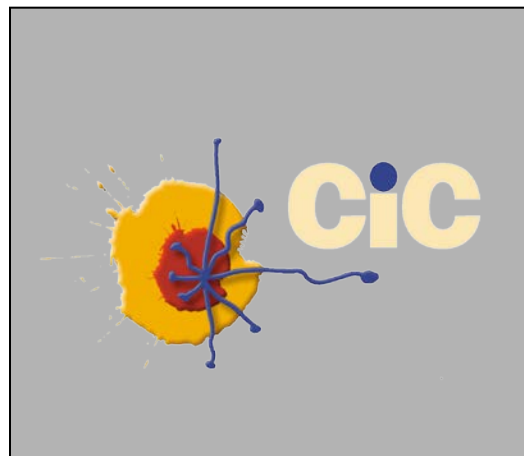


Diagnóstico y clasificación de los síndromes linfoproliferativos crónicos B



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FCM IMMUNOPHENOTYPING IN THE 80'S: PANELS OF REAGENTS AND TECHNIQUES

PANELS OF REAGENTS:

- Panels of relevant markers to support suspected diagnosis of:
 - AML, ALL
 - MM
 - B-CLPD, T-CLPD

TECHNIQUES:

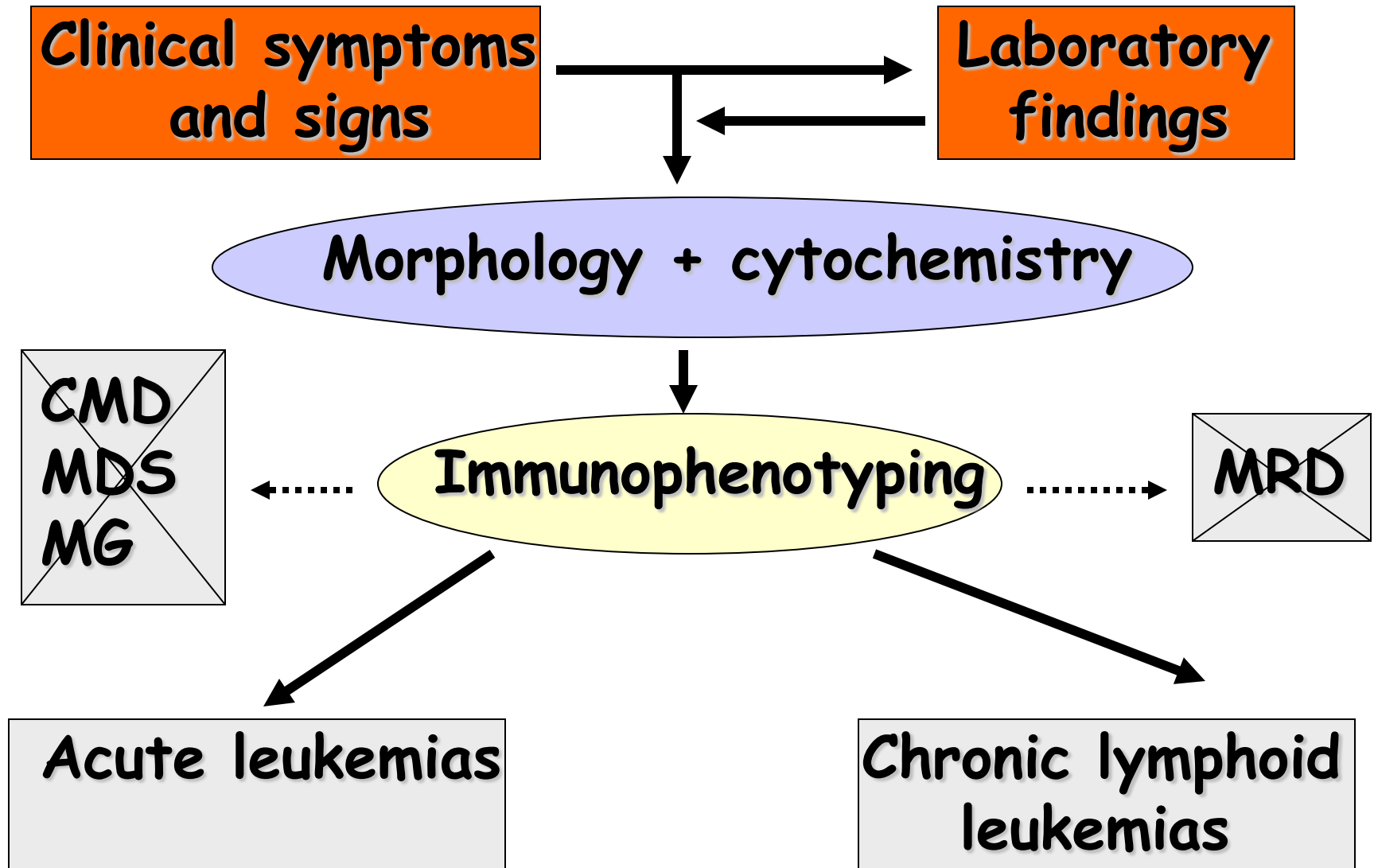
- Isolation of MNC
- Indirect and direct IF
- Single stainings
- Difficult to distinguish normal/leukemic cells
- Few fluorochrome conjugated MAbs available
- Few fluorochrome available

MATUTES et al SCORE FOR B-CLL

MARKER	EXPRESSION	SCORE
CD5	positive	1
CD23	positive	1
FMC7	negative	1
sIg	dim	1
CD22/CD79b	dim/dim	1

Scores in **CLL** range **from 3 to 5**, while in other B-CLPD range between 0 and 2

DIAGNOSIS OF HAEMATOLOGICAL MALIGNANCIES



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PANELS OF REAGENTS:

- Panels of informative combinations of markers for:

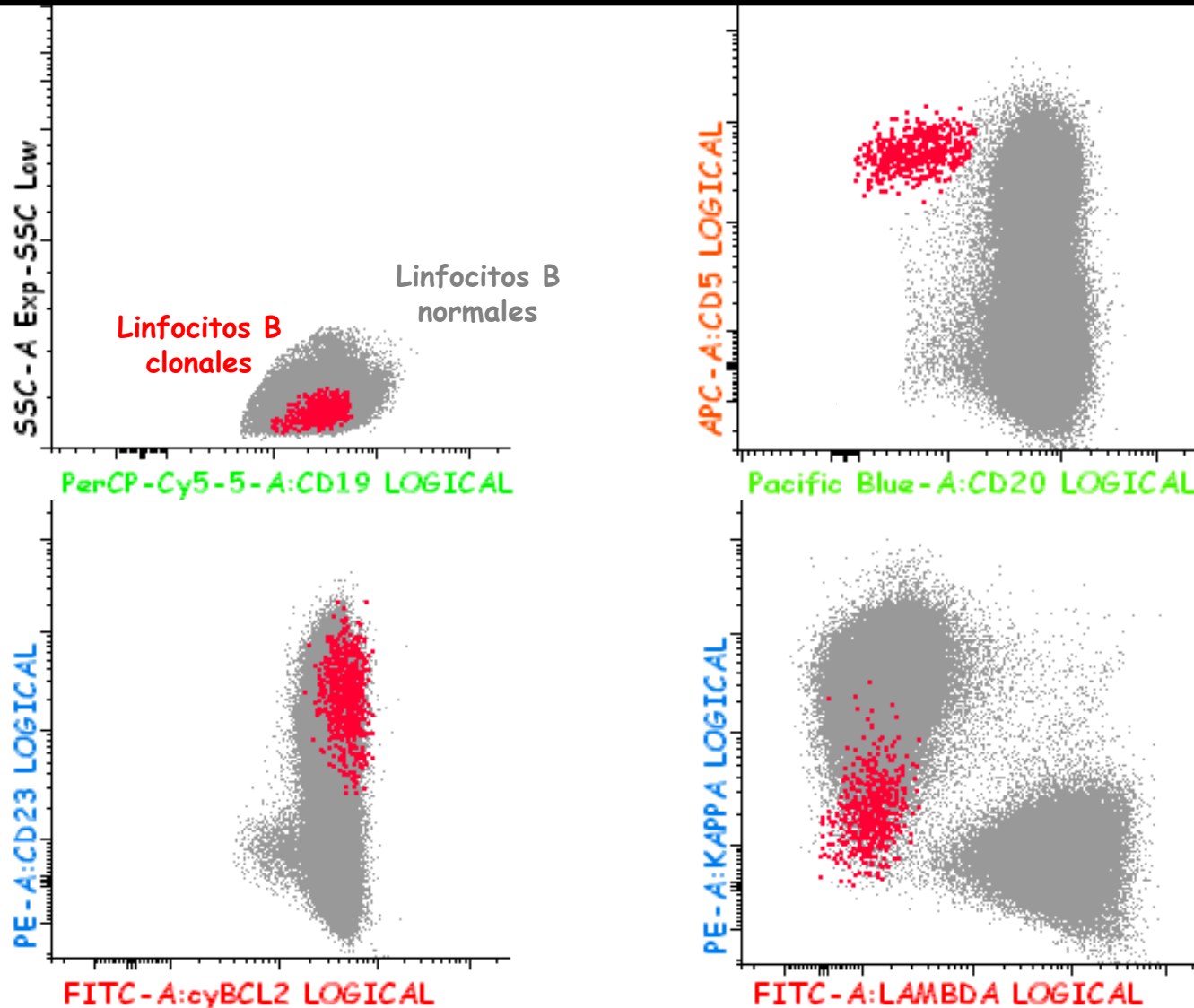
- AML, ALL, BAL
- MM, WM, MGUS
- B-CLPD, T-CLPD
- MDS

Diagnosis & follow-up of
MRD in acute
leukaemias, CLPD & MM

TECHNIQUES:

- Non-NRBC lysis
- Direct IF
- Multiple stainings
- Distinct normal vs leukemic phenotypes
- Many fluorochrome conjugated MAb available
- Increased number of fluorochrome available

Immunophenotypic identification of PB B-cells with a CLL-like phenotype

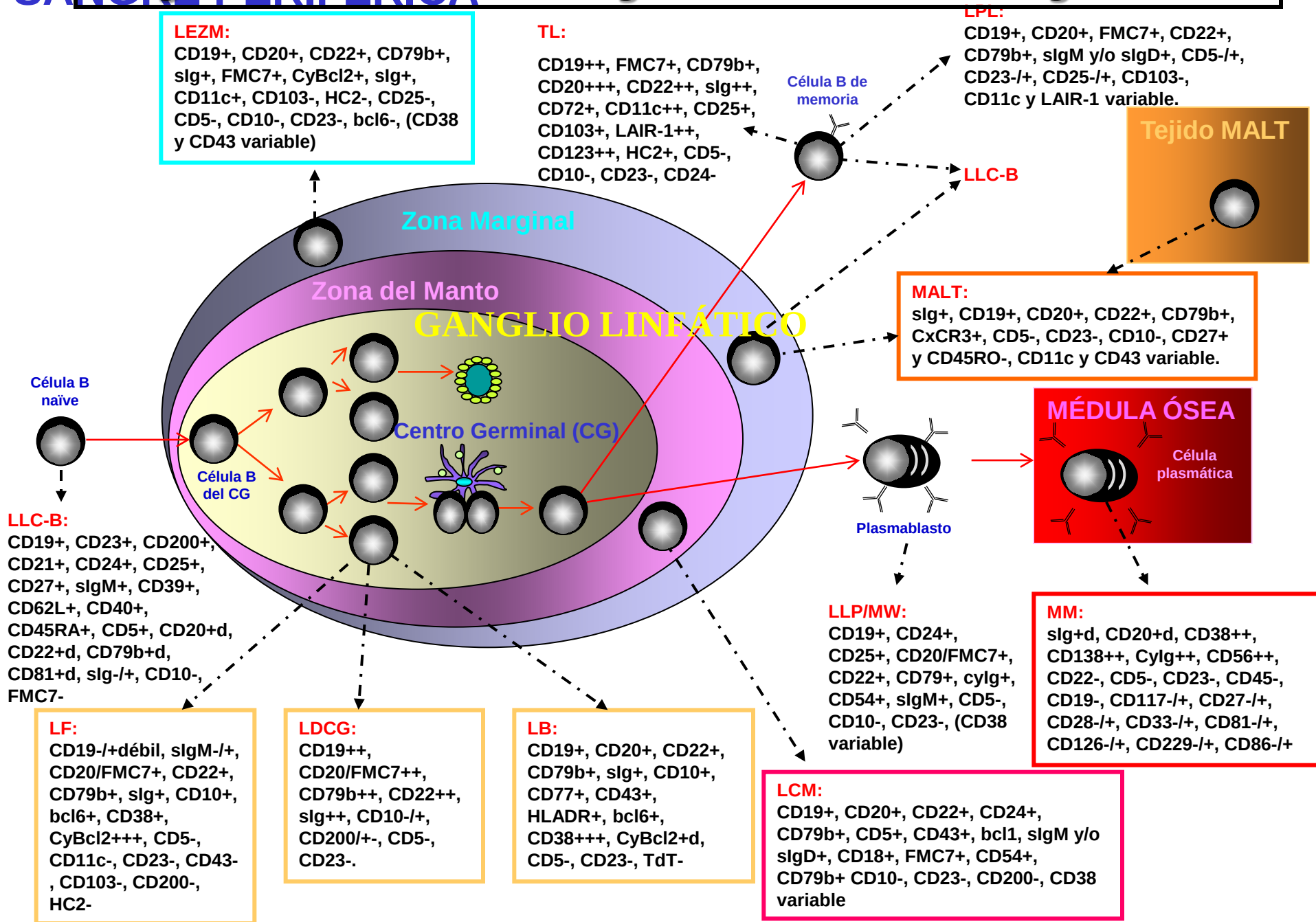


**0.35% of all B-cells & 0.03% of all leucocytes*

MINIMAL RESIDUAL DISEASE IN B-CLL

	Aberrant criteria	Sensitivity	Prognostic value
Brugiatelli M <i>et al.</i> (Cancer 1989)	sIgκ ⁺ /sIgλ ⁺ ratio	10 ⁻²	Yes
Robertson LE <i>et al.</i> (Blood 1992)	sIgκ ⁺ /sIgλ ⁺ ratio	10 ⁻²	Yes
Leonormand B <i>et al.</i> (Leukemia 1994)	CD19 ⁺ /CD5 ⁺	10 ⁻³	Yes
Cabezudo E <i>et al.</i> (Leukemia, 1997)	CD19 ⁺ /CD5 ⁺	10 ⁻³	Yes
García-Vela A <i>et al.</i> (Leukemia, 1999)	CD19 ⁺ /CD79b ⁺ d	10 ⁻⁴	Yes
Rawstron AC <i>et al.</i> (Blood 2001)	CD19 ⁺ /CD20 ⁺ d/CD5 ⁺ /CD79b ⁺ d	10 ⁻⁴	Yes
Maloum K <i>et al.</i> (Br J Haematol 2002)	CD19 ⁺ /CD20 ⁺ d/CD5 ⁺ /CD79b ⁺ d	10 ⁻⁴	Yes
Gupta R <i>et al.</i> (Am J Clin Pathol 2004)	CD19 ⁺ /CD5 ⁺	10 ⁻³	Not analyzed
Bottcher S <i>et al.</i> (Leukemia 2004)	CD19 ⁺ /CD5 ⁺ /CD43 ⁺ /CD20 ⁺ d	10 ⁻⁴	Not analyzed
Moreton P <i>et al.</i> (J Clin Oncol 2005)	CD19 ⁺ /CD20 ⁺ d/CD5 ⁺ /CD79b ⁺ d	10 ⁻⁵	Yes
Montillo M <i>et al.</i> (Cancer Invest 2005)	CD19 ⁺ /CD20 ⁺ d/CD5 ⁺ /CD79b ⁺ d	10 ⁻⁵	Yes

Origen de los SLR-C-B según su célula homóloga normal



What problems are we experiencing?

