IFCC-Abbott Visiting Lecturer Programme Applications received for 2009

Country	Applicant association	Period of Lectureship	Speaker/s	Lectures title(s) or topic(s)
TURKEY	Turkish Biochemical Society	12-20 January 2009	S. Sandberg (NO)	Critical apraisal of clinical guidelines. Diagnosis and management of porphyrias; the role of clinical laboratories.
MEXICO	Mexican Association of Clinical Biochemistry	14-21 March 2009	C. Weykamp (NL)	Global standardisation of HbA1c. Biochemistry of HbA1c, interference by haemoglobin variants, review of analytical methods.
VIETNAM	Vietnam Association of Clinical