marque	0	1	0	0	-	-
pAb MAD-005661QD	1	Master Diagnostica	1	0	0	0		
Total	150		81	45	22	2	-	
Proportion			54%	30%	15%	1%	84%	
1) Proportion of sufficient	stain	s (optimal or good)						

HIER in high pH

3-step detection

24 + 1EW inferior on VMS

RTU's superior to LDT's

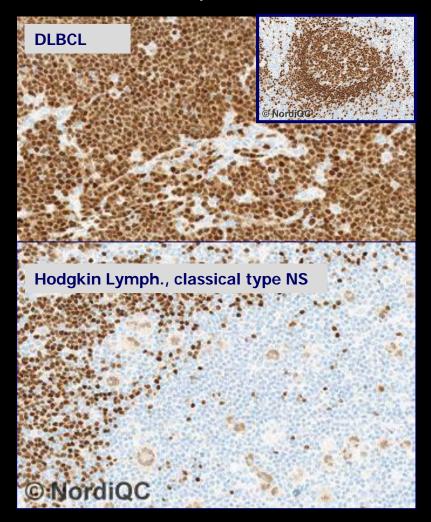
Proportion of sufficient stains (optimal or good)

Proportion of sufficient stains with optimal protocol settings only, see below.



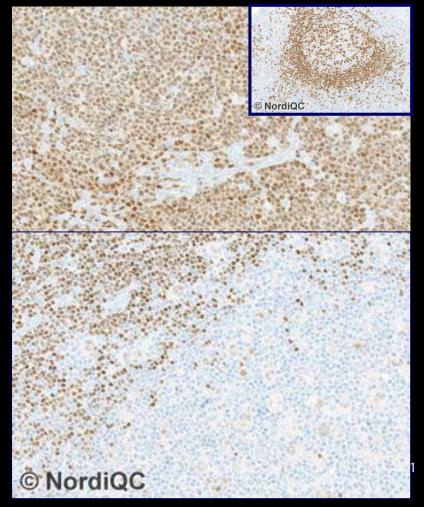
<u>Optimal</u>

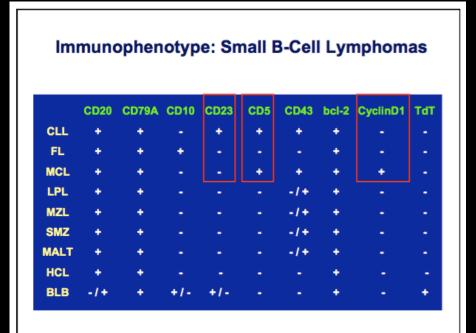
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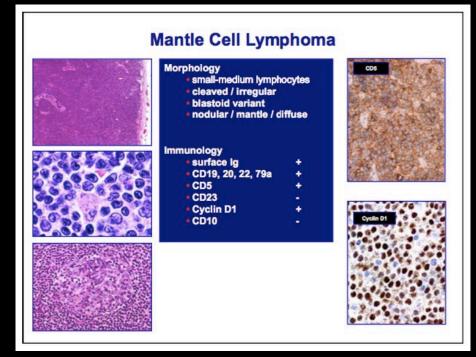


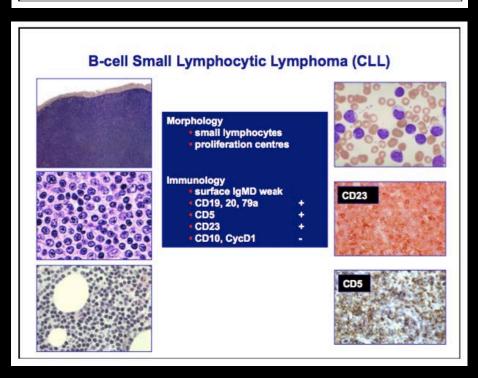
<u>Insufficient</u>

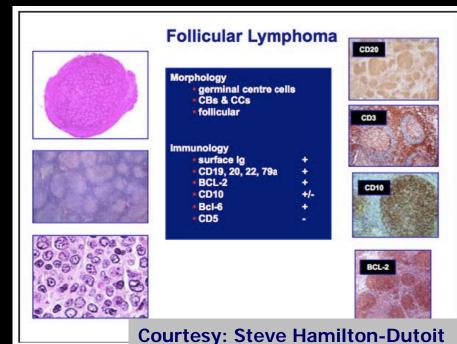
DAK-PAX5: (too low titre), UV (2-step multimer)













