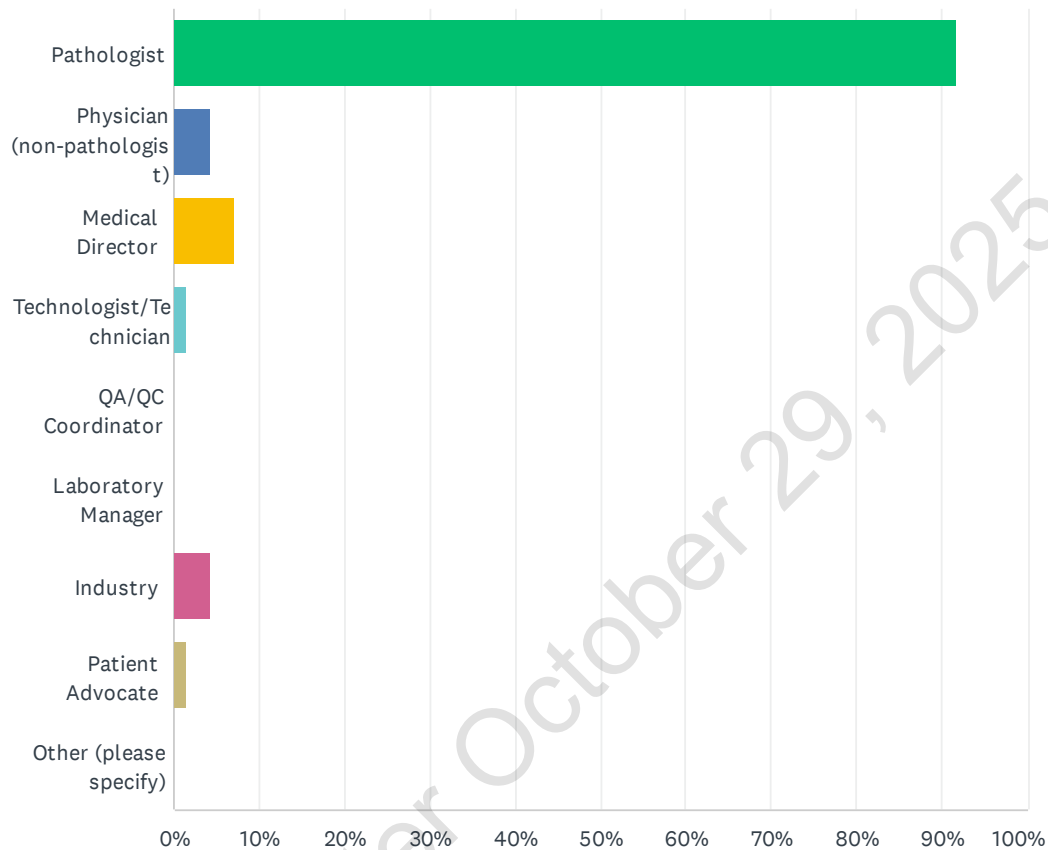


Q1 What is your occupation/role? (select all that apply)

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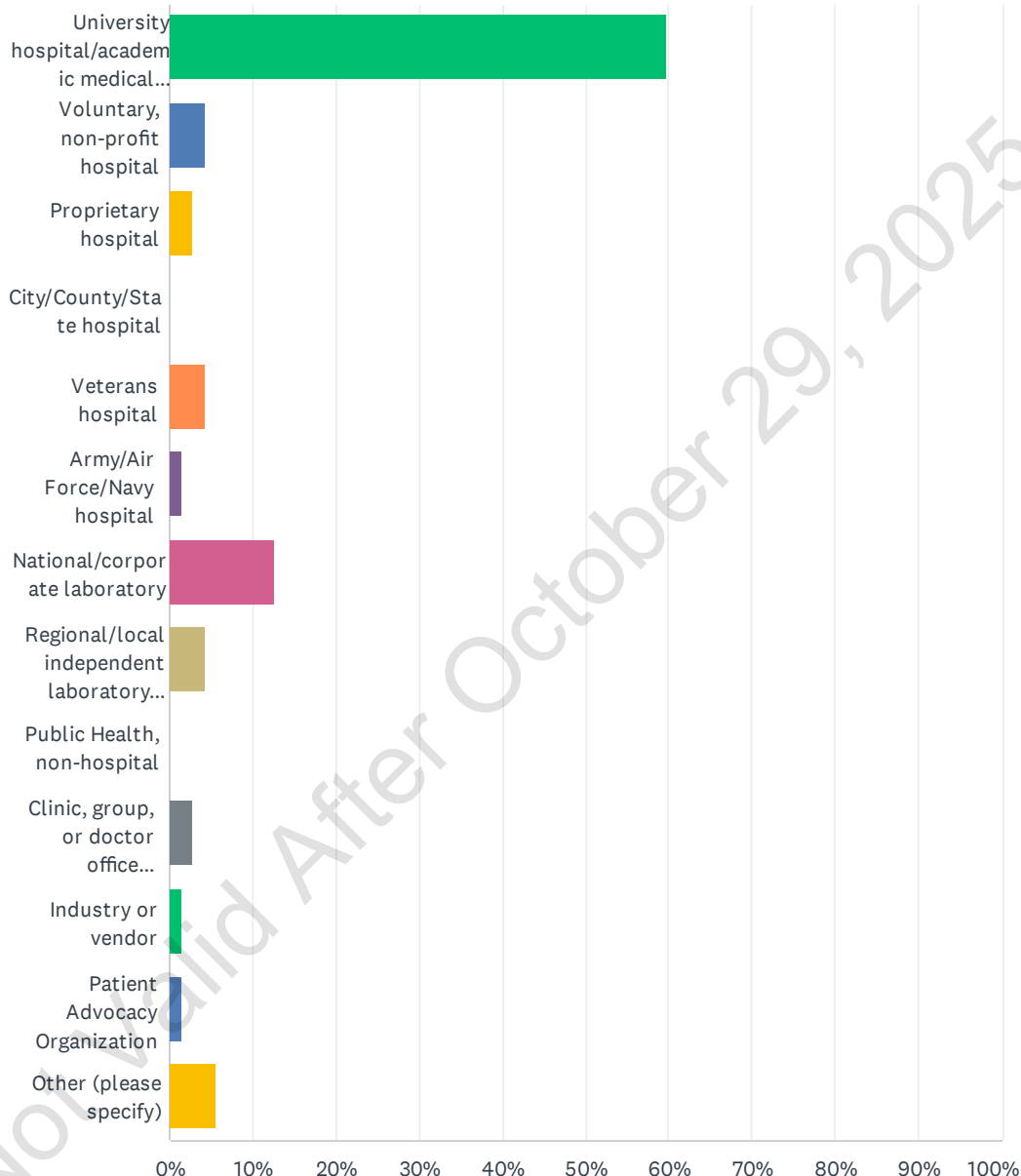


