

# INSTRUCTION FOR SURVEY CLINICAL CASE STUDY

## Survey 01, Cycle 2023

### 1. GENERAL INFORMATION

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### 2. INTENDED USE

The ESfEQA program 'Clinical Case Study' focuses on the interpretation of the analytical data and intends to support and to strengthen the skills of the staff to draw the appropriate conclusions out of the analytical results.

Each survey of the 'Clinical Case Study' program provides anonymized clinical data of an individual person.

### 3. PATIENT DATA

Patient:		9-year-old boy from Syria	
Clinical report upon admission:		with prominent zygomatic bones, dwarfism and carious teeth	
<b>Analytical Results</b> (in brackets reference range)			
Erythrocytes	3.9 x10 <sup>12</sup> /L (3.9-5.1)	Thrombocytes	364 G/L (150-450)
Hb	8.1 g/dL (11.5-15.5)	Leucocytes	6.2 G/L (5.5-15)
MCV	50 fl (77-95)	Transferrin	1.52 g/L (2.4-3.6)
MCH	22 pg (25-33)		

### 4. ANALYSIS OF PATIENT DATA

Question	Possible Answers
Suspected diagnosis?	Hemorrhage anemia in hemophilia A, iron deficiency, thalassemia, vitamin B12 or folate deficiency
Which parameters and notes support your tentative diagnosis primarily?	Hb, thrombocytes, MCV, Mentzer index < 13, Transferrin
What other tests should be ordered?	Ferritin, folate and vitamin B12, DNA analysis, Hb-electrophoresis, blood smear, FVIII
Please indicate therapeutic option(s) if your diagnosis is confirmed?	Vitamin B12 and/or folate substitution, no therapy necessary, iron supplementation, blood transfusion, FVIII substitution

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