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Dear Customer,

I would like to take this opportunity to provide guidance in relation to running samples on the ADVIA 120, ADVIA 2120 and ADVIA 2120i Haematology Systems regarding which white cell count to use for various UK NEQAS(H) samples.

Because the samples for the full blood count are prepared differently than those for the automated differential leucocyte count, they do not behave the same way when processed by the ADVIA 120, ADVIA 2120 or ADVIA 2120i. The white cell count results should therefore be reported as follows:

- NEQAS Full Blood Count samples: Baso WBC
- NEQAS Automated Differential Leucocyte Count: Perox WBC

I trust this information will provide sufficient information for scheme participants to provide accurate results for these NEQAS schemes, but please do not hesitate to contact me should additional guidance be required.

Yours sincerely,

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