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Pathologist	91.67%	66
Physician (non-pathologist)	4.17%	3
Medical Director	6.94%	5
Technologist/Technician	1.39%	1
QA/QC Coordinator	0.00%	0
Laboratory Manager	0.00%	0
Industry	4.17%	3
Patient Advocate	1.39%	1
Other (please specify)	0.00%	0
Total Respondents: 72		

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
There are no responses.		

Q2 Which of the following best describes your practice setting? (select one)

Answered: 72 Skipped: 0



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University hospital/academic medical center	59.72%	43
Voluntary, non-profit hospital	4.17%	3
Proprietary hospital	2.78%	2
City/County/State hospital	0.00%	0
Veterans hospital	4.17%	3
Army/Air Force/Navy hospital	1.39%	1
National/corporate laboratory	12.50%	9
Regional/local independent laboratory (except clinic or group practice and not owned by a national corporation(s))	4.17%	3
Public Health, non-hospital	0.00%	0
Clinic, group, or doctor office laboratory	2.78%	2
Industry or vendor	1.39%	1
Patient Advocacy Organization	1.39%	1
Other (please specify)	5.56%	4
TOTAL		72

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	Children's Research Hospital	10/14/2025 6:09 PM
2	reference lab	10/9/2025 7:55 AM
3	retired	10/8/2025 3:59 PM
4	Retired	10/8/2025 3:18 PM

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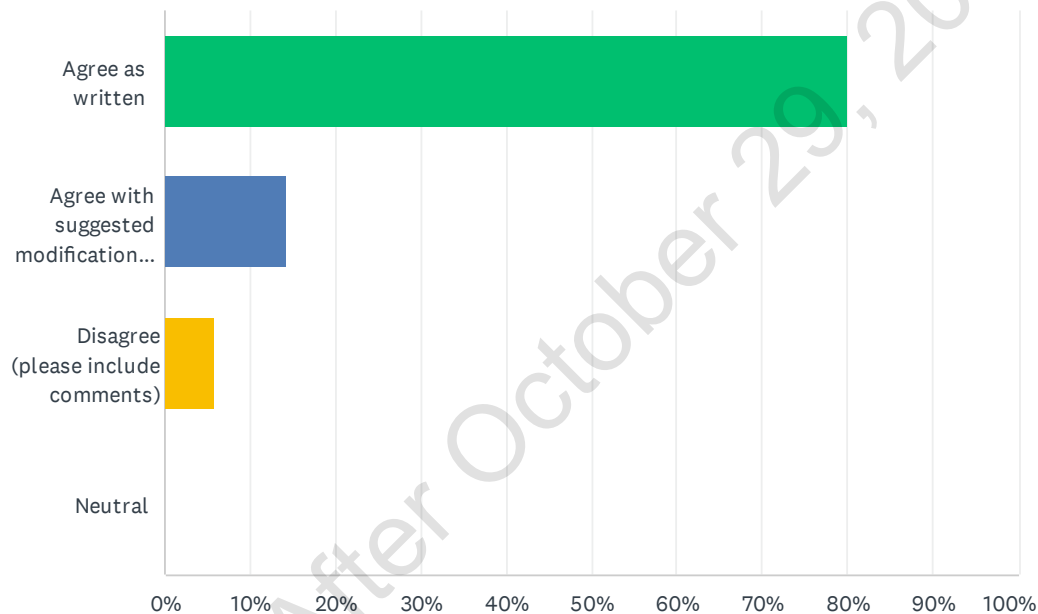
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Q3 Draft Statement 1 – For adult and pediatric patients with B-cell acute lymphoblastic leukemia (B-ALL) undergoing measurable residual disease (MRD) testing for the purpose of risk stratification, laboratories should use NGS or multiparametric flow cytometry (MFC). Although NGS provides a more sensitive assessment and may be preferred for this reason, a validated MFC protocol with a lower limit of detection (LLoD) of at least 10⁻⁴ may be used.(Strong Recommendation)

Answered: 35 Skipped: 37



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Agree as written	80.00%	28
Agree with suggested modifications (please include comments)	14.29%	5
Disagree (please include comments)	5.71%	2
Neutral	0.00%	0
TOTAL		35