- **Many reagents:** costly and complex
- **Need expertise** in normal (& reference) cell populations
- **Time** consuming
- Technical limitations
- **Many (my) strategies** to reach a similar result but suboptimal
- Not standardized: **reproducibly harmonized?**
- Partial and more limited **clinical utility** than expected

STANDARDIZATION EFFORTS FOR IMMUNOPHENOTYPIC STUDIES

- **CLSI** (Clinical Laboratory Standards Institute):
 - Stetler-Stevenson et al.: Clinical flow cytometric analysis of neoplastic hematolymphoid cells; Approved guideline. CLSI document H43-A2. CLSI, 2007
- **CCS** (Clinical Cytometry Society):
 - Davis et al: 2006 Bethesda International Consensus recommendations on the flow cytometric immunophenotypic analysis of hematolymphoid neoplasias. Clin Cytometry, 72B, 2007.
- **ESCCA** (European Society for Clinical Cell Analysis: www.escca.eu)
- **European Leukemia Net** (www.leukemia-net.org)
- **Consenso Latinoamericano** (Clin Cytometry, 1998 y 2006)

Diagnostics in hemato-oncology

1. Making the diagnosis

Normal ↔ reactive/regenerating ↔ malignant

Annually > 300,000 new patients with a hematological malignancy in developed countries

2. Classification of hematopoietic malignancies

- relation with prognosis
- relevance of risk-group definition in treatment protocols

➔ Based on differentiation characteristics and particularly on chromosome aberrations, resulting in fusion gene transcripts or aberrantly (over) expressed genes

3. Evaluation of treatment effectiveness

Detection of minimal residual disease (MRD):

MRD-based risk-group stratification (treatment reduction or treatment intensification)

Annually > 400,000 follow-up samples in leukemia patients (ALL, AML, CML)

DIAGNOSIS OF CLONALITY: CLINICAL QUESTIONS

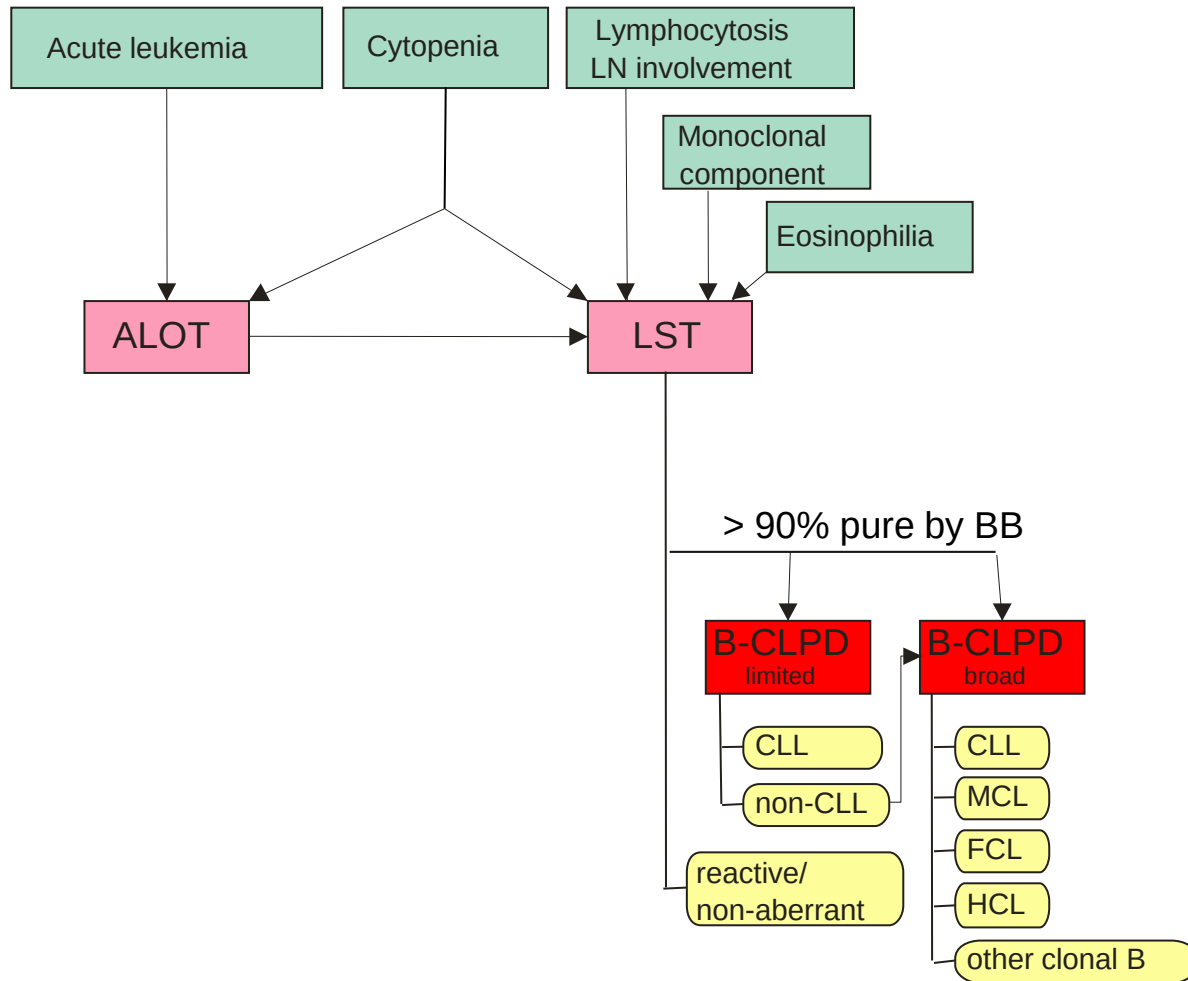
- Is this lymphocytosis clonal?
- Is this tissue enlarged because of an underlying clonal LPD?
- Are there clonal lymphocytes in this "apparently" normal tissue?/Is there minimal disease?

THE B-CLPD EuroFlow PANEL

Prepared by Sebastian Böttcher for



B-CLPD: Diagnostic work-flow



Lymphocytosis Screening Tube (LST)

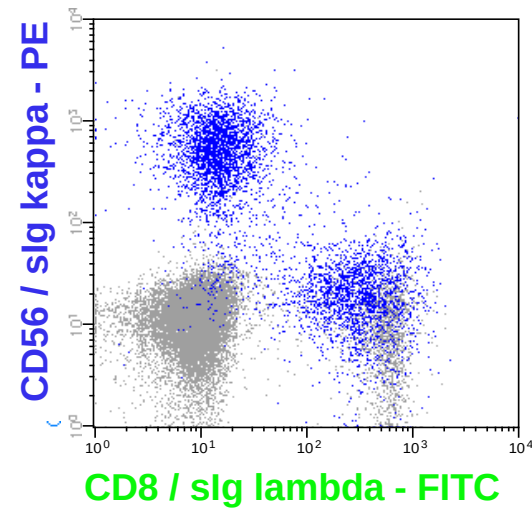
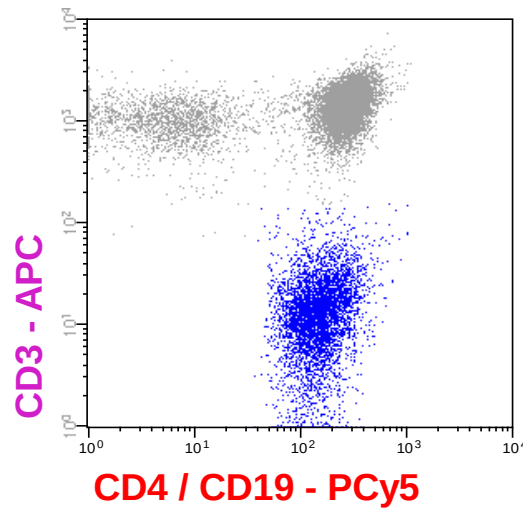
Aim: *DIAGNOSTIC SCREENING OF B, T & NK CELL CLPD to identify the cell lineage involved (in the lymphocytosis), to detect the most common aberrant phenotypes (CD5), and to assess B-cell clonality*

Pacific Blue	Pacific Orange	FITC	PE	PerCP Cy5.5	PECy7	APC	APC-H7
CD20 CD4	CD45	CD8 Anti-Igλ	CD56 Anti-Igκ	CD5	CD19 Anti-TCRγδ	sCD3	CD38

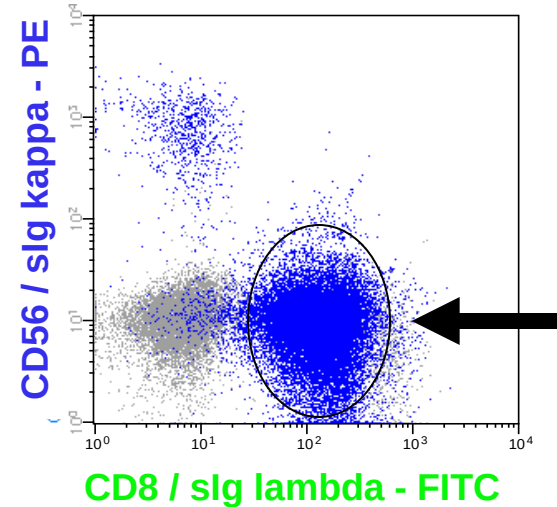
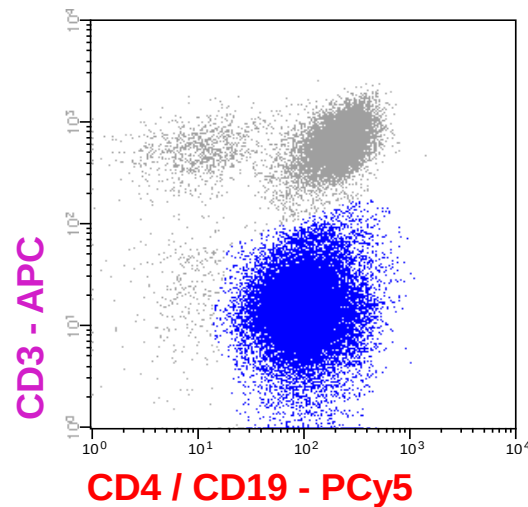
- ▶ Markers aiming at identification of B-lineage cells, common B-cell aberrancies and to assess B-cell clonality
- ▶ Markers aiming at identification of T cells and T-cell subsets:
 - .- TCRγδ vs TCRαβ (non-TCRγδ)
 - .- CD4+/CD8-; CD4-/CD8+; CD4+/CD8+; CD4-/CD8- and T-cell aberrancies
- ▶ Markers aiming at identification of NK cells, and NK-cell subsets

RAPID SCREENING OF LYMPHOID MALIGNANCIES IN FNA FROM TISSUE SAMPLES

NORMAL
LYMPH NODE



B-CLPD
LYMPH NODE



RAPID FCM SCREENING OF CLONAL B-CELLS: ABSOLUTE LYMPHOCYTOSIS ($> 3.5 \times 10^9/L$)

	Conventional Morphology	Flow Cytometry	Final Diagnosis
Reactive	25	32	32
Doubtful	21	0	
Neoplastic	63	77	77

Sensitivity	95%	100%
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Specificity	75%/100%*	100%
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*Considering only the neoplastic group

Costa et al, Leukemia, 2006

B-CPLD panel

	Pac Blue	Pac Orange	FITC	PE	PerCP- Cy5.5	PECy7	APC	APC-H7
1	CD20	CD45				CD19		
2	CD20	CD45				CD19		
3	CD20	CD45				CD19		
4	CD20	CD45				CD19		
5	CD20	CD45				CD19		

1= LST	CD20 / CD4	CD45	Λ/CD8	κ/CD56	CD5	CD19 / TCRγ/δ	CD3	CD38
2	CD20	CD45	CD23	CD10	CD79b	CD19	CD200	CD43
3	CD20	CD45	CD31	LAIR	CD11c	CD19	IgM	CD81
4	CD20	CD45	CD103	CD95	CD22	CD19	CXCR5	CD49d
5	CD20	CD45	CD62L	CD39	HLA-DR	CD19	CD27	