B-cells	Recommendable clones (conc.)	Less successful clones (conc.)	RTU "plug and play" giving optimal result
CD5	mAb 4C7 rmAb SP19	mAb CD5/54/F6 rmAb EP77	Dako: mAb 4C7 Leica: mAb 4C7 VMS: mAb SP19
CD23	mAb 1B12 mAb DAK-CD23 rmAb SP23	mAb MHM26	Dako: mAb DAK-CD23 Leica: mAb 1B12 Ventana: mAb SP23
CyD1	rmAb SP4 rmAb EP12	mAb DCS6 mAb P2D11F11	Dako: rmAb EP12 VMS: rmAb SP4



B-cells	Positive tissue control HE	Positive tissue control LE	Negative tissue control NE
CD5	Tonsil: T-cells	Tonsil: Mantle zone B-ells	Appendix: Epithelial cells, muscle cells etc
CD23	Tonsil: Follicular dendritic network	Appendix: Epithelial cells, muscle cells etc	
CyD1	Tonsil: Squamous epithelial cells	Tonsil: Germinal centre macrophages / endothelial cells	Tonsil: Mantle zone B-cells

CD5 CD23 CyD1



Performance history

This was the fifth NordiQC assessment of CD5. The overall pass rate was high and has increased significantly compared to the result obtained in run 34, 2012 (see table 2).

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	Run 8 2003	Run 17 2006	Run 24 2008	Run 34 2012	Run 49 2017				
Participants, n=	65	88	119	187	278				
Sufficient results	65%	66%	68%	79%	92%				

Performance history

This was the fifth NordiQC assessment of CD23. The overall pass rate was significantly higher compared with all previous runs for CD23 (see Table 2).

Table 2. Proportion of sufficient results for CD23 in the five NordiQC runs performed

	Run 8 2003	Run 19 2007	Run 24 2008	Run 34 2012	Run 50 2017
Participants, n=	59	88	114	181	270
Sufficient results	76%	54%	56%	73%	89%

Performance history

This was the fifth NordiQC assessment of CyD1. The pass rate was comparable to the previous run and maintained at a high and satisfactory level, as shown in table 2.

Table 2. Proportion of sufficient results for CvD1 in the five NordiQC runs performed

	Run 9 2003	Run 17 2006	Run 19 2007	Run 33 2011	Run 47 2016
Participants, n=	57	87	92	179	257
Sufficient results	53%	59%	75%	90%	94%

Concentrated antibodies	n	Vendor	Optimal	Good	Borderline	Poor	Suff.1	Suff. OPS ²
mAb clone 4 C 7		Leica/Novocastra Dako/Agilent Thermo S./LabVision Biocare Medical Cell Marque BioGenex Monosan	43	28	9	0	89%	93%
rmAb clone SP19	9 7 6 2	Thermo S./LabVision Cell Marque Spring Bioscience Zytomed Systems	15	5	2	2	83%	83%
rmAb clone EP77	1 1	Cell Marque Zeta	0	0	2	0	-	-
pAb E2474	1	Spring Bioscience	0	1	0	0	-	-
Ready-To-Use antibodies								
mAb clone 4C7 IR/IS082	39	Dako/Agilent	27	10	1	1	95%	97 %
mAb clone 4C7 IR/IS082 ³	13	Dako/Agilent	7	5	1	0	92%	-
mAb clone 4C7 PA0168	12	Leica Biosystems	9	2	1	0	92%	90%
mAb clone 4C7 PA0168 ⁴	7	Leica Biosystems	3	3	0	1	86%	-
mAb clone 4C7 205M-17/18	1	Cell Marque	1	0	0	0	-	-
mAb clone 4C7 MS-393-R7	1	Thermo S./LabVision	1	0	0	0	-	-
mAb clone 4C7 AM430-5/10	1	BioGenex	1	0	0	0	-	-
mAb clone 4C7 PDM095	1	Diagnostic BioSystems	1	0	0	0	-	-
mAb clone 4C7 PM099	1	Biocare medical	0	1	0	0	-	-
rmAb clone SP19 790-4451	88	Ventana/Roche	76	11	1	0	99%	99%
rmAb clone SP19 205R-17/18	4	Cell Marque	4	0	0	0	-	-
rmAb clone SP19 KIT-0033	1	Maixin	1	0	0	0		
rmAb clone EP77 MAD-000602QD	2	Master Diagnostica	0	1	0	1	-	-
Total	278		189	67	17	5	-	
Proportion			68%	24%	6%	2%	92%	

²⁾ Proportion of sufficient stains with optimal protocol settings only (see below).