#	COMMENTS	DATE
1	It is ideal to recommend that B-MRD MFC panel be validated till 0.001%. Also issue is that NGS target may not have been done at diagnosis and in era of targeted therapy MFC is a must at MRD time point to assess CD19, CD22 expression, CD123 expression and NGS assay may be additional	10/15/2025 8:08 AM
2	The assumption that NGS provides a more sensitive assessment may not always be true since flow cytometry methods can achieve LLoD equivalent to or below that of less sensitive NGS assays.	10/9/2025 2:17 PM

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3	Emphasis on “or”. The vast majority of oncologists, especially pediatric, order both; therefore, a stronger emphasis on either one may help avoid excessive use.	10/8/2025 5:16 PM
4	I don't think that there is conclusive evidence that NGS is as specific as MRD detected by flow, but I have not followed this literature closely. I know that COG has had a trial studying this recently.	10/8/2025 4:07 PM
5	I believe the most sensitive test is more useful particularly that the test seems more amenable to standardization and widespread use	10/8/2025 3:38 PM
6	I would be a little more specific with the NGS technique and mention the need for sequencing at the time of diagnosis for subsequent NGS MRD detection (the original leukemic immunophenotype is preferred but not required for flow cytometry MRD detection).	10/8/2025 3:13 PM
7	Please include necessary sensitivity for NGS	10/8/2025 3:11 PM

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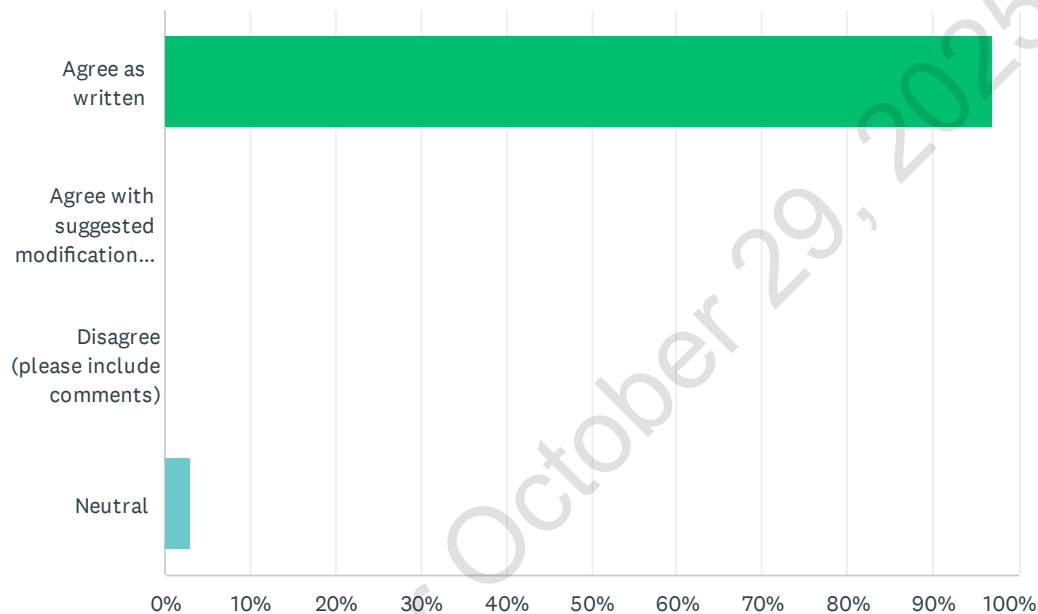
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Q4 Draft Statement 2 – For a comprehensive assessment of MRD in adults with Philadelphia positive (Ph+) B-ALL, laboratories should interpret real-time quantitative PCR (RT-qPCR) for BCR::ABL1 fusion transcripts in conjunction with additional data (eg, NGS, MFC).(Conditional Recommendation)

Answered: 34 Skipped: 38



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Agree as written	97.06%	33
Agree with suggested modifications (please include comments)	0.00%	0
Disagree (please include comments)	0.00%	0
Neutral	2.94%	1
TOTAL		34

#	COMMENTS	DATE
1	This statement is not clear. Does the statement mean we should always perform RT-qPCR and another study?	10/9/2025 2:17 PM
2	relatively uncommon disease so generation of more data is highly desirable even though NGS based IGH/TCR may be more sensitive even in this disease subset	10/8/2025 3:38 PM

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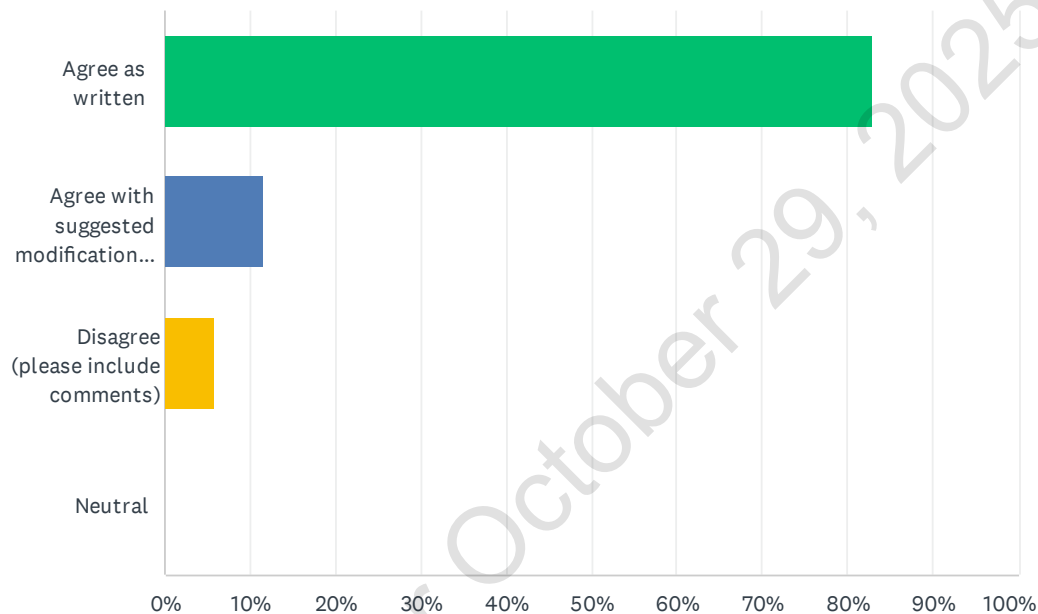
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Q5 Draft Statement 3 – For patients with B-ALL undergoing assessment for MRD, laboratories should use bone marrow (BM) aspirates rather than peripheral blood specimens in most circumstances. Note: Peripheral blood may be an acceptable alternative when use of BM aspirate is not feasible. (Strong Recommendation)