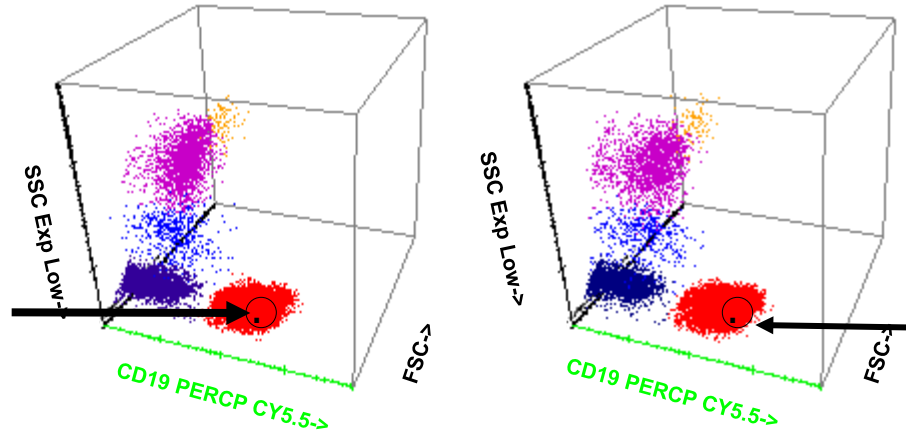
DATA CALCULATION IN THE INFINICYT™ SOFTWARE

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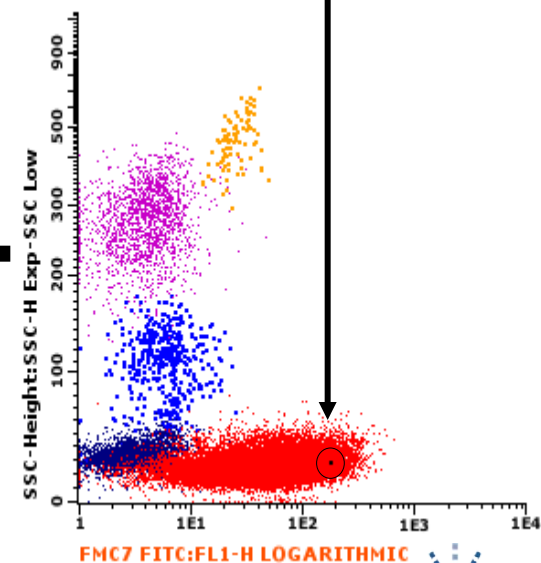
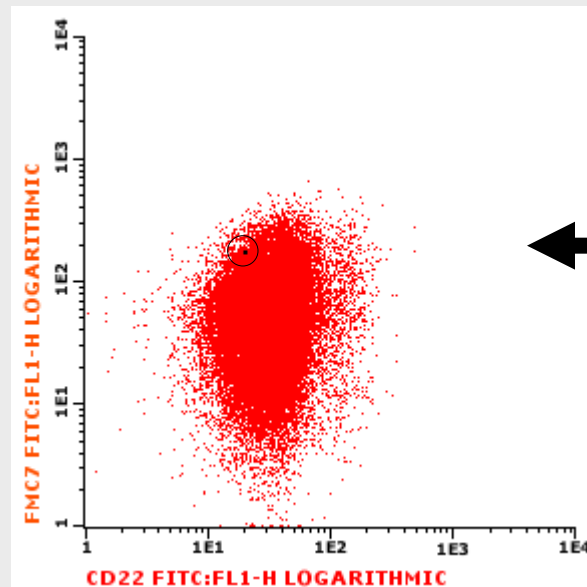
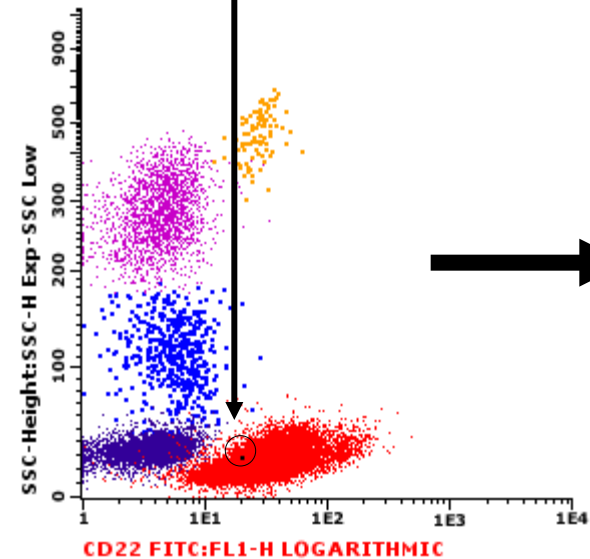
Tube 2

Event X in tube 1

Event Y: Nearest neighbour
of event X in tube 2



Calculated FMC7 value for event
X in tube 1 (based on data from
event Y in tube 2)



MERGED & CALCULATED LISTMODE DATA FILE

Parameters	Parameters\File	Files					
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	SSC-A	C	C	C	C	C	C
	KAPPA:FITC-A	R	E	E	E	E	E
	LAIF	R	E	E	E	E	E
	CD 6 Files x	R	R	R	R	R	E
	CD 10 parameters x	C	C	C	C	C	C
	IgM	R	E	E	E	E	E
	CD 100.000 events	C	C	C	C	C	C
	CD45-PO:AmCyan-B	C	C	C	C	C	C
	CD103:FITC-A	E	R	E	E	E	E
	CD10:PE-A	E	R	E	E	E	E
	CD43:APC-A	E	R	E	E	E	E
	CD81:FITC-A	E	E	R	E	E	E
	CD79b:PE-A	E	E	R	E	E	E
	CD2	E	E	R	E	E	E
	CD3	E	E	E	R	E	E
	CD6	E	E	E	R	E	E
	CXC	E	E	E	R	E	E
	CD2	E	E	E	E	R	E
	LAIF	E	E	E	E	R	E
	CD11a:APC-A	E	E	E	E	R	E
	CD38:FITC-A	E	E	E	E	E	R
	CD25:PE-A	E	E	E	E	E	R
	CD138:PerCP-Cy5-5-A	E	E	E	E	E	R

Parameter coding

C = Common
R = Measured
E = Calculated

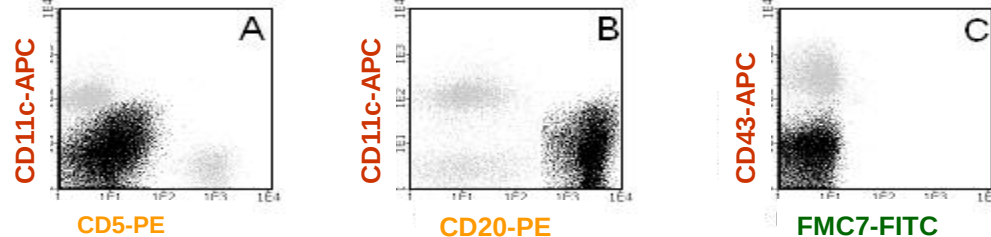
CALCULATED VS MEASURED DATA

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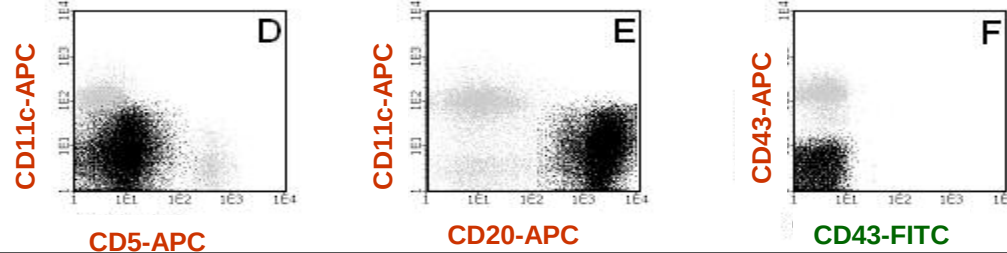
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Real data (generated with antibodies conjugated with distinct fluorochrome)



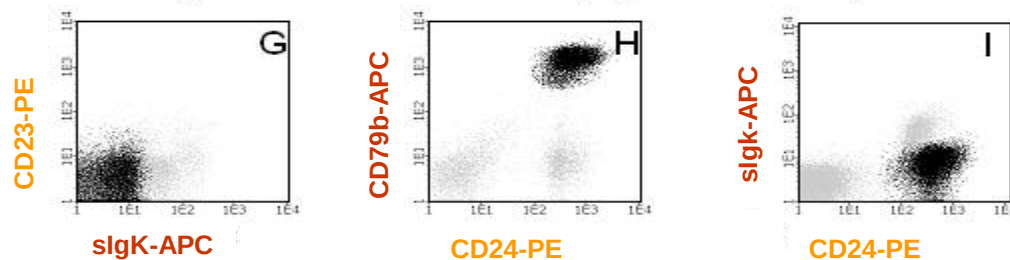
Calculated data (Originally impossible 2-dimensional dot-plot representations)



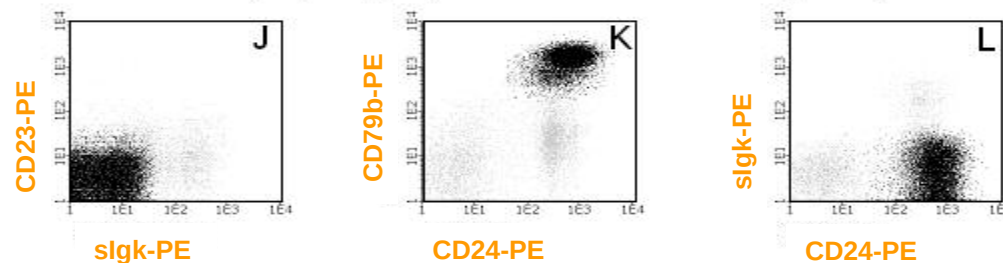
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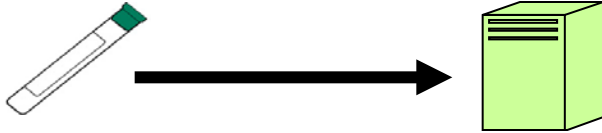
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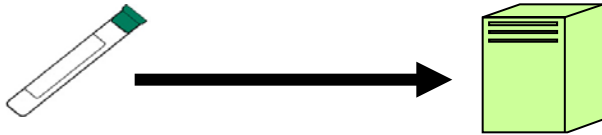
Pedreira et al,
Cytometry A,
2008

