

Special Issue

Platelet Counting, Morphology Assessment and Functional Studies: Pitfalls, Uncertainties, Good Practice for Clinical Usefulness

Message from the Guest Editors

Platelets are the professional, dedicated blood cells involved in (primary) hemostasis. Owing to their importance in many diseases, it does not come as a surprise that they have been frequently investigated in the hematology laboratory and at the bedside in daily practice and, over the years, the methods of these investigations have been greatly improved. In this Special Issue, we will review methods for investigating the number, morphology, and functioning of blood platelets, focusing not only on the current standard, but also evaluating future applications and new perspectives. Much emphasis will be put on the clinical usefulness, and the everlasting need for good clinical studies to establish it, and on the current recommendations from different societies and groups. Original, review, and guidance/guidelines papers are welcome.

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