Answered: 35 Skipped: 37



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Agree as written	82.86%	29
Agree with suggested modifications (please include comments)	11.43%	4
Disagree (please include comments)	5.71%	2
Neutral	0.00%	0
TOTAL		35

#	COMMENTS	DATE
1	Bone marrow is preferred when available. However, if it is not readily available, it makes more sense to try peripheral blood first.	10/9/2025 2:17 PM
2	Peripheral blood is not an acceptable alternative. It lacks sufficient sensitivity. I fear that using such a statement would give the hemeoncs carte blanche to skip bone marrows, particularly in peds.	10/8/2025 4:07 PM
3	For NGS peripheral blood is an acceptable alternative. For flow cytometry bone marrow is preferable.	10/8/2025 4:03 PM
4	This statement is a little bit vague - which circumstances are acceptable or not? Although this guideline is specifically for adults, many clinicians are aware that pediatric guidelines suggest	10/8/2025 3:40 PM

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peripheral blood MRD at day 7-8, and newer data are coming out to indicate sensitive testing on blood may yield similar information.

5	In the initial stages of therapy including initial induction and consolidation and may be early in the course of maintenance, Bone marrow is preferable. for long-term follow up peripheral blood may be used	10/8/2025 3:38 PM
6	clarify assessment for MRD vs. surveillance in patients with remission	10/8/2025 3:13 PM

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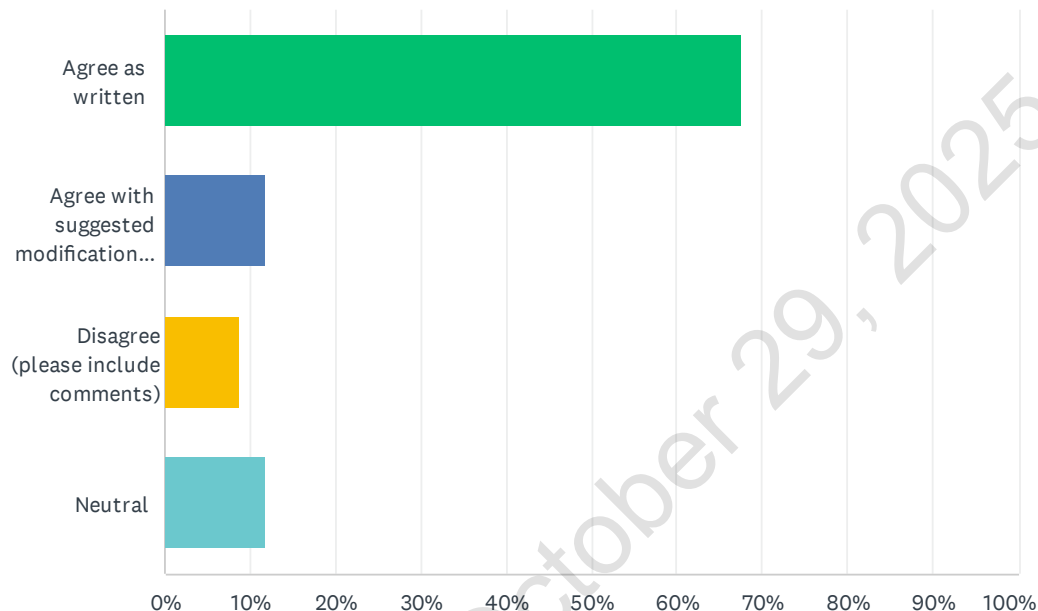
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Q6 Draft Statement 4 – For patients with B-ALL in remission undergoing surveillance, laboratories may use peripheral blood samples.(Conditional Recommendation)

Answered: 34 Skipped: 38



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Agree as written	67.65%	23
Agree with suggested modifications (please include comments)	11.76%	4
Disagree (please include comments)	8.82%	3
Neutral	11.76%	4
TOTAL		34

#	COMMENTS	DATE
1	I am unsure - if peripheral blood is sensitive enough for evaluation during remission undergoing surveillance. At certain time points - BM should be a must but in between PB may be suggested	10/15/2025 8:08 AM
2	For patients with B-ALL in remission undergoing MRD surveillance, laboratories should ideally use bone marrow samples; however, peripheral blood samples may be used if bone marrow sampling is not feasible	10/10/2025 5:00 AM
3	Surveillance during remission?	10/9/2025 2:17 PM
4	Only if a high sensitivity is used.	10/8/2025 6:46 PM
5	Discrepancies between bone marrow and peripheral blood are common at diagnosis and during follow-up. The gold standard for assessing MRD, irrespective of technique or remission status should remain bone marrow aspirate testing.	10/8/2025 5:16 PM
6	Not sure there is sufficient evidence to support this.	10/8/2025 4:07 PM