REFERENCE DATAFILES FOR CLL B-CELLS

CLL case 1



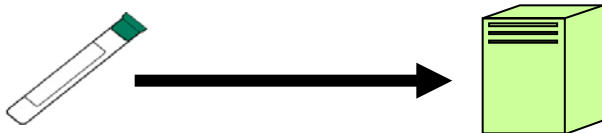
CLL case 2



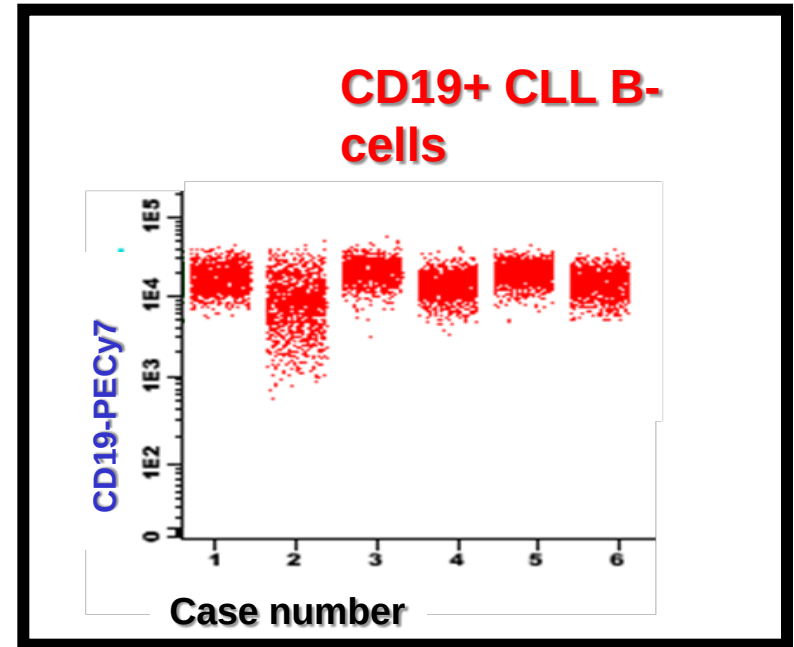
CLL case 3



CLL case 4



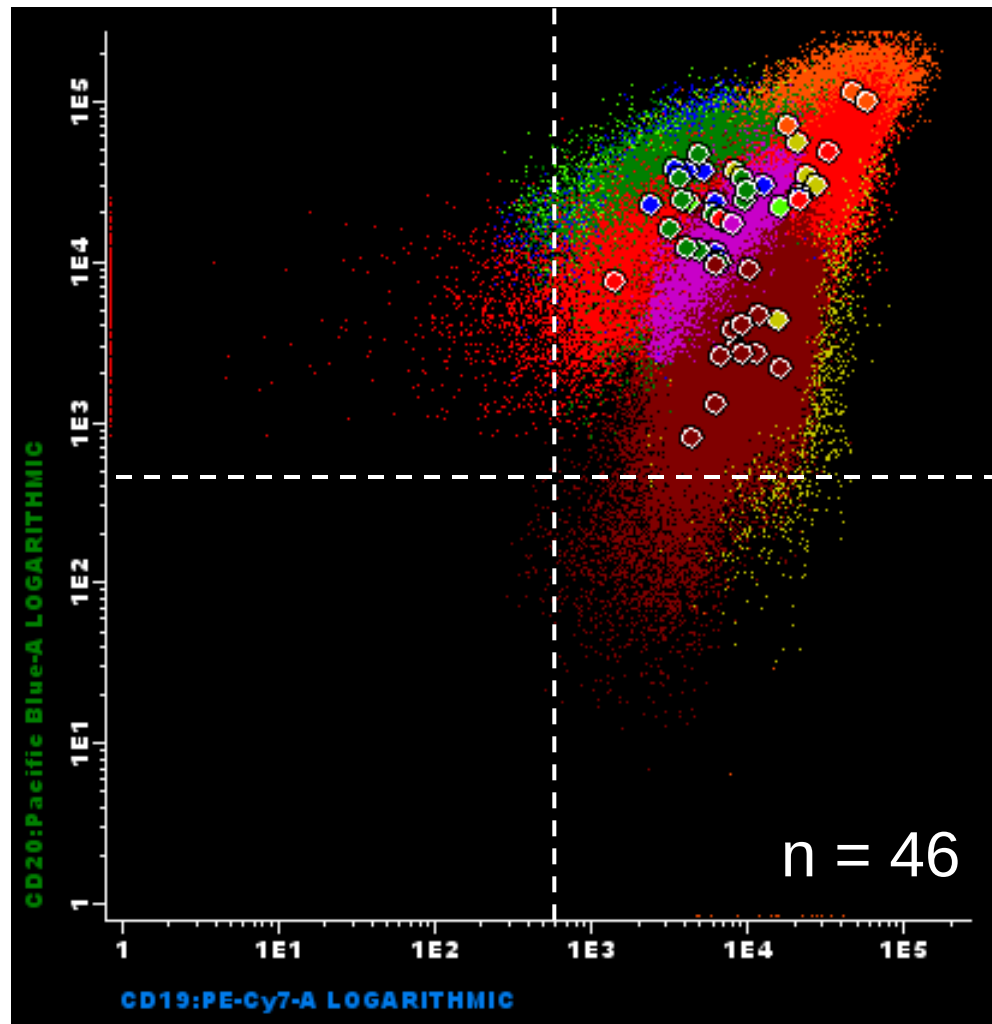
Merge Calculated Data files



Backbone markers

- Backbone markers should identify all B cells
- Aberrant underexpression of CD19 and/or CD20 frequently observed
- κ/CD37/λ/CD19/CD22/CD20 tested in 69 B-NHL cases
- Conclusion: CD37 & CD22 redundant, as CD20 Pacific Blue plus CD19 PE-Cy7 sufficient to identify all malignant B cells in all cases

Backbone markers



No problems to include malignant clone in 190 cases

Characterization markers

Normal B lymphopoiesis

CD10, CD20, CD22
CD24, CD27, CD38
CD39, CD43, CD63
CD81, CD95, CD138
Bcl-2, HLA-DR, IgM

B cell homing

CD11a, CD11c,
CD31, CD49d,
CD62L, CXCR5,
CCR6, LAIR1

Known to differentiate

CD5, CD23, CD25
FMC7, CD79b,
CD103, CD200, slg

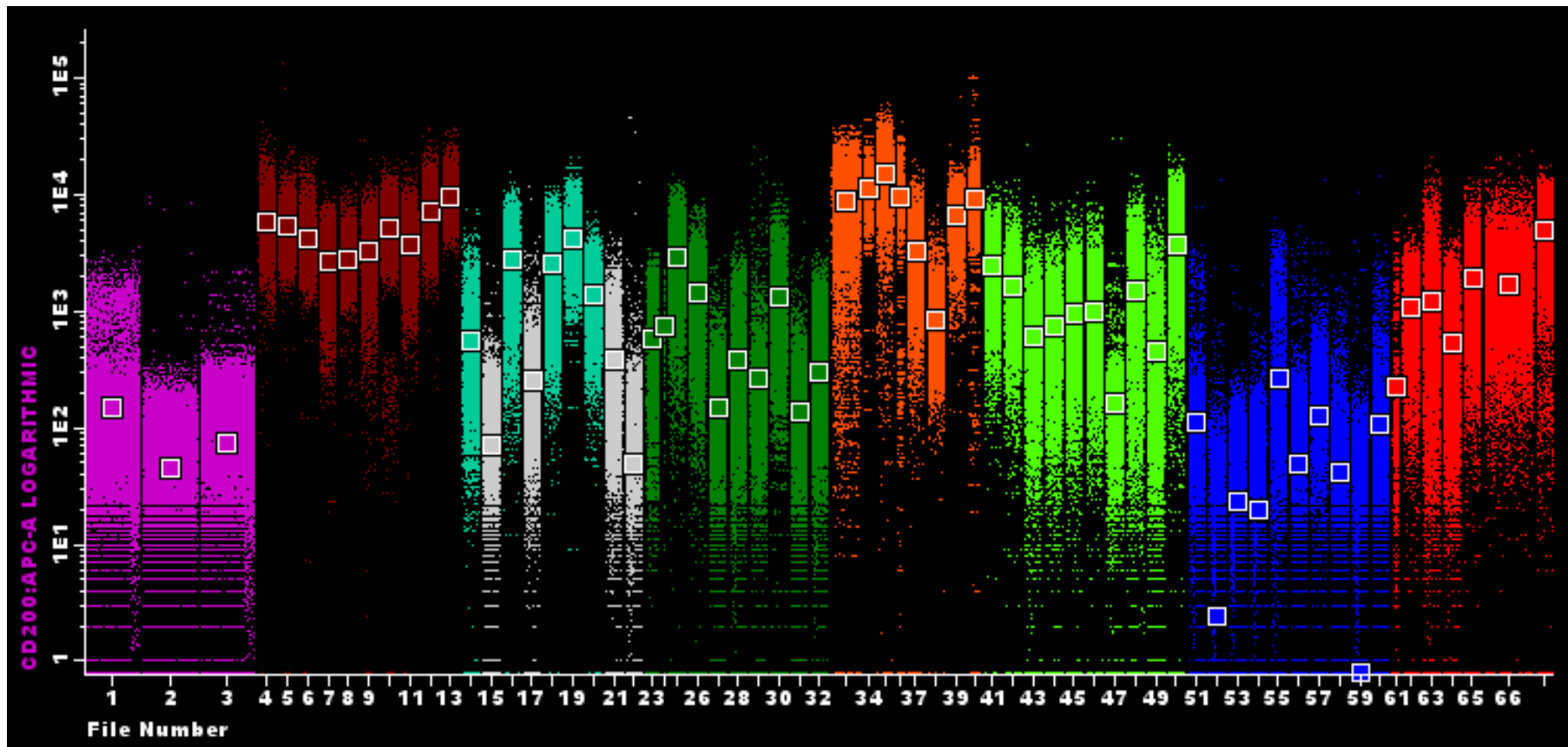
Characterization markers

Taken out:

- **univariate analysis:** CD11a, CD63, CD138
- **multivariate analysis** (INFINICYT software):
 - bcl-2
 - CD24
 - CD25(no significant contribution for 1 x 1 differential diagnosis between any two B-CLPD entities)

UTILITY OF THE B-CLPD EuroFlow PANEL

Characterization markers: CD200



BL

CLL

DLBCL

FL

HCL

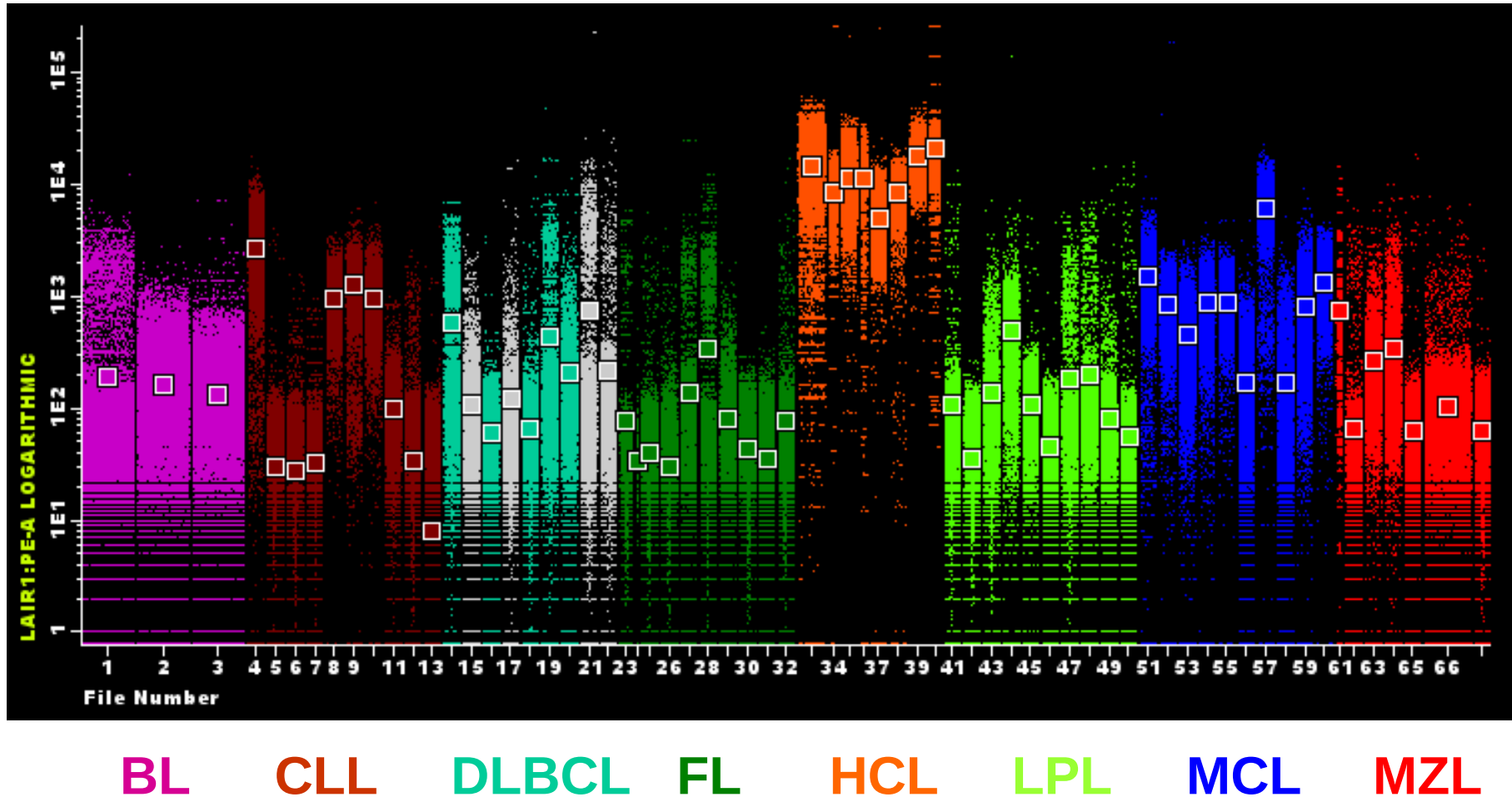
LPL

MCL

MZL

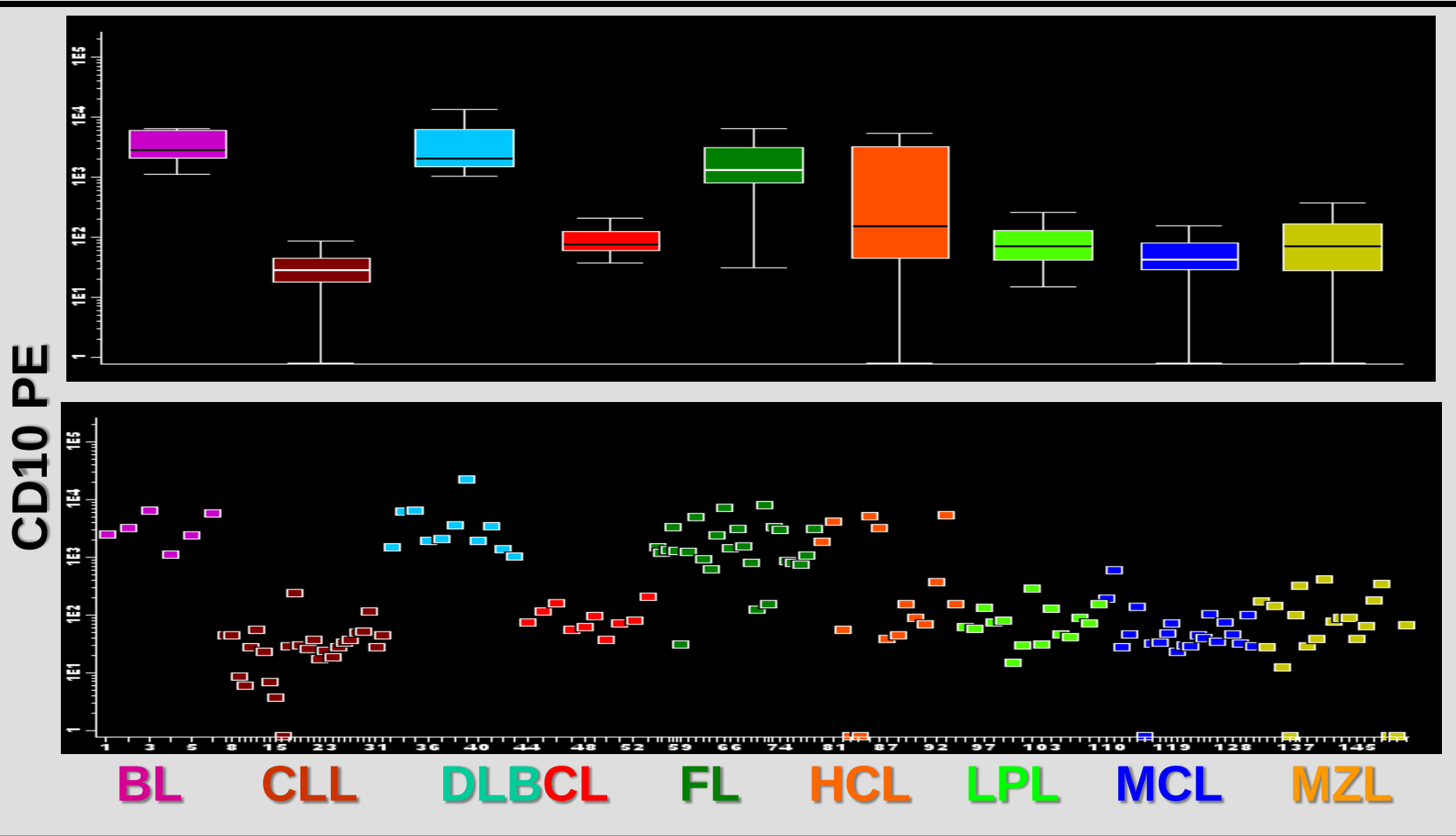
Characterization markers:

LAIR1

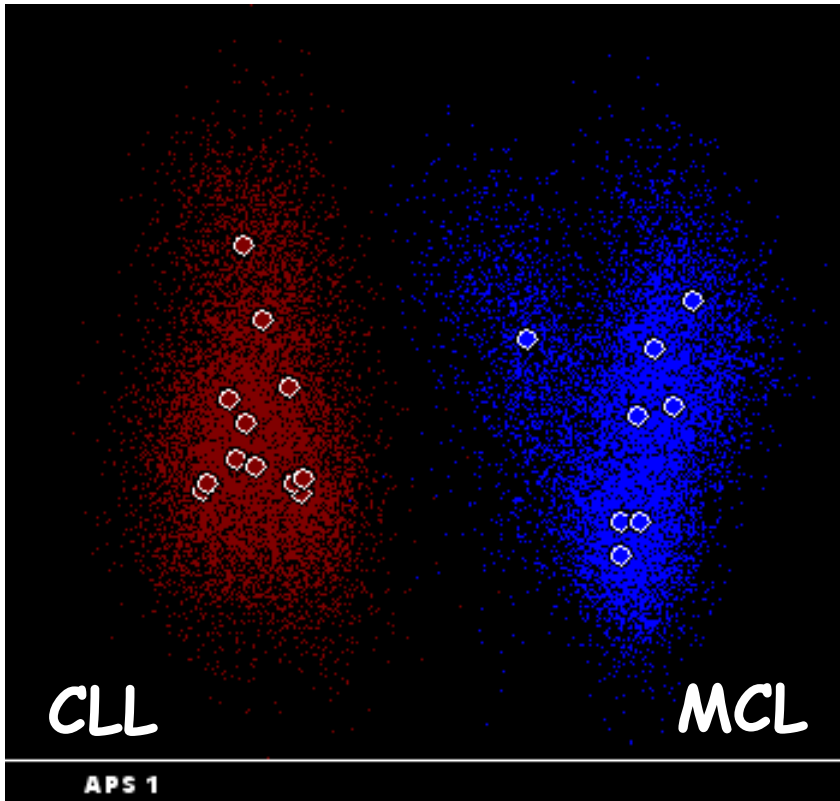


Characterization markers:

CD10

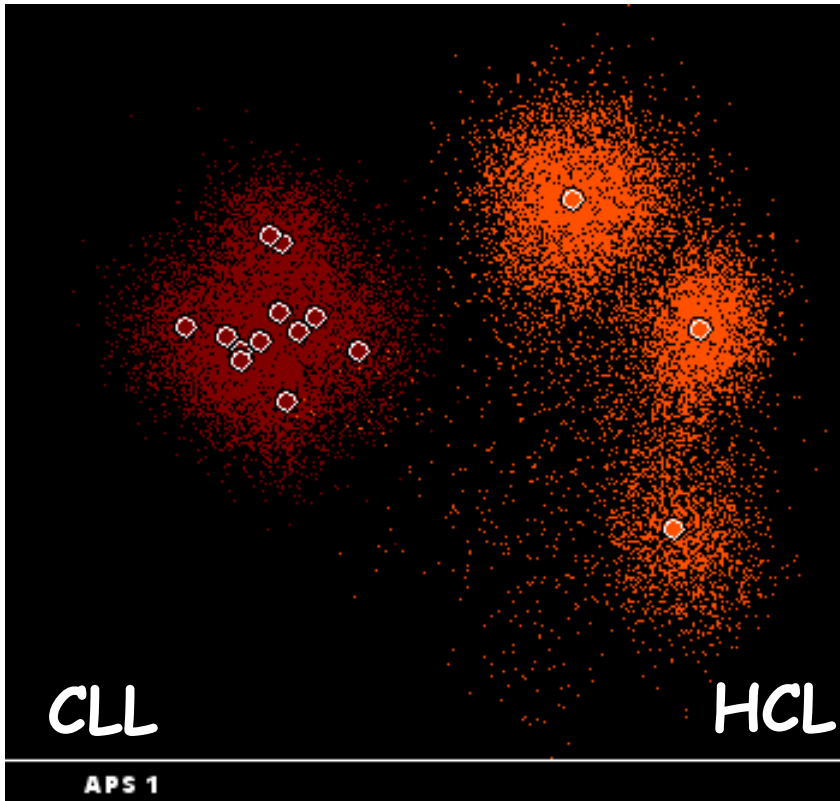


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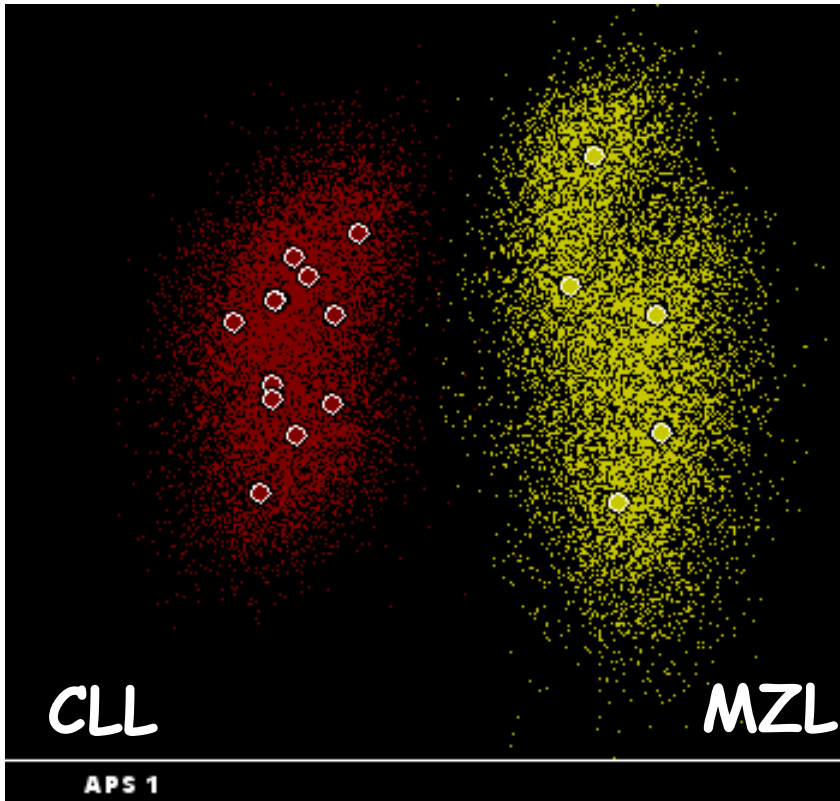
1	IgM	14.02
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4	CD23	8.57
5	CD38	7.73

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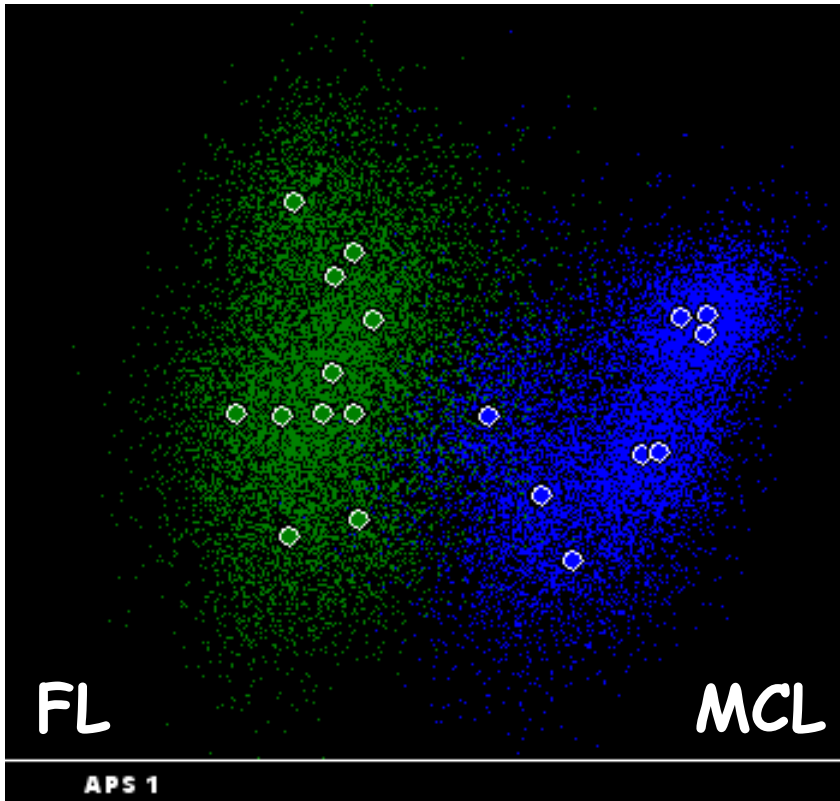
1	CD11c	10.48
2	LAIR1	9.75
3	CD22	8.89
4	CD79b	8.26
5	CD20	7.7

B-CLPD panel: utility



1	CD79b	9.84
2	CD5	8.86
3	CD200	7.35
4	CD43	7.3
5	CD49d	7.28

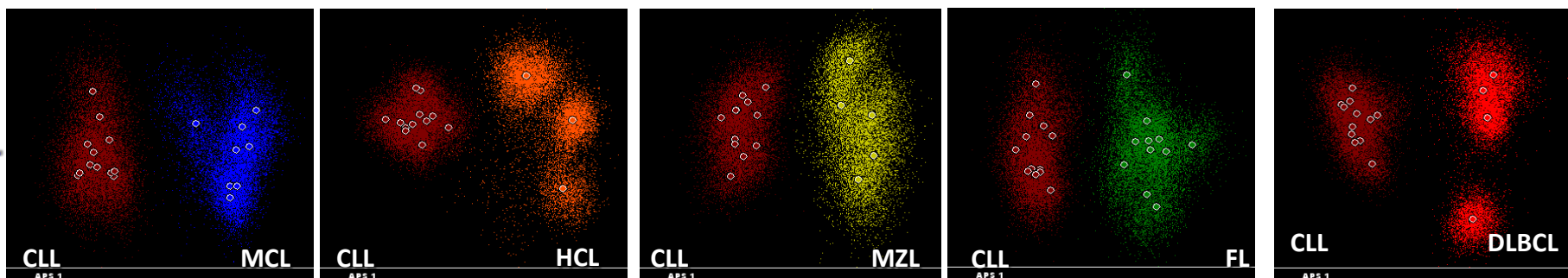
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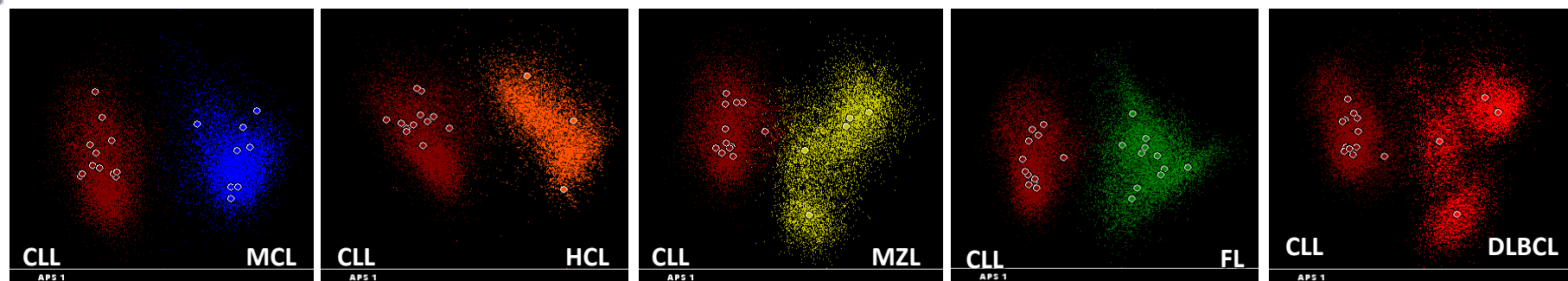
1	LAIR1	11.73
2	CD5	11.28
3	IgM	8.69
4	CD31	8.09
5	CD10	7.5

