



Dear Colleague,

The results of EFCS recent survey have shown that cell blocks (CBs) practices vary widely among European laboratories and, most importantly, that low cellularity is the main problem with CBs in daily cytology practice, regardless of the CB preparation method used.

To further evaluate the differences in cellular yield and performance of different CB preparation methods, we will soon start the second EFCS CB project and we would like to ask you and your laboratory to participate in this important project.

The main task of your laboratory participating in this project will be to evaluate cellularity of HE sections of 50 **consecutive** CBs prepared in your laboratory using just one method by two in-house assessors. One person from each participating lab will be included as a co-author.

All selected participant laboratories will receive detailed instructions for CBs selection, data entry, and cellular assessment criteria. Besides, instructions and assessment criteria will be presented and discussed during on-line meeting.

Kindly ask that you confirm your participation by sending an e-mail to irena.srebotnik-kirbis@mf.uni-lj.si with an indication about CBs preparation method and feel free to ask any additional questions.