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7	For what purposes? Is this for MRD or not? Flow or molecular or both?	10/8/2025 3:40 PM
8	As for the above question, In the initial stages of therapy including initial induction and consolidation and may be early in the course of maintenance, Bone marrow is preferable. for long-term follow up peripheral blood may be used	10/8/2025 3:38 PM

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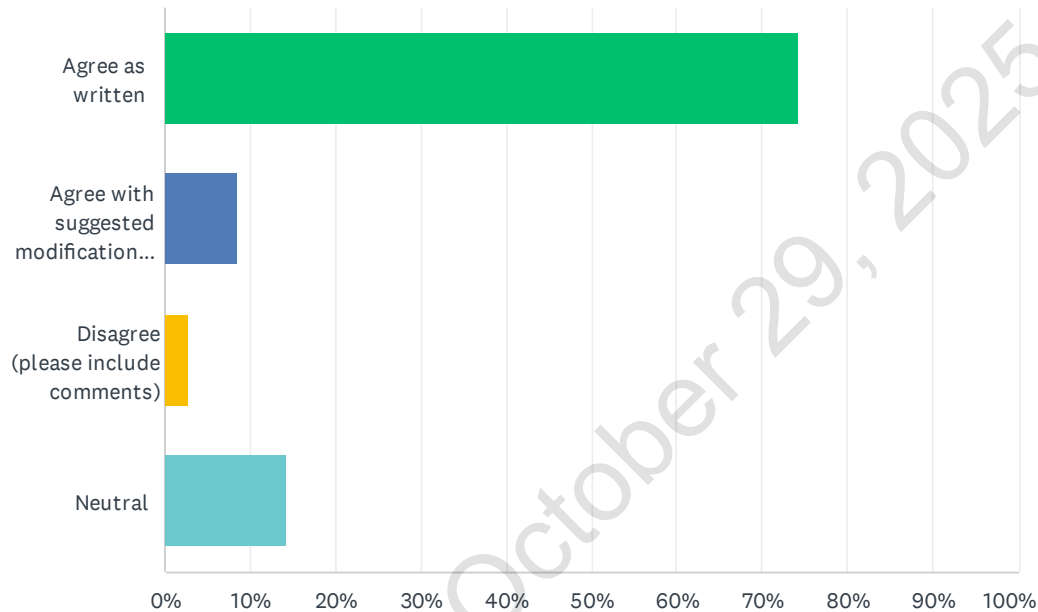
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Q7 Draft Statement 5 – For patients with B-ALL undergoing MRD assessment from peripheral blood at end of induction or later, laboratories should use high-sensitivity methods (LLoD at least 10⁻⁵). (Strong Recommendation)

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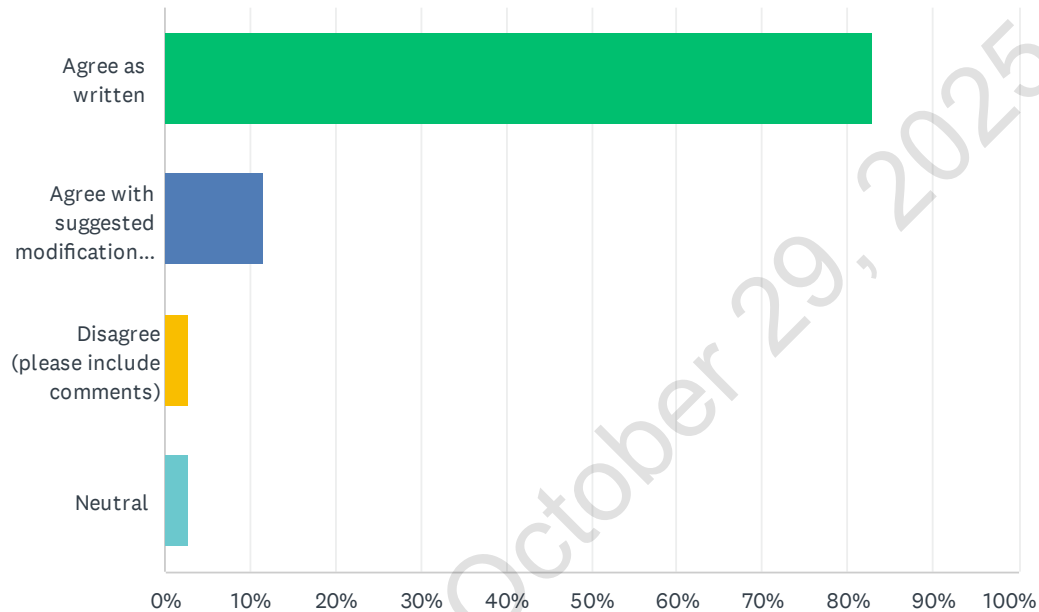


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Agree as written	74.29%	26
Agree with suggested modifications (please include comments)	8.57%	3
Disagree (please include comments)	2.86%	1
Neutral	14.29%	5
TOTAL		35

#	COMMENTS	DATE
1	I would still feel that BM is better than blood. A better quality BM sample with less events is more sensitive than a PB sample where one acquires more events and shows higher sensitivity on paper	10/15/2025 8:08 AM
2	Contradicts Statement 1 which requires 10 ⁻⁴ .	10/9/2025 2:17 PM
3	Ideally, the MRD method chosen for peripheral blood testing will have been previously shown to detect the patient's tumor cells with high sensitivity.	10/8/2025 5:30 PM
4	Same concerns as mentioned under statement 4 above.	10/8/2025 5:16 PM
5	Disagree with the use of peripheral blood for MRD testing. Insufficient correlation with bone marrow aspirate.	10/8/2025 4:07 PM

