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Leucocyte Immunophenotyping

# New Information for 2018/2019

EQA Programmes for Flow Cytometry  
and Molecular Haemato-Oncology

A background image showing several glass test tubes and a pipette. The pipette is positioned over one of the test tubes, with a small amount of liquid being dispensed. The scene is set in a laboratory environment with a soft, blue-toned lighting.

New programmes that we will be launching from April 1<sup>st</sup> 2018

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# Haematological Malignancy Bone Marrow Aspirate Assessment

This programme is designed to assess the ability of participants to identify cell types in a bone marrow aspirate.

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## Cerebrospinal Fluid (CSF) Immunophenotyping

The infiltration of leukaemic cells into cerebrospinal fluids (CSF) is often associated with a poor prognosis. This programme is designed to assess a laboratory's ability to immunophenotype leukaemic cells in CSF by flow cytometry. A sample of CSF will be provided together with a digital cytospin image for preliminary morphological analysis prior to undertaking flow cytometric assessment.

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## Minimal Residual Disease Detection by Flow Cytometry in Plasma Cell Myeloma

The measurement of minimal residual disease (MRD) populations is often performed following treatment for leukaemic disorders. The levels are used as a predictive factor for relapse or an indicator for patients entering remission. This programme is designed to assess a laboratory's ability to detect plasma cell myeloma MRD by flow cytometry.

Should you wish to participate in the new programmes or any of the existing ones, please contact\*

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