B-NHL classification panel – modular design

Full panel

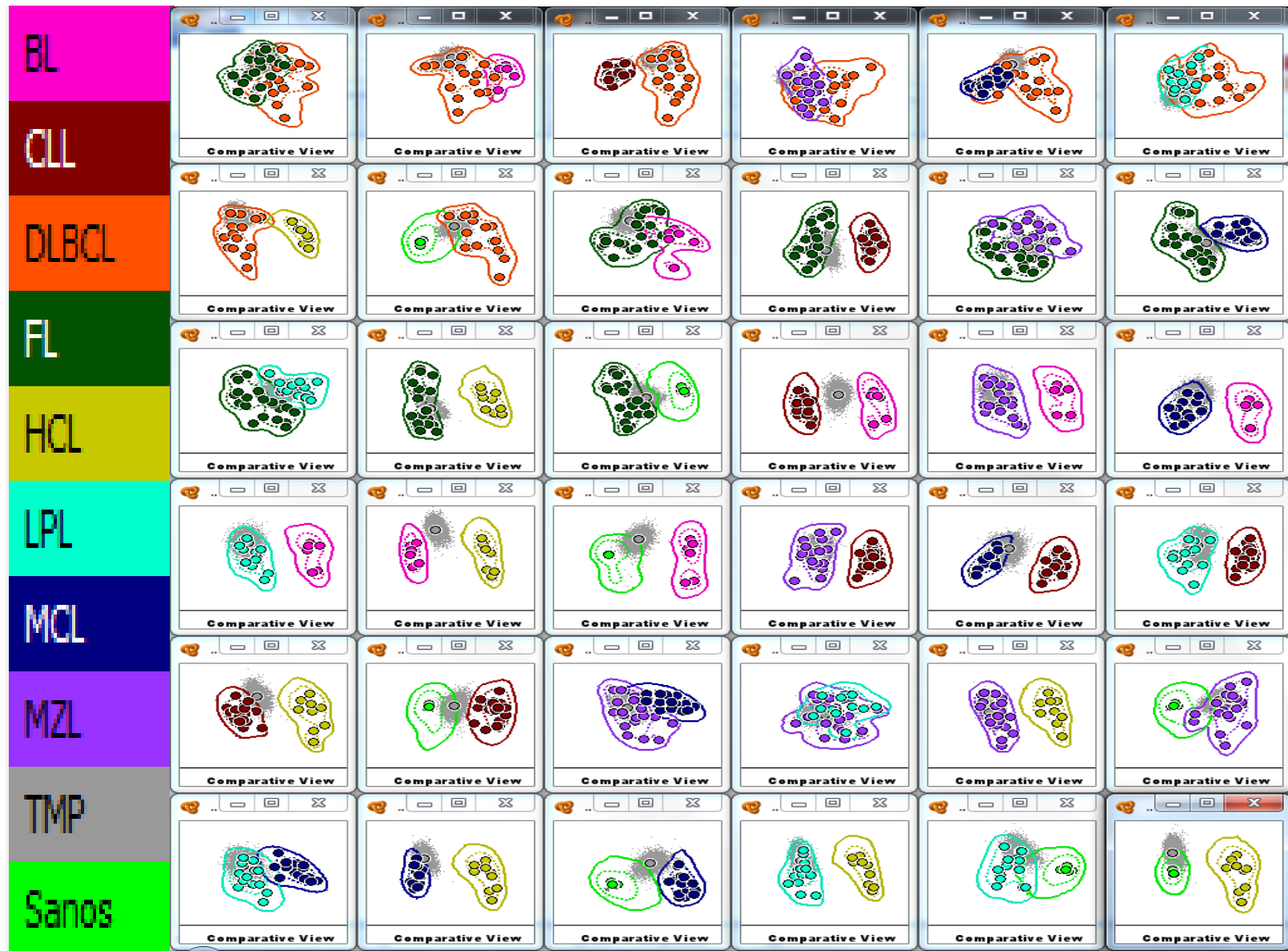


Tubes 1 & 2 only



Responsible scientist: Sebastian Bottcher

BCLPD panel: classification of an atypical case vs the reference WHO diagnostic groups



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EuroFlow B-CLPD panel: summary and perspectives

- B-CLPD panel allows unequivocal classification of most mature B-cell malignancies according to WHO classification
- All differential diagnoses achieved efficiently except for the following 1 vs 1 comparisons:

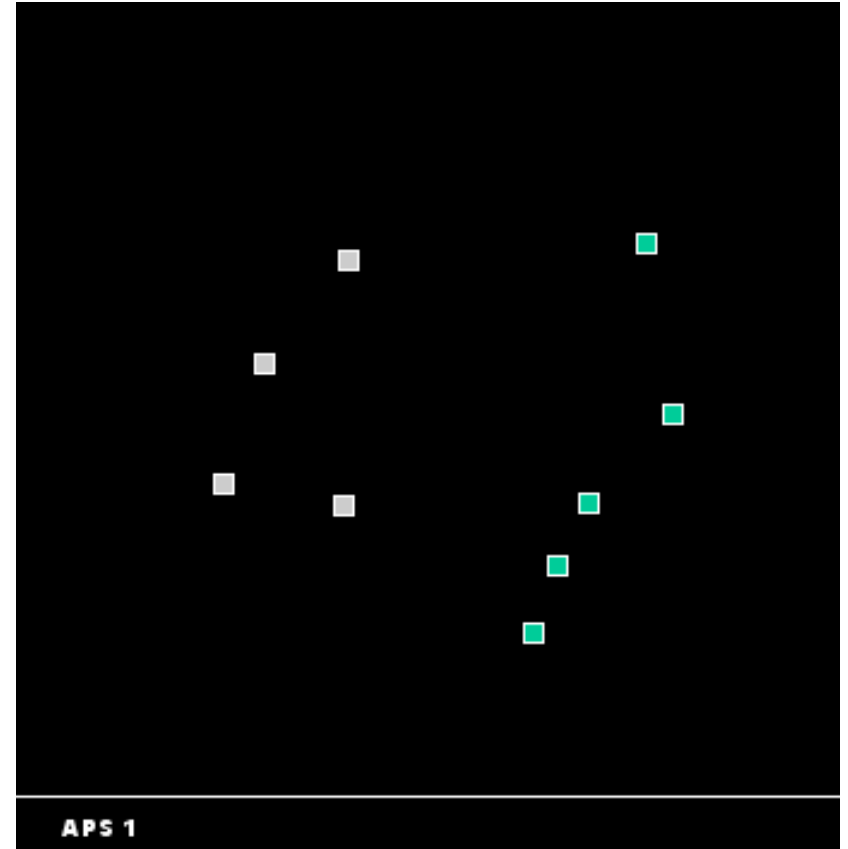
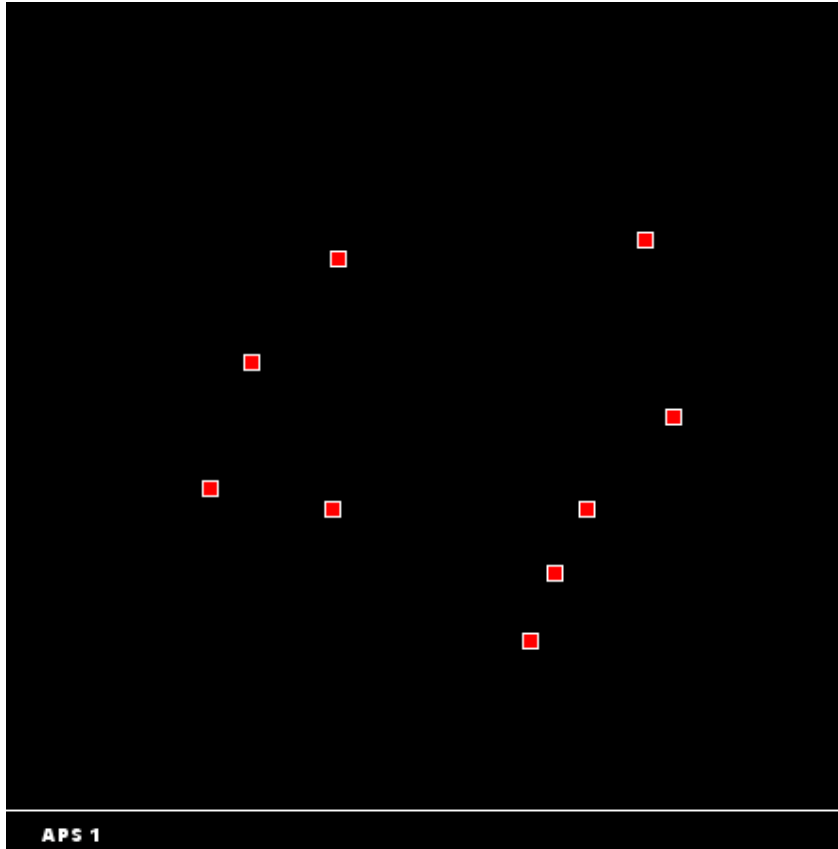
FL vs DLBC

MZL vs LPL

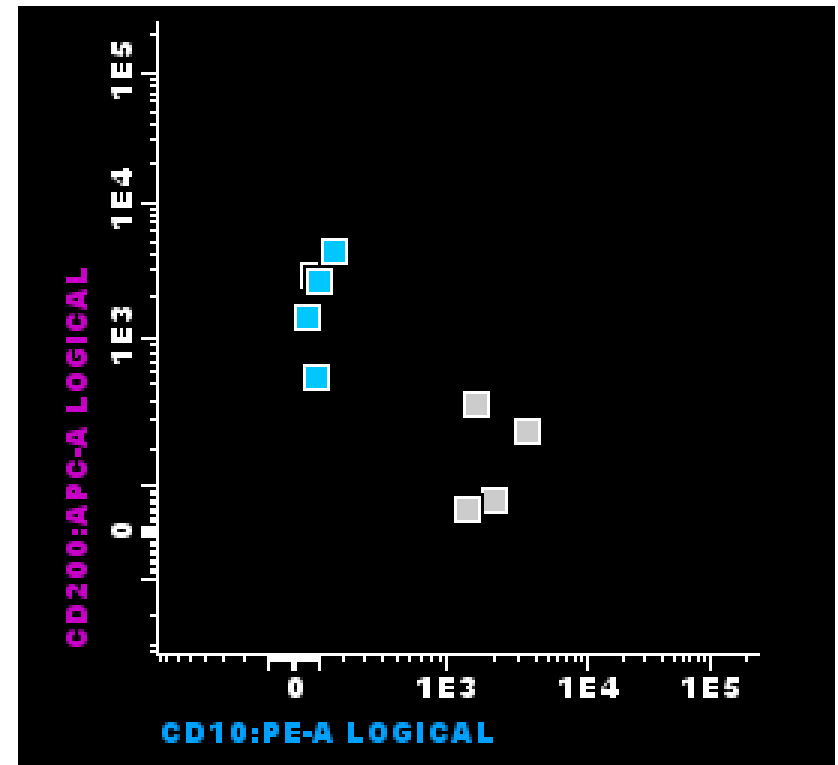
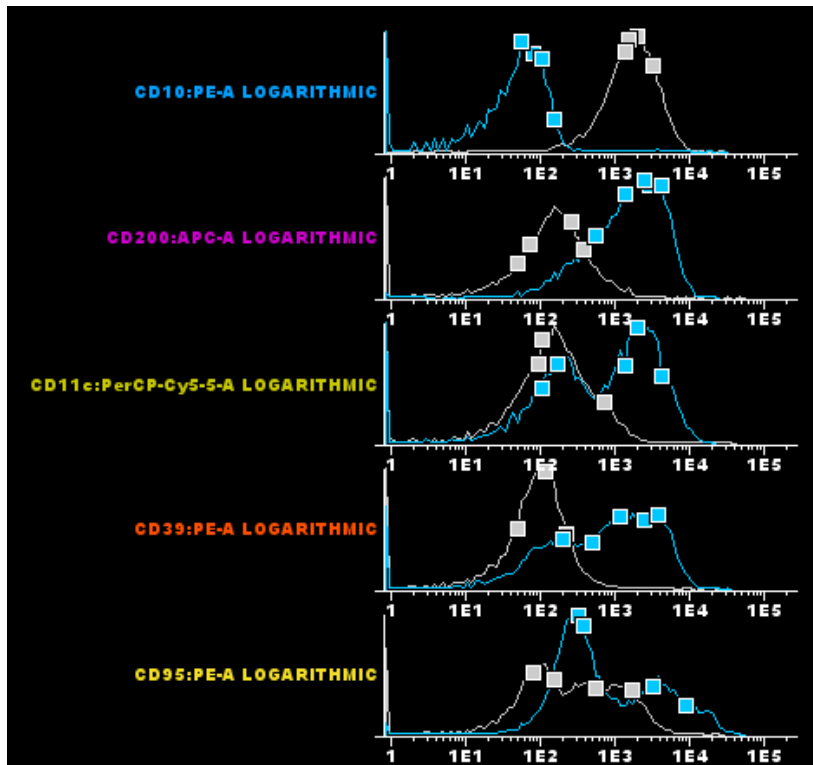
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MZL vs DLBCL

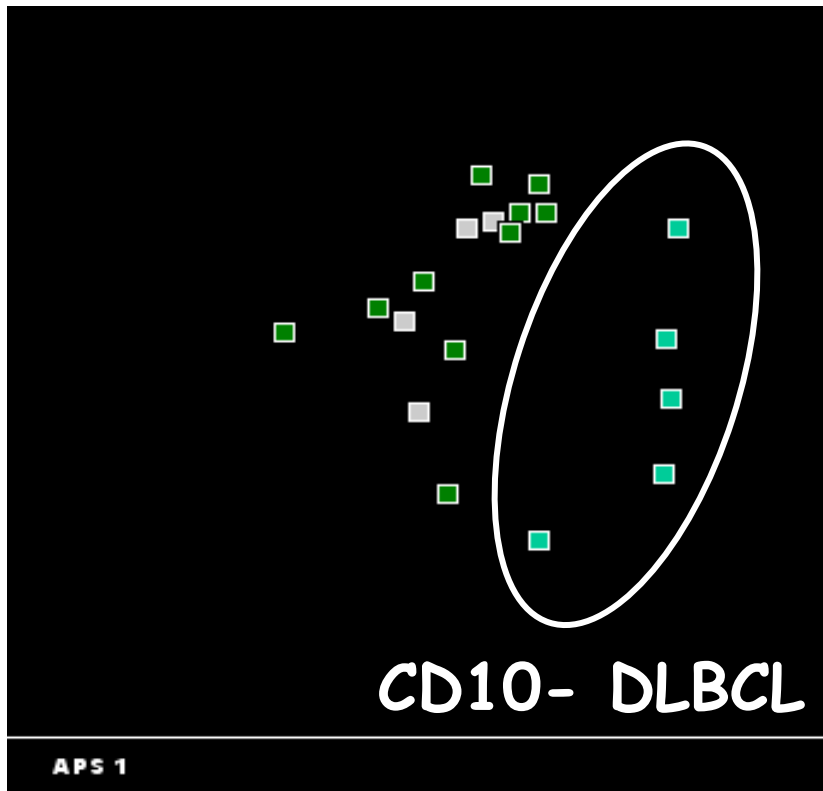
B-CLPD panel: subclassification of DLBCL