Q8 Draft Statement 6 – For flow cytometry-based MRD testing in patients with B-ALL, laboratories should collect sufficient numbers of intact cells after excluding debris to achieve reported sensitivity.(Good Practice Statement)

Answered: 35 Skipped: 37

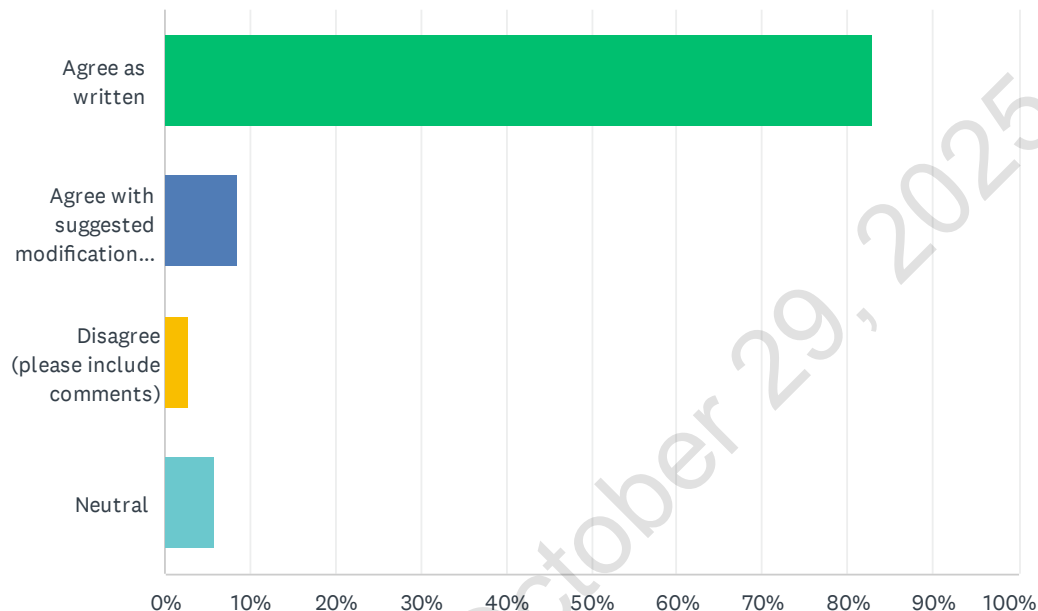


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Agree as written	82.86%	29
Agree with suggested modifications (please include comments)	11.43%	4
Disagree (please include comments)	2.86%	1
Neutral	2.86%	1
TOTAL		35

#	COMMENTS	DATE
1	Use the first pull, and the specimen must be sent in a timely manner	10/14/2025 1:48 PM
2	Exact number and percentage of total and abnormal events should be mentioned	10/12/2025 12:52 AM
3	Would include a statement regarding the minimum number. COG requires 500,000.	10/8/2025 4:07 PM
4	At least 1000000 cells/events	10/8/2025 4:03 PM
5	This should go without saying - I would rather see this statement indicate that reporting should indicate the sensitivity that was achieved for the specific sample.	10/8/2025 3:40 PM

Q9 Draft Statement 7 – For molecular-based MRD testing in patients with B-ALL, laboratories should analyze sufficient genomic equivalents of nucleic acid to achieve reported sensitivity.(Good Practice Statement)

Answered: 35 Skipped: 37



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Agree as written	82.86%	29
Agree with suggested modifications (please include comments)	8.57%	3
Disagree (please include comments)	2.86%	1
Neutral	5.71%	2
TOTAL		35

#	COMMENTS	DATE
1	Number needed to be mentioned	10/12/2025 12:52 AM
2	Suggest including a specific number.	10/8/2025 4:07 PM
3	Similar to Draft Statement 6 - this is better indicated in the actual report.	10/8/2025 3:40 PM
4	Give examples	10/8/2025 2:15 PM

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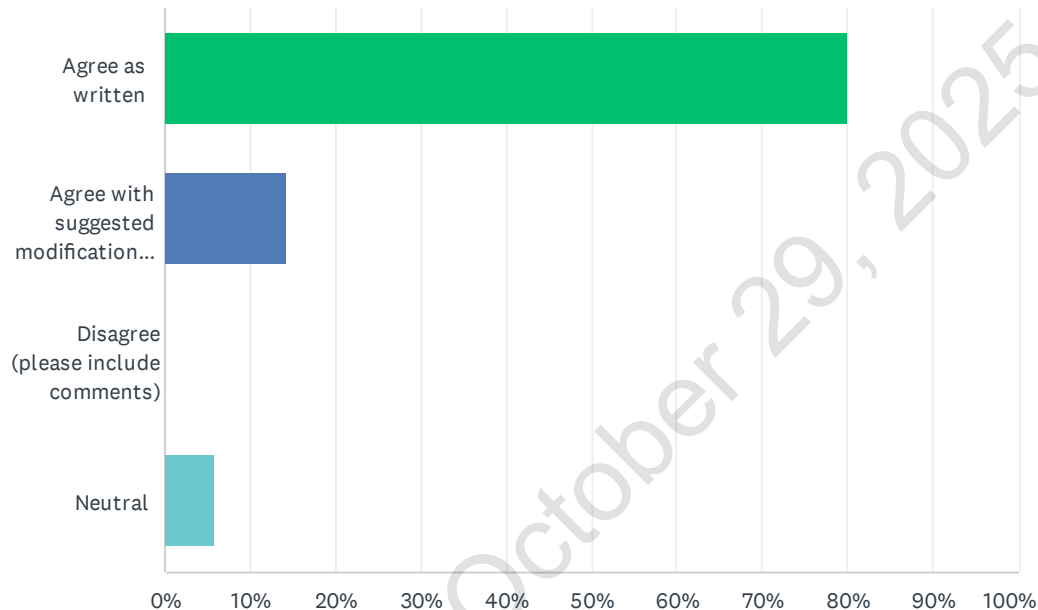
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Q10 Draft Statement 8 – For flow cytometry-based MRD testing of bone marrow aspirate from patients with B-ALL, laboratories should assess hemodilution. Note: First pull is strongly preferred. (Good Practice Statement)