HIER in high pH

3-step detection

Titre of primary Ab

RTU's superior to LDT's

³⁾ RTU system developed for the Dako/Agilent semi-automatic system (Autostainer) but used by laboratories on the Omnis platform (Dako/Agilent).

⁴⁾ RTU system developed for the Leica Biosystem full-automated systems (BOND III/MAX) but used by laboratories on different platforms (e.g. Ventana Benchmark) or manually.



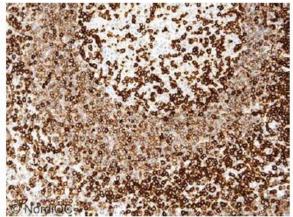


Fig. 2a (x200)
Optimal staining for CD5 in the tonsil, core 2, using same protocol as in Fig. 1a. T-cells are strongly stained and the majority of mantle zone B-cells show a weak to moderate staining reaction.

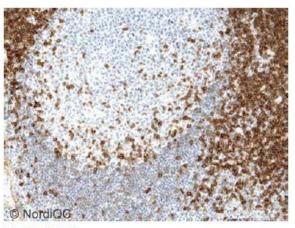


Fig. 2b (x200)
Insufficient staining for CD5 in the tonsil, core 2, using same protocol as in Fig. 1b. The intensity of the staining reaction in T-cells is reduced compared to the result obtained in Fig. 2a. However most important and critical; no staining reaction in the mantle zone B-cells is observed – compare with Fig. 2a (same field).

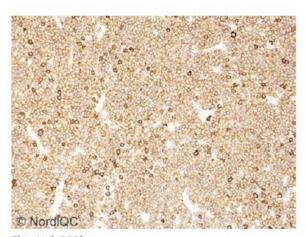


Fig. 4a (x200)
Optimal staining for CD5 of the MCL, core 4, using same protocol as in Figs. 1a - 3a. Virtual all the neoplastic cells show a weak to moderate, distinct membranous staining reaction. T-cells intermingling with the neoplastic cells show a strong membranous staining reaction.

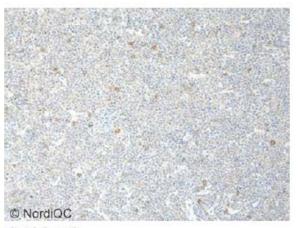


Fig. 4b (x200)
Insufficient staining for CD5 of the MCL, core 4, using same protocol as in Figs. 1b -3b. The neoplastic cells are false negative and only T-cells with reduced intensity are demonstrated - compare with Fig. 4a (same field).

Table 1. Antibodies and assessment marks for CD23, run 50 Suff. Concentrated antibodies n Optimal Good Borderline OPS2 51 Leica/Novocastra 3 Cell Marque mAb clone 1B12 27 2 Biocare 22 8 3 82% 87% Thermo F. Scientific Monosan mAb clone DAK-CD23 12 Agilent/Dako 5 4 2 1 75% 100% Nordic Biosite mAb clone BS20 0 0 0 mAb clone MRQ-57 0 mAb clone MHM6* Agilent/Dako 0 0 0 25 Thermo S./ Neomarkers Spring Bioscience rmAb clone SP23 Cell Margue 20 9 0 90% Immunologic 1 Diagnostic Biosystems Ready-To-Use antibodies mAb clone 1B12 Leica/Novocastra 0 0 89% 100% PA0169 mAb clone 1B123 3 Leica/Novocastra 2 0 1 PA0169 mAb clone 1B12 1 Cell Marque 0 0 123M-18 mAb clone 1B12 1 Biocare 0 0 PM100 mAb clone 1B12 1 Diagnostic Biosystems 0 0 PDM143 mAb clone DAK-CD23 31 Agilent/Dako 5 1 94% 92% 1 IR781 mAb clone DAK-CD23 7 Agilent/Dako 3 0 0 100% IR7814 mAb clone DAK-CD23 15 Agilent/Dako 1 0 0 100% 100% GA781 mAb clone DAK-CD23 1 Agilent/Dako 1 0 0 GA7815 mAb clone GR013 1 Sakura 0 8262-C010 rmAb clone SP23 78 Roche/Ventana 34 0 99% 99% 790-4408 rmAb clone SP23 5 Cell Margue 0 80% 3 1 1 100% 123R-17/18 rmAb clone SP23 3 Master Diagnostica 2 0 0 1 MAD-00333QD rmAb clone SP23 2 Spring Bioscience 0 0 0 M3231 rmAb clone SP23 1 Maixin RMA-0504 rmAb clone SP23 1 Agilent/Dako 0 IR800* rmAb clone EP75 1 Cell Marque 0 0 123R-27/28 pAb AR460-5/10R 1 Biogenex Total 270 149 92 22 7



