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Abstract

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Materials

Instruments needed:

- Bürker chamber
- Optical microscope
- Plastic labware

Materials:

Trypan blue catalog number: T8154-100mLSigma Italy

Safety warnings

- ❗ Cancerogenic solution, be careful when handling it!

- 1 Use Trypan Blue solution for checking cell viability.

Mix  10 µL of cell suspension with an equal amount of Trypan Blue solution (dilution factor = 2).

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- 2 Take  10 µL of the mixture and place it inside a Bürker chamber and view under an optical microscope using 40X magnification.
- 3 Count the cells in each square found in the four corners and in the central square (see figure 1 below), including those that lie on the bottom and left-hand perimeters, but not those that lie on the top and right hand perimeters (see figure 2 below).

Total number of cells per ml = mean number of cells x dilution factor x 10^4 (hemacytometer volume).

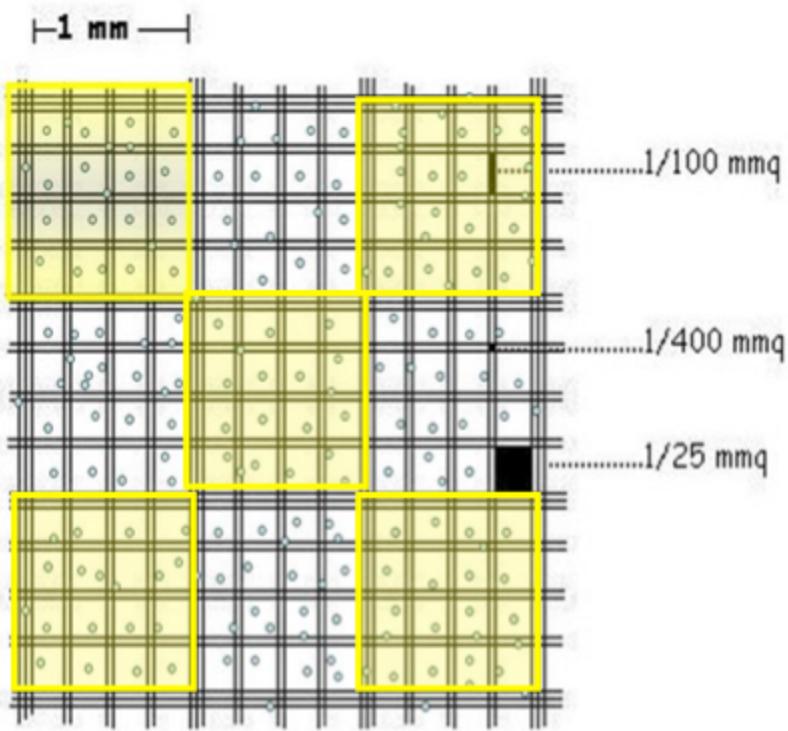


Figure 1

The gridded area of the chamber consists of nine 1 mmq squares. These squares are subdivided in three directions; 0.0625 mmq, 0.05 mmq and 0.04 mmq. The central square here in Figure 1 is further subdivided into $0.0025 \text{ mmq} = 1/25 \text{ mmq}$ squares. Count cells in 5 squares as shown.

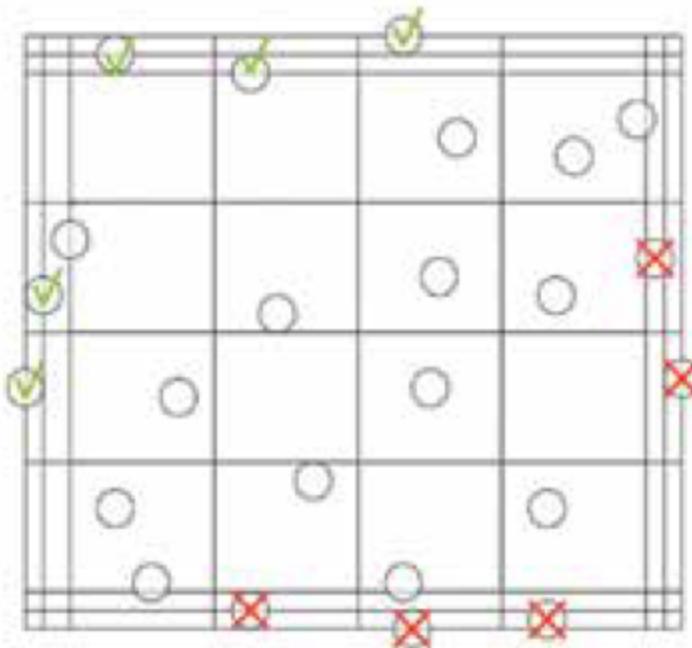


Figure 2

Concerning those cells that lay on the perimeter of the square, count following this scheme.