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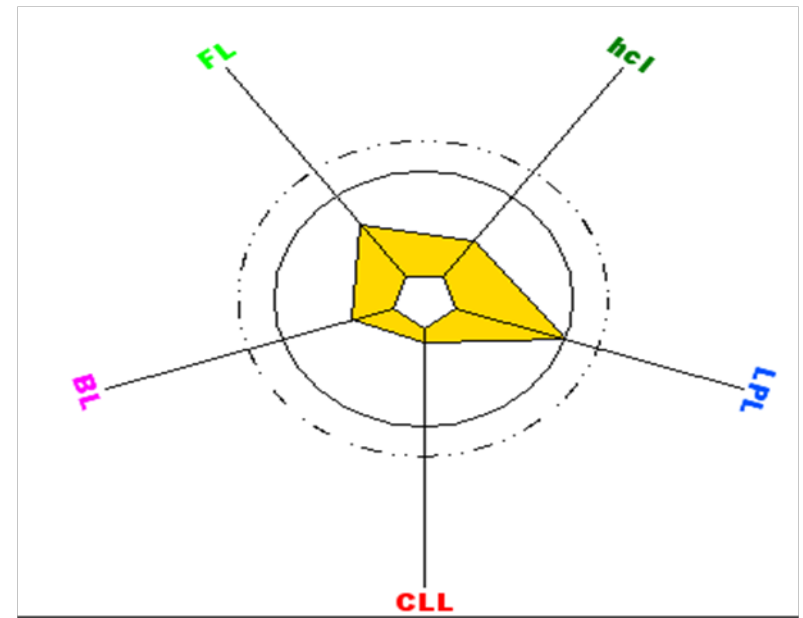
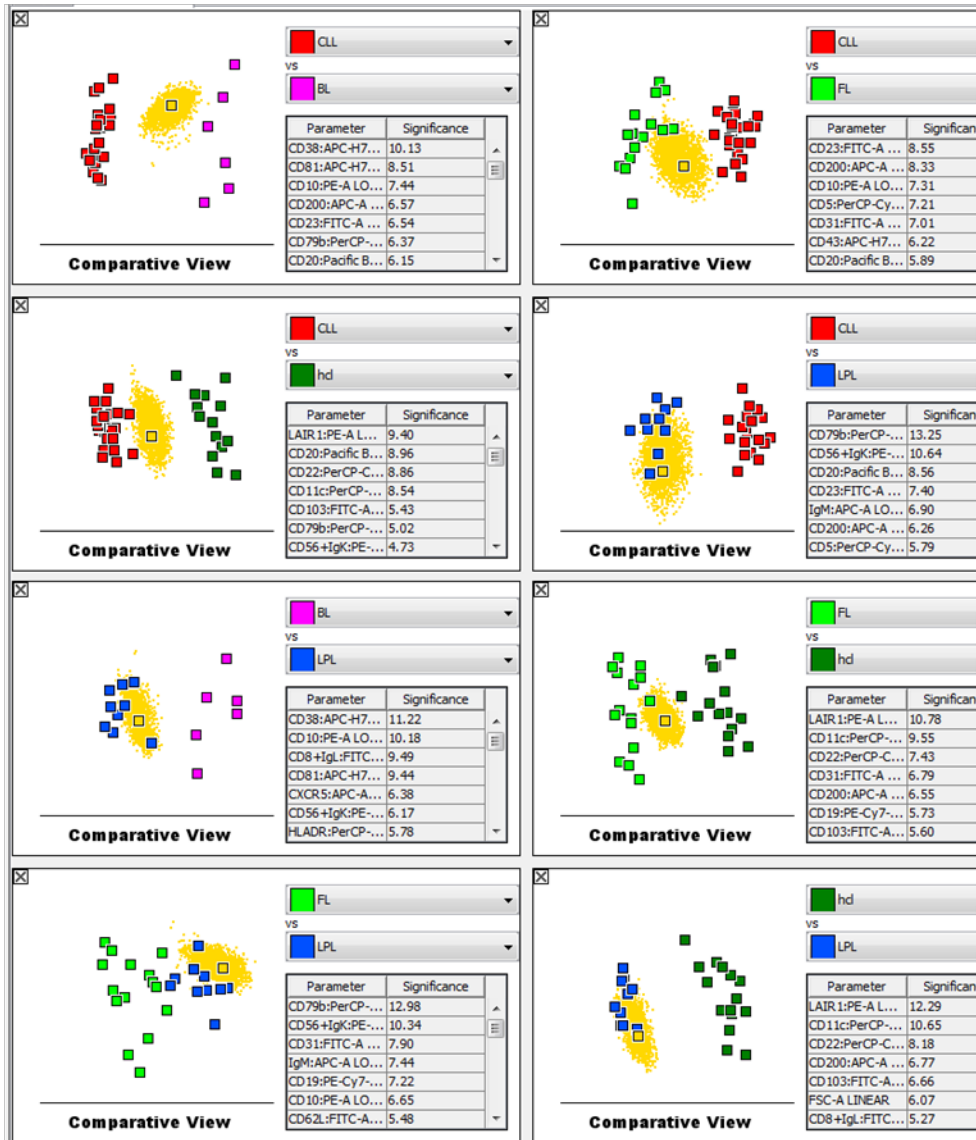


B-CLPD panel: subclassification of DLBCL vs FL



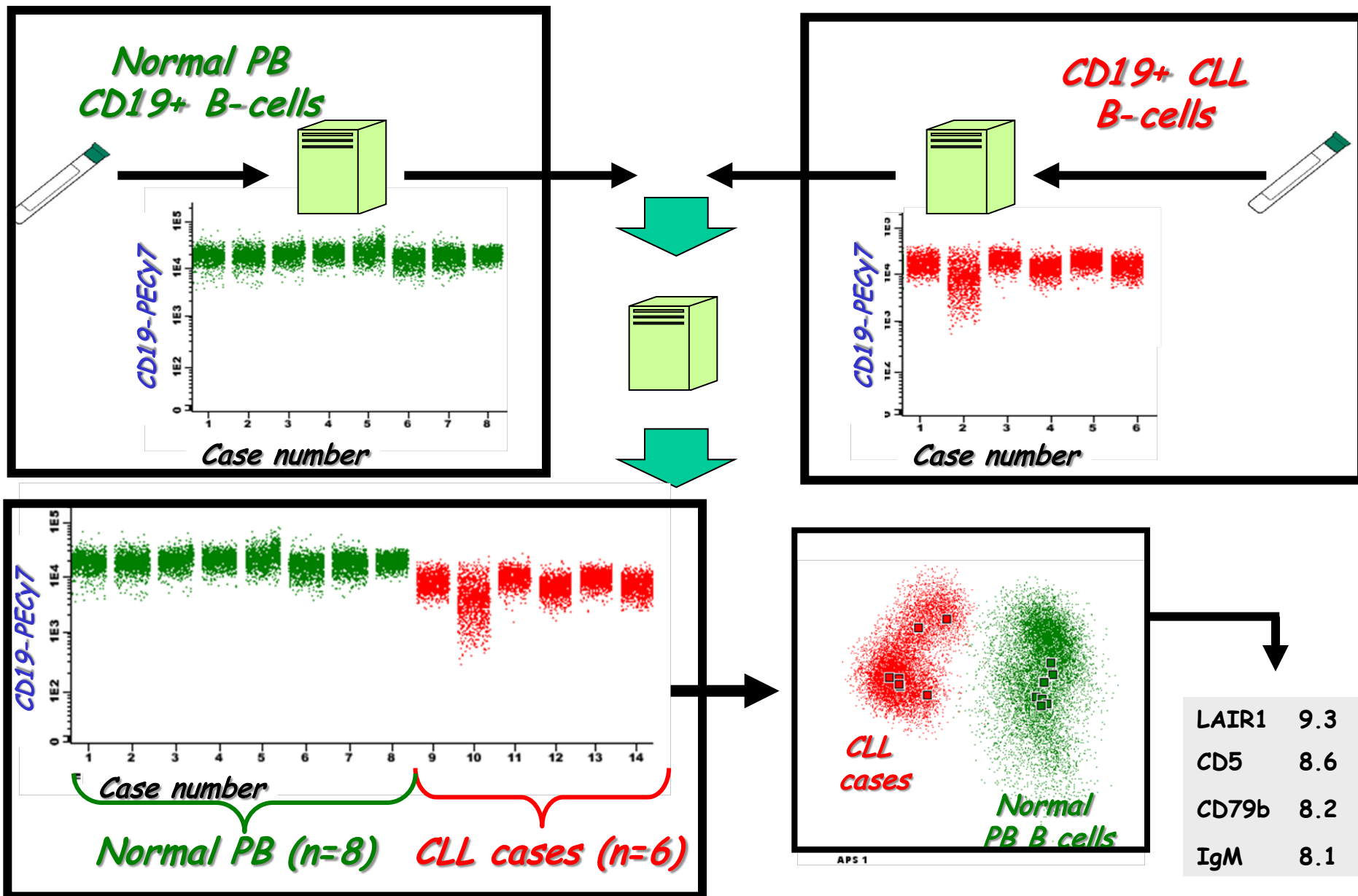
	APS Significance
IgM-APC	11.4
CD10-PE	9.7
CD200-APC	9.1
CD39:PE	8.4

B-CLPD: Comparative analysis of "our case" vs multiple reference groups



Responsible scientists: Sebastian Bottcher

REFERENCE DATAFILES: NORMAL vs. CLL B-CELLS



COMPARE A CASE VS NORMAL & NEOPLASTIC B-CELLS EuroFlow



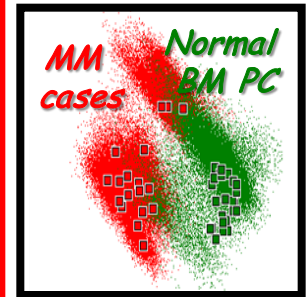
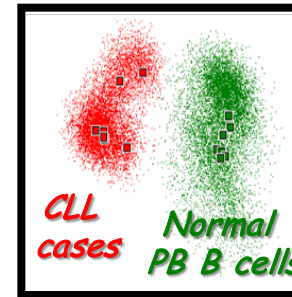
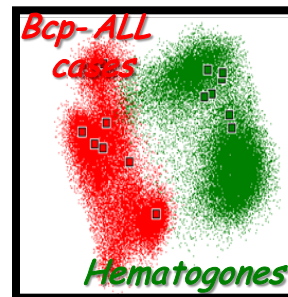
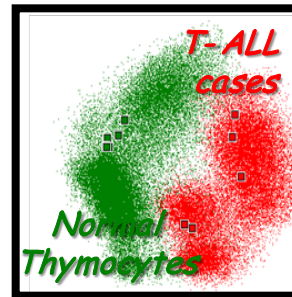
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B-cell precursor ALL

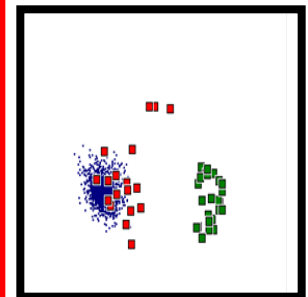
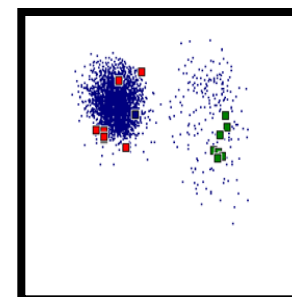
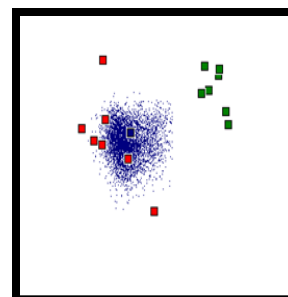
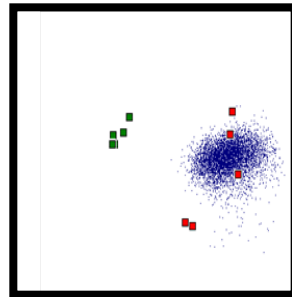
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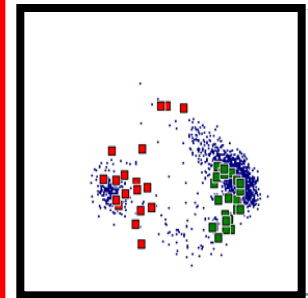
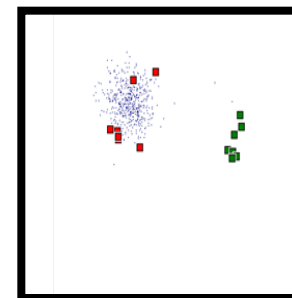
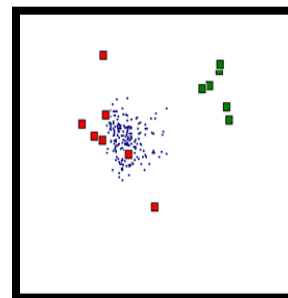
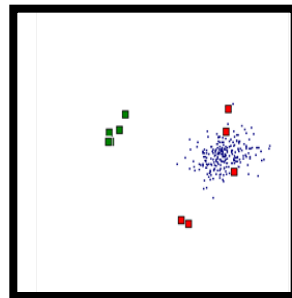
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Diagnostic samples vs. Reference data files