Answered: 35 Skipped: 37



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Agree as written	80.00%	28
Agree with suggested modifications (please include comments)	14.29%	5
Disagree (please include comments)	0.00%	0
Neutral	5.71%	2
TOTAL		35

#	COMMENTS	DATE
1	This is true also for molecular based MRD testing, first pull being strongly preferred. This should be stated.	10/14/2025 1:20 PM
2	How exactly to assess hemodilution should be mentioned to make practice standardized	10/12/2025 12:52 AM
3	Include a statement on preferred method, as there is no widely accepted method to my knowledge. Best way is to compare bone marrow aspirate smear with blood, in my opinion.	10/8/2025 4:07 PM
4	"...should assess for and comment on hemodilution with limitations and need to correlate with other high-sensitivity methods."	10/8/2025 3:44 PM
5	This can be extremely challenging depending on the panel chosen and the method preferred for assessment of hemodilution. May labs have adopted the COG protocol for B-ALL assessment, and I don't believe there is an easy way to assess hemodilution using that panel. The first pull being strongly preferred should definitely stay though.	10/8/2025 3:40 PM

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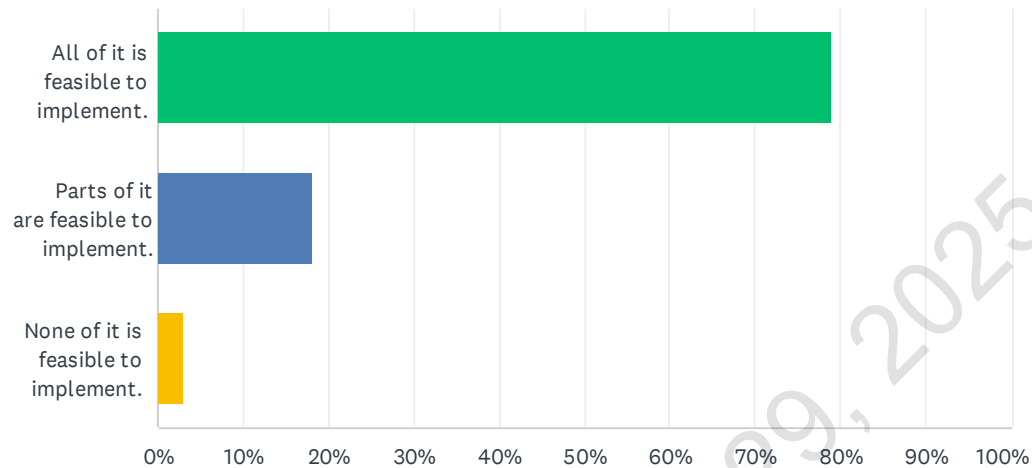
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Q11 How feasible is it to implement this guideline?

Answered: 33 Skipped: 39



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
All of it is feasible to implement.	78.79%	26
Parts of it are feasible to implement.	18.18%	6
None of it is feasible to implement.	3.03%	1
TOTAL		33

#	COMMENTS ABOUT THE FEASIBILITY OF IMPLEMENTING THE GUIDELINE:	DATE
1	Some labs may only be soing flow cytometry and don't have NGD or PCR	10/12/2025 12:53 AM
2	NGS-based testing will not be feasible in our laboratory, but the other types of proposed testing are feasible	10/8/2025 5:45 PM

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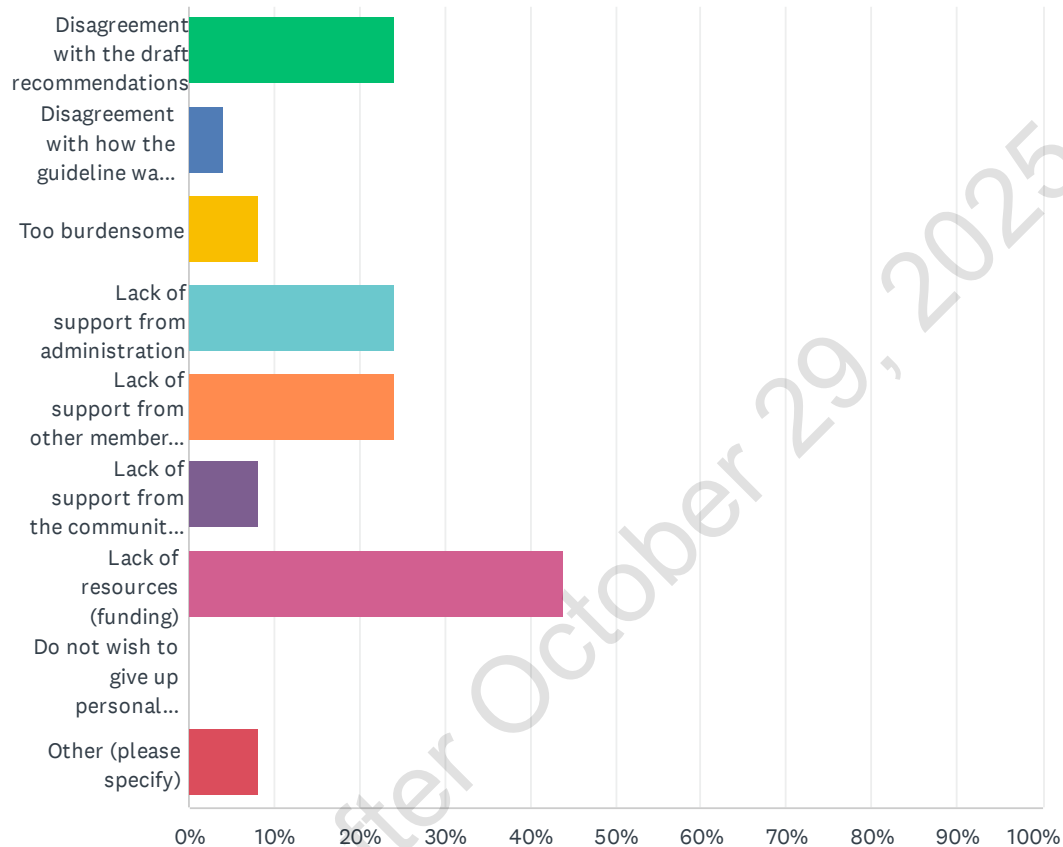
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Q12 What barriers might impede adoption of the final guideline? (Choose all that apply.)

