

YOUR LOCAL VETNOSTICS TEAM

Due to popular demand, QML Vetnostics has been growing! Last month we added a Specialist Clinical Pathologist and an additional Specialist General Pathologist will start early in 2014. This means we will have a very high pathologist to case ratio, which translates into even faster turnaround times and extra pathologist time dedicated to helping you with your difficult cases.

WELCOME DR SUSAN BOYD, SPECIALIST CLINICAL PATHOLOGIST

**Dr Susan Boyd BVSc MANZCVSc (Small Animal Medicine) Cert SAM
Dip ACVP (Clinical Pathology)**

After graduating Veterinary Science at the University of Queensland, Susan spent several years in small animal practice in Australia and the UK, during which time she achieved Membership of the Australian and New Zealand College of Veterinary Scientists in Small Animal Medicine and completed the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons Certificate of Small Animal Medicine. In 2002, Susan commenced a residency in clinical pathology at The Royal Veterinary College, UK, which was followed by a temporary lectureship there.

She is a diplomat of the American College of Veterinary Pathologists in Clinical Pathology.

With over 10 years experience in diagnostic clinical pathology, Susan enjoys all facets of clinical pathology, with a particular interest in haematology, including haematology of exotic species, and cytology including bone marrow disease.

LYMPHOMA IMMUNOCYTOCHEMISTRY FAQ

Reminder to send your lymphoma cytology cases to QML Vetnostics:

QML Vetnostics is presently the only laboratory in Queensland offering immunocytochemistry to differentiate T and B lymphocytes. This test has been very popular as designation of T vs. B cell phenotype is often considered when planning medical management of lymphoma and, depending on context, can be prognostically significant. This test is available for \$90.00* excluding GST.

Here are some other FAQs:

How many smears are needed?

Three quality smears are needed. Cytology charges allow for up to seven smears per FNA site.

Can I examine the smears before submitting them?

Yes. The quality of a slide may be checked inhouse with a Diff Quik stain to ensure adequate cellularity.

I already know it is lymphoma; do I have to pay for cytology too?

Yes. It is an interpretive test where the morphology of cells staining with the T and B cell markers must also be examined by conventional cytology.

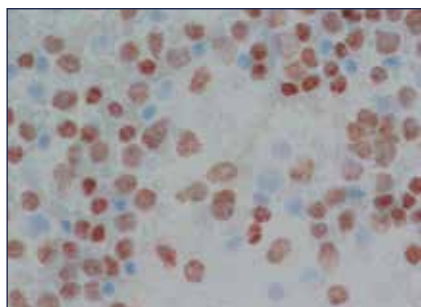
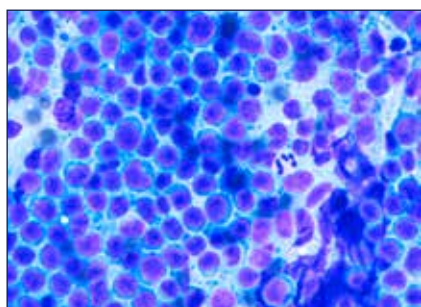
Can I forward smears I sent to another laboratory to QML Vetnostics?

No. Cytology smears typically remain on file at the laboratory that has reported on them. If you are working up a case of potential lymphoma, consider submitting smears to QML Vetnostics initially in order to avoid having to collect and pay for two sets of FNA smears.

*Price correct at time of printing and is subject to change.



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To order QML Vetnostics
Pathology CPD request forms,
please call 1300 VET QML
(1300 838 765)
and select option 6
(All other enquiries).

Earn CPD points by submitting cytology and histopathology specimens to QML Vetnostics

QML Pathology Vetnostics now offers an innovative continuing professional development service, exclusive to its veterinarian clients.

The program enables veterinarians to systematically assess their diagnostic accuracy in the clinical setting, with the ultimate goal of improving both their pathology skills and the quality of patient care.

EARN CPD POINTS

Earn **one** structured CPD point for every **four** specimens submitted, where a clinical workup has been sufficiently documented and clinical diagnoses are accurate.

NO NEED TO REGISTER

Participants simply need to submit samples together with a completed **QML Vetnostics Pathology CPD Program request form** to participate and automatically receive program reports and CPD points.

RECEIVE REPORTS ANNUALLY

A CPD points certificate, and report will be provided to participants annually, detailing:

- total number of examined specimens
- prevalence of lesion types observed
- diagnostic accuracy for each lesion type
- margin clearance (Histo only).

INTRODUCING IMPROVED PHONE LINES

QML Pathology Vetnostics has launched an improved phone system to provide a more efficient and convenient service to you. The user-friendly system gives you easy access to the appropriate department for your query via a short list of menu options.

Call 1300 VET QML (1300 838 765)



Calls will be charged at local rates from landlines. Mobile charges may vary.

Email Newsletter

If you would prefer to receive the newsletter and other updates via email rather than hard copy, please send your details to vetnostics@qml.com.au or phone 1300 838 765 – option 6.