## **SQA-Vision Visualization Counters: Features and Use Table**

Background: This technical bulletin is released to help guide SQA-Vision users on the correct use of the SQA-Visualization counters with SQA-Vision software version: 44.4.3, release March 2021. To upgrade your system from a previous version, please CONTACT US.

|                        | ZOOM     |          | Type of Slide  | Use  |
|------------------------|----------|----------|--|--|
| Visualization          | SETTING* |          |  |  |
| Screen                 | Zoom     | Zoom     | (Standard/Pre-Stained/Fixed Coverslip)                                   |  |
|                        | In       | Out      |  |  |
| Debris Scanner         | 1        | √        | MES Fixed Coverslip Slides<br>or<br>1" x 3" slide + 22 x 22 mm coverslip | Assess % Debris/Round Cell presence in the sample (Low, Moderate, Many, Gross).                                      |
| Morphology             | √        | √        | QwikCheck Pre-Stained Slides<br>+ 22 x 22 mm coverslip                   | Assess Sperm Morphology: Normal vs. Abnormal or Full Differential based on user defined parameters.                  |
| Vitality               | 1        | 1        | 1" x 3" slide + 22 x 22 mm coverslip                                     | Assess Live vs. Dead sperm. Reported as % Live (also known as Viability).  |
| DNA Fragmentation      | 1        | 1        | 1" x 3" slide + 22 x 22 mm coverslip                                     | Assess sperm Halo for genetic factors.<br>Reported as % Halo vs. % No Halo.  |
| Low Quality<br>Counter |          | √        | MES Fixed Coverslip Slides<br>or<br>1" x 3" slide + 22 x 22 mm coverslip | Assess samples below the dynamic range of the SQA system (Concentration < 2, or Motile Sperm Concentration < 0.2).   |
| Manual Counter         |          | <b>V</b> | MES Fixed Coverslip Slides<br>or<br>1" x 3" slide + 22 x 22 mm coverslip | For manual counting of sperm parameters:<br>Concentration, Motility, and Progressive<br>Motility.                    |
| Post VAS Counter       |          | √        | MES Fixed Coverslip Slides<br>or<br>1" x 3" slide + 22 x 22 mm coverslip | For manual counting of Post Vas samples. Reporting of motile, immotile and total sperm cells in limited quantities.  |
| QC Mark Counter        |          | <b>V</b> | MES Fixed Coverslip Slides<br>or<br>1" x 3" slide + 22 x 22 mm coverslip | For manually counting the number of Beads per field for QC of visualization screen and comparison to manual results. |

## **Assessment Notes:**

- Low-Quality Counter: Count at least ten fields of view.
- Manual Counter / QC Counter: Count at least ten fields of view but not less than 200 SPERM if available.
- Post Vas Counter: Count 50 fields of view (lock to lock on the stage adjustment knob).

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