Answered: 25 Skipped: 47



ANSWER CHOICES		RESPONSES	
Disagreement with the draft recommendations		24.00%	6
Disagreement with how the guideline was developed		4.00%	1
Too burdensome		8.00%	2
Lack of support from administration		24.00%	6
Lack of support from other members of the medical team		24.00%	6
Lack of support from the community (others outside your institution e.g., patients, industry)		8.00%	2
Lack of resources (funding)		44.00%	11
Do not wish to give up personal autonomy to follow the guideline		0.00%	0
Other (please specify)		8.00%	2
Total Respondents: 25			

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
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1	None.	10/9/2025 12:38 PM
2	None	10/8/2025 2:11 PM

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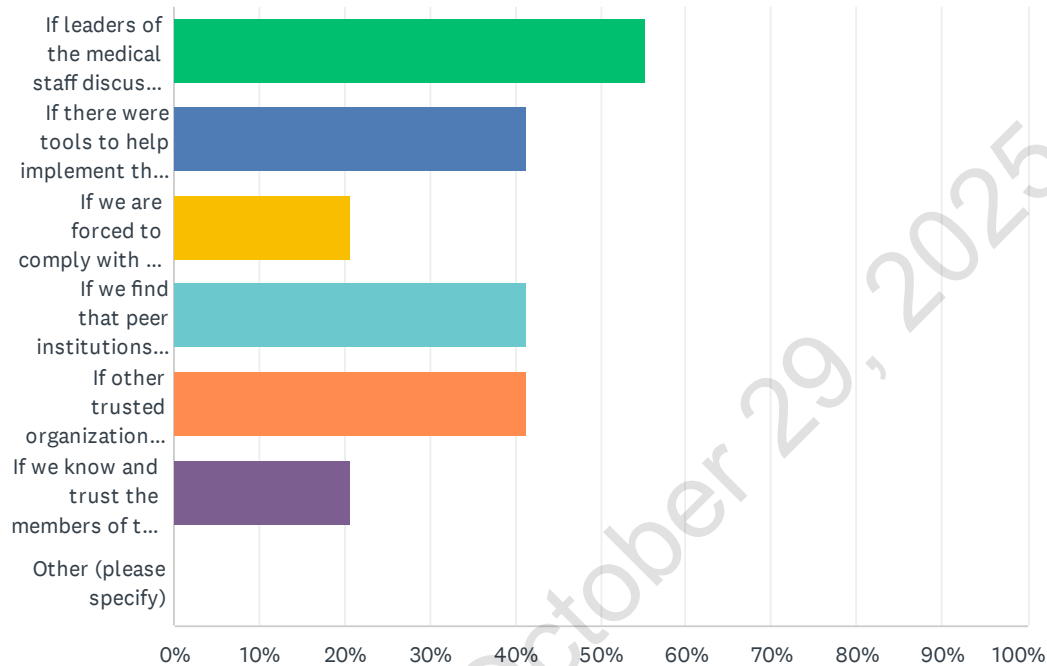
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Q13 What facilitators might assist in your adoption of the final guideline? (Please select your top 3 facilitators.)

Answered: 29 Skipped: 43



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
If leaders of the medical staff discussed adoption/adaption of the guideline for our practice setting	55.17%	16
If there were tools to help implement the guideline	41.38%	12
If we are forced to comply with the guideline by administration or an accreditation body	20.69%	6
If we find that peer institutions/practices adopt the guideline	41.38%	12
If other trusted organizations endorse the guideline	41.38%	12
If we know and trust the members of the panel members and/or organizations who developed the guideline	20.69%	6
Other (please specify)	0.00%	0
Total Respondents: 29		

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
	There are no responses.	

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Q14 Please provide any general comments or concerns:

Answered: 3 Skipped: 69

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Good Initiative, In Low middle income countries, the availability of assay and costs decides the choice for clinician	10/15/2025 8:10 AM
2	Bone marrow biopsy is painful and time consuming. While it is the best test to date, I hope we will have a better and validated way to access MRD in the future.	10/14/2025 1:49 PM
3	Nice job	10/8/2025 2:11 PM

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