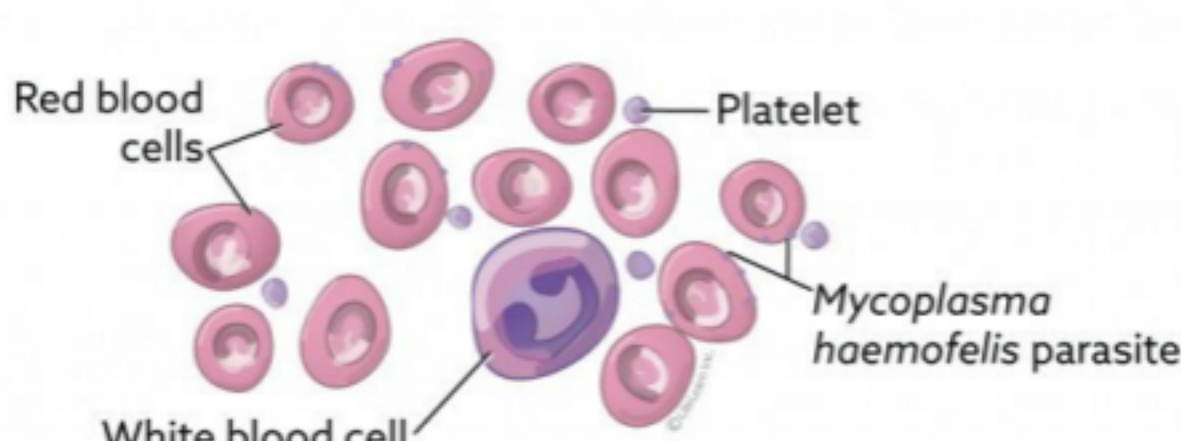




Newsletter 08/2019

We are pleased to welcome you to the monthly BattLab newsletter. This newsletter will bring you the latest news and information about our laboratory and all tests that we can offer to all our clients.

HAEMOTROPIC MYCOPLASMA INFECTION IN CATS: A DIAGNOSTIC CHALLENGE



Haemotropic Mycoplasmas are small rickettsial organisms that can cause severe haemolytic anaemia in cats. In the past, the disease was called feline infectious anaemia or haemobartonellosis but recently the infectious agent has been reclassified and named *Mycoplasma haemofelis*.

There are three main species that are distributed worldwide, with varying prevalence and associated clinical signs. *Mycoplasma haemofelis* is the most pathogenic species and acute infection can result in severe haemolytic anaemia. The most common clinical signs in acutely infected ill cats with severe anaemia include tachypnoea, depression, anorexia, weight loss, and pale or icteric mucous membranes. Splenomegaly may also occur.

Candidatus Mycoplasma haemominutum and *Candidatus Mycoplasma turicensis* have also been described in the cat and commonly cause a chronic, subclinical infection. However, haemolytic anaemia may occur with these species but is mainly associated with concurrent retroviral infections (FeLV, FIV) or other diseases. Unfortunately, these organisms are infrequently observed on blood films owing to their small size.

[Read more \(how to diagnose it?\)](#)

EVENTS REMINDER

We are pleased to announce the third of our series of seminars at BattLab taking place on the 10th of September and focusing on urinalysis in dogs and cats. The seminar is mainly addressed to veterinarians but nurses and technicians are welcome to join too.

You will be guided by our senior clinical pathologist, Francesco Cian, in all steps of this important test from the best way of collection of the urine sample to its analysis. You will learn how to recognise the most common pathologies, from UTI, urolithiasis and neoplasia, in particular transitional cell carcinoma.

The seminar is free of charge. For registration send an email with your contact details.

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Seminar Invitation

Urinalysis: a step by step approach

We are pleased to announce the third of our seminars at BattLab for 2019, addressed to all veterinarians and focusing on urinalysis in dogs and cats.

Date: Tuesday 10th September 2019

Starting: 19:30

Venue: BattLab, The Venture Centre, University of Warwick Science Park, Sir William Lyons Road, Coventry CV4 7EZ (Free parking)

Speaker: Francesco Cian (DVM DipECVCP FRCPath MRCVS) Veterinary Clinical Pathologist at BattLab

Programme:
19:30-20:00 - Light refreshment
20:00-21:30 – Seminar

Additional Information:

This seminar is open to all veterinarians and is free of charge.
First come, first served. We ask for your understanding that the number of participants is limited (with a maximum of 3 vets per practice).
Registration before the seminar is absolutely necessary.



BattLab will also be an exhibitor at the upcoming annual congress of the European College of Veterinary Dermatology (ECVD) that will take place in Liverpool on the 26-28 of September.



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HAPPY HOLIDAYS

BattLab wants to wish you all HAPPY SUMMER HOLIDAYS and remind you we will be regularly open all days from Monday to Friday with our usual opening times (9am-530pm).

Yours sincerely,
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