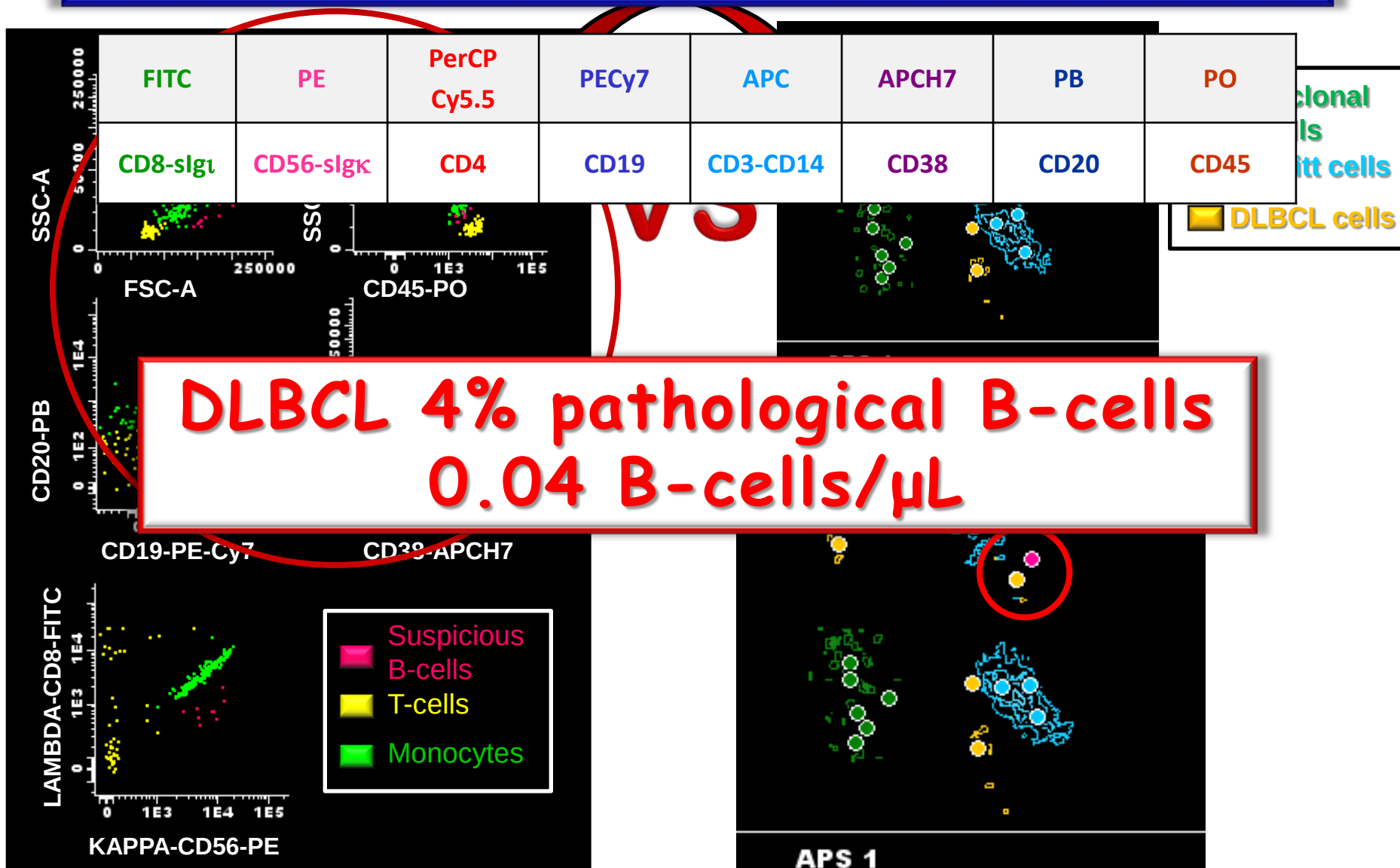
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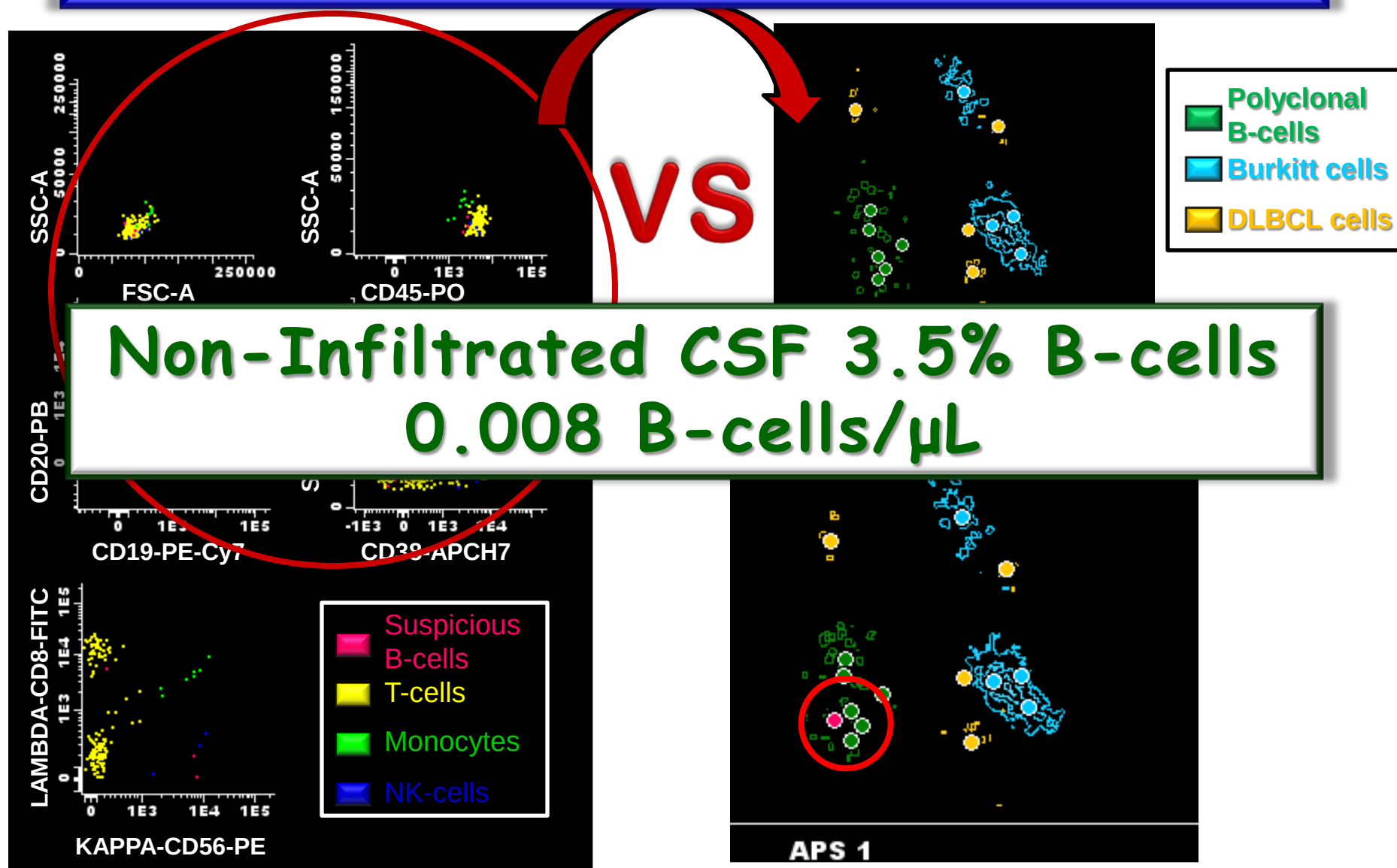
LEPTOMENINGEAL DISEASE IN HEMATOLOGICAL MALIGNANCIES

- ❖ **Clinical parameters** used to define risk for CNS involvement/relapse in B-NHL, ALL and AML are found to be of **limited predictive value**
- ❖ Although **cytologic analysis** of CSF has a great specificity, it has a limited **sensitivity** with a reported **false-negative rate** of between 20%-60%
- ❖ Recent single center studies suggest that **FCM** can increase the sensitivity of conventional cytology for the **identification of CSF involvement**, particularly in B-NHL

SUSPICIOUS B-CELLS VS REFERENCE LIBRARY: COMPASS ANALYSIS



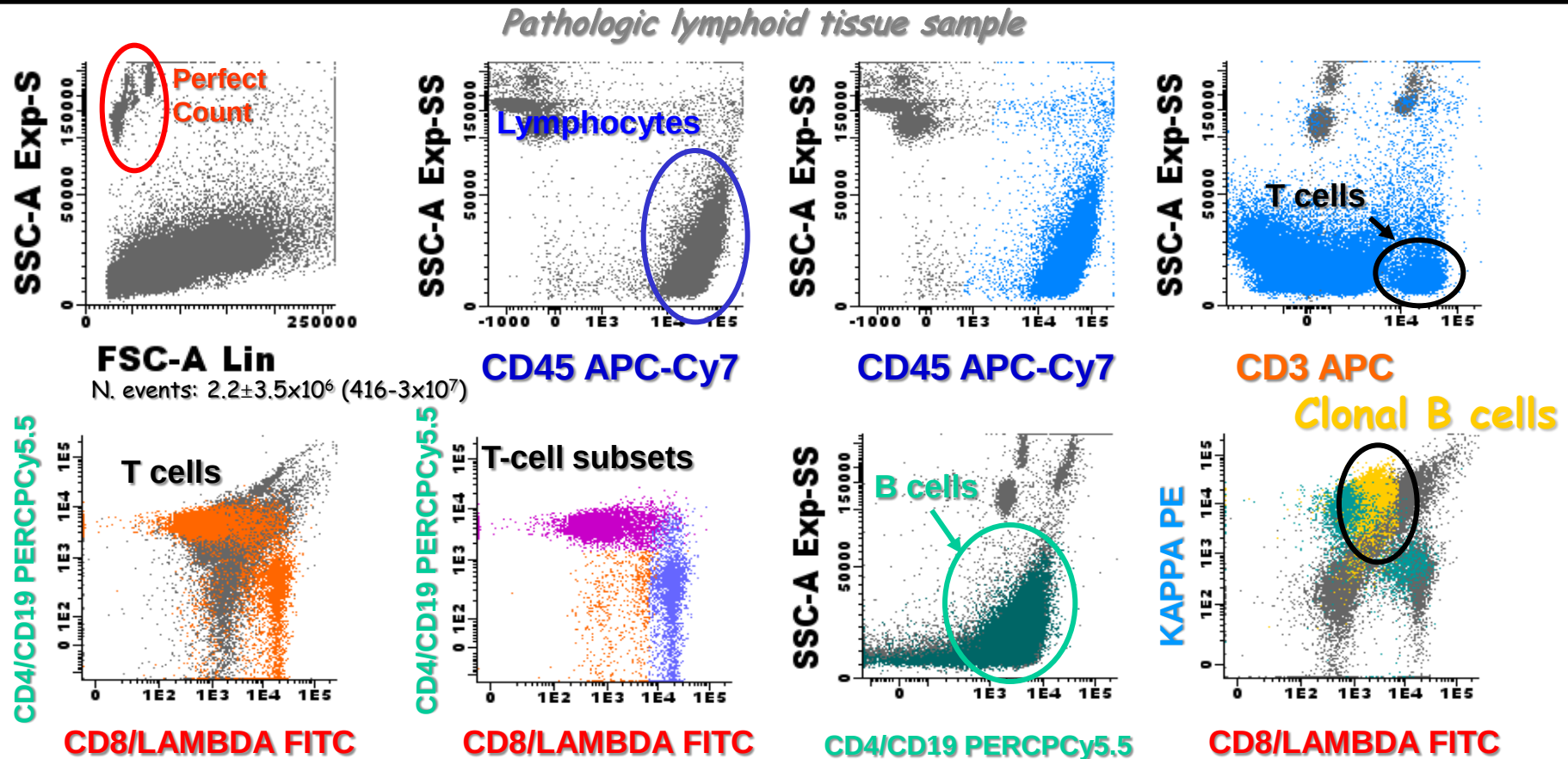
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FC on FNA samples as a screening diagnostic tool

GATING STRATEGY for the immunophenotypic identification of lymphoid cells

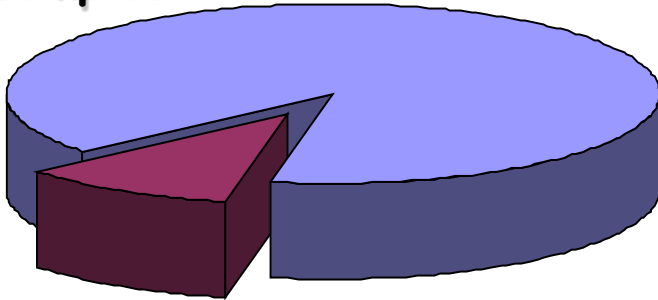
CD8+anti- λ FITC / anti- κ PE / CD4 + CD19 PerCPCy5.5 / CD3 APC / CD45 APCCy7



FC on FNA samples as a screening diagnostic tool

Comparison of cytology, FC and histology

Total FNA samples:
n=446
(from 400 cases)



No valuable samples
n=48 (10.5%)
(from 41 patients)

Only for cytology: 35
Only for FCM: 3
For FCM & cytology: 10 | <3%

*Usually due to scanty cellularity or
PB contamination*

Valuable samples
n= 398 (89.5%)

(from 359 patients)

Degree of concordance between
FNAC, FC and histology:

Concordant samples:
373/398 (94%)
from 336 cases
84% from the total samples

Discordant samples:
25/398 (6%)
from 23 cases
5.5% from the total samples

Conclusions

- FCM is useful for the study of B-CLPD for: (i) the **diagnosis** (of clonality, NHL staging, and CSF infiltration), (ii) **classification** into WHO groups and (iii) **MRD monitoring**
- The new strategies developed by the EuroFlow Consortium opens the door for all applications of **multiparameter flow cytometry** for which a **large number of parameters are needed** and for the **automation** of FCM data analysis

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