Quick Clinical Reference Chart for Visual Inspection with Acetic Acid (VIA)

**VIA NEGATIVE**

- No definite acetowhite area
- Acetowhiteness of the mucus on columnar epithelium
- Mucus plug
- Nabothian cysts
- Polyp
- Acetowhite area far away from SCJ

**VIA POSITIVE**

- Well-defined, acetowhite lesions touching the SCJ or close to the os
- Acetowhiteness on the entire cervix

**CANCER**

- Acetowhiteness of growth on the cervix
- Acetowhiteness of growth on the cervix; partly obliterated by bleeding

SCJ: Squamocolumnar junction

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