HIER in high pH – 1B12 & SP23

HIER in low pH – DAK-CD23

3-step detection

Titre of primary Ab

RTU's superior to LDT's

Proportion 55% 34% 8% 3% 89%

1) Proportion of sufficient stains (optimal or good), 2) Proportion of sufficient stains with optimal protocol settings only, see below. 3) RTU system developed for the Leica/Novocastra full-automatic system (BOND III/MAX) but used by laboratories on e.g. a Ventana Benchmark Ultra (Roche/Ventana), 4) RTU system developed for the Agilent/Dako semi-automated systems (Autostainer) but used by laboratories on the Omnis (Agilent/Dako). 5) RTU used in a manual assay. "Product has been discontinued by the vendor."





Fig. 1a (x100)

Optimal staining reaction for CD23 of the tonsil using the mAb clone 1B12 as concentrate, carefully calibrated (1:10), HIER in an alkaline buffer (CC1, Ventana) and a 3step multimer based detection system (OptiView, Ventana) - same protocol used in Figs. 2a - 3a. The majority of B-cells in the mantle zone show a moderate but distinct membranous staining reaction. The follicular dendritic cells of the germinal centres display a strong staining reaction - compare with Fig. 1b.

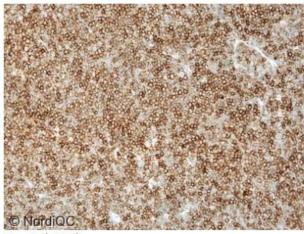


Fig. 3a (x200)

Optimal staining reaction for CD23 of the B-CLL, tissue core no. 4, using same protocol as in Figs. 1a and 2a. The vast majority of the neoplastic cells show a strong



Fig. 1b (x100)

Insufficient staining reaction for CD23 of the tonsil using the mAb clone 1B12 as concentrate (too diluted, 1:50), HIER in CC1 and with a detection system giving a too low sensitivity (UltraView, Ventana) - same protocol used in Figs. 2b - 3b. The intensity of the staining reaction is significantly reduced and the majority of B-cells in the mantle zone show an equivocal staining reaction compared with Fig. 1a (same field).

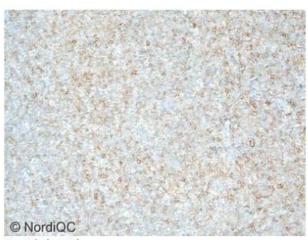


Fig. 3b (x200)

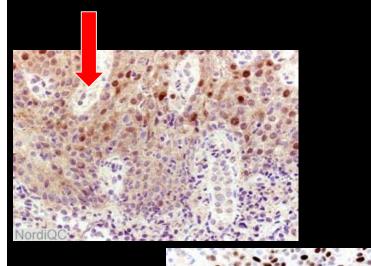
Insufficient staining reaction for CD23 of the B-CLL, tissue core no. 4, using same protocol as in Figs. 1b and 2b - same field as in Fig. 3a.

