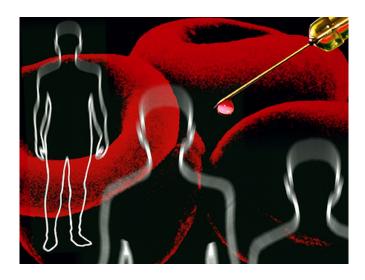


Prevalence of folate deficiency 14.1 percent in multiple myeloma

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(HealthDay)—The prevalence of folate deficiency is 14.1 percent among patients with multiple myeloma (MM), according to a letter to the editor published online Dec. 19 in the *International Journal of Laboratory Hematology*.

Supakanya Wongrakpanich, M.D., from the Einstein Medical Center in Philadelphia, and colleagues conducted a 10-year retrospective study to examine the frequency of folate deficiency in patients with MM. Information on folate status was available for 78 patients with MM. Patients were divided according to folate level: normal folate group (4 to 20 ng/mL) and low folate group (

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