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Haematology and Transfusion

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Survey Contents:

Specimen 2305LN1 Umbilical cord blood spiked with Hb SS blood

Specimen 2305LN2 Umbilical cord blood spiked with Hb SS blood

Non Participation Penalty:

Specimen Quality 2305LN2

Satisfactory 40 40 0 0 Unsatisfactory Satisfactory You reported: Satisfactory

2305LN1

Return Rate

Specimens were distributed to 41 participants.

40 participants returned results.

This represents a 97% return rate.

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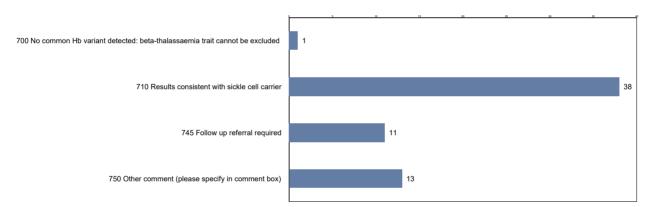
Specimen: 2305LN1

Sex	Female	RBC	(10 ¹² /L)	5.14
Ethnic Origin	African	Hb	(g/L)	165
Age	24 hours	MCV	(fL)	107.2
	Father has sickle cell disease	MCH	(pg)	32.1

Fraction Identification

Fraction	Expected	Essential	Your Results	Reported by all participants
Hb F	Expected	Essential	Present	39
Hb A	Expected	Essential	Present	39
Hb S	Expected	Essential	Present	39
Hb C			Absent	0
Hb D			Absent	0
Hb E			Absent	0
Hb C or E			Absent	0
Hb Non Specified			Absent	0

Analysis of Interpretation Codes



Data Analysis

Top five reported comments (see graph for all reported comments)

Code	Comment	Rank	Number
710	Results consistent with sickle cell carrier	1	38
750	Other comment (please specify in comm	2	13
745	Follow up referral required	3	11
700	No common Hb variant detected: beta-th	4	1

Reported Comments

Your reported comments with the number of participants that reported the same comment

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Comments:

2305LN1 simulated a specimen from a newborn, African, female infant. The baby's father has sickle cell disease.

Haemoglobinopathy analysis indicated the presence of Hb F, Hb A and Hb S.

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39/40 (98%) reported the expected fractions (Hb F, Hb A and Hb S). The remaining 1 reported a blank result.

38/39 participants (100%) reported the correct interpretation code 710 (results consistent with sickle cell carrier). One participant reported code 700 (No common Hb variant detected) which is incorrect. Some also suggested follow up referral and/or provided a free text comment.

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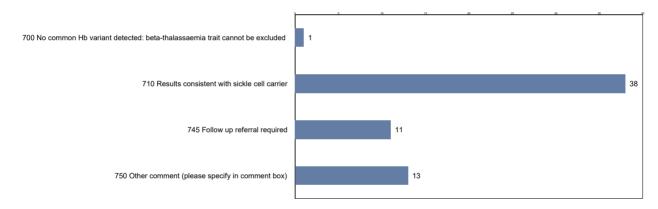
Specimen: 2305LN2

Sex	Male	RBC	(10 ¹² /L)	4.99
Ethnic Origin	African	Hb	(g/L)	159
Age	24 hours	MCV	(fL)	112.4
	Mother is a sickle cell carrier	MCH	(pg)	31.9

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Comments:

2305LN2 simulated a specimen from a newborn, African, male infant. The baby's mother is a sickle carrier.

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