IHC – Cyclin D1



Table 1. Antibodies and assessment marks for CyD1, run 47								
Concentrated antibodies	n	Vendor	Optimal	Good	Borderline	Poor	Suff.1	Suff. OPS ²
mAb clone P2D11F11	4	Leica/Novocastra	0	2	2	0	-	-
rmAb clone EP12	13 1 1	Dako/Agilent Cell Marque Epitomics	8	6	1	0	93%	98%
rmAb clone SP4	69 6 5 4 2 1 1 1	Thermo/Neomarkers Cell Marque Biocare Spring Bioscience Zytomed Immunologic Maixin Nordic Biosite Thermo/Pierce	36	45	6	3	90%	92%
Unknown	1	Eptitomics	0	1	0	0	-	-
Ready-To-Use antibodies								
mAb clone P2D11F11 RTU-CYCLIN D1-GM	1	Leica/Novocastra	0	1	0	0	-	-
rmAb clone EP12 IR/IS083	57	Dako/Agilent	33	23	1	0	98%	100%
rmAb clone EP12 MAD-000630QD	3	Master Diagnostica	1	2	0	0	-	-
rmAb EP12 PME432	1	Biocare	1	0	0	0	-	-
rmAb EP12 PA0046	1	Leica/Novocastra	0	1	0	0	-	-
rmAb clone EPR2241(IHC)-32 AN474	1	Biogenex	0	1	0	0	-	-
rmAb clone SP4 790-4508	72	Ventana/Roche	54	17	1	0	99%	100%
rmAb clone SP4 760-4282*	5	Cell Marque/Ventana	5	0	0	0	-	-
rmAb clone SP4 IR152*	2	Dako	0	2	0	0	-	-
mAb clone SP4 RM-9104-R7	2	Thermo/Neomarkers	0	1	1	0	-	-
rmAb clone SP4 241R-18	1	Cell Marque	1	0	0	0	-	-
rmAb clone SP4 RMA-0541	1	Maixin	1	0	0	0	-	-
Total	257		140	102	12	3	-	
Proportion	Ĺ.,		54%	40%	5%	1%	94%	

Ab use	Run 9 2003	Run 47 2015
SP4 /	5%	98%
EP12	(3/57)	(251/257)
DCS6 /	86%	2%
P2D11F11	(49/57)	(5/257





Proportion of sufficient stains (optimal or good).
 Proportion of sufficient stains with optimal protocol settings only, see below. *discontinued products

IHC – Cyclin D1



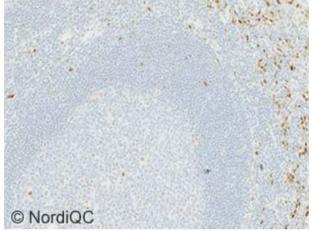


Fig. 2a
Optimal staining for Cyclin D1 of the tonsil, tissue core
no. 1, using same protocol as in Fig. 1a. High power field
x200.

Virtually all squamous epithelial cells, dispersed endothelial cells and germinal centre macrophages show a moderate to strong nuclear staining reaction. The vast majority of lymphocytes are negative and no background staining is seen.

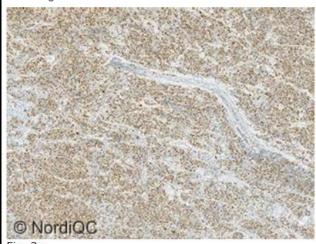


Fig. 3a
Optimal staining for Cyclin D1 of the mantle cell lymphoma, tissue core no. 4, using same protocol as in Figs. 1a & 2a.

Virtually all the neoplastic cells show a distinct, moderate

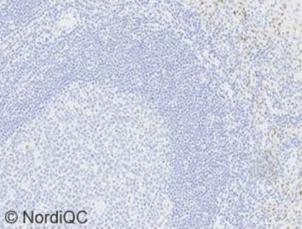


Fig. 2b
Insufficient staining for Cyclin D1 of the tonsil, tissue core no. 1, using same protocol as in Fig. 1b - same field as in Fig. 2a.
Only scattered squamous epithelial cells show a weak and equivocal staining reaction, while endothelial cells and germinal centre macrophages are negative.
Also compare with Fig. 3b, same protocol.

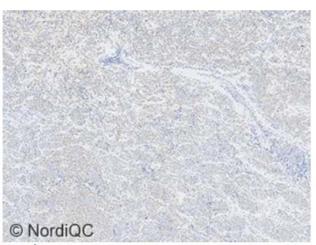


Fig. 3b
Insufficient staining for Cyclin D1 of the mantle cell lymphoma, tissue core no. 4, using same protocol as in Figs. 1b & 2b – same field as in Fig. 3a.
The proportion of positive cells and the intensity of the



Overall for haematololymphoid markers

Use primary Abs with the highest optimal score rates

NordiQC assessments

Perform a careful calibration / validation of LDTs and verification of RTUs

Use appropriate iCAPCs – right tissues / right staining pattern

Use efficient HIER in alkaline buffers (a few exceptions require low pH)

Proteolysis virtually a no-go

Use a sensitive and specific polymer/multimer based detection system

3-step systems are preferable





The fast lane.....

Hands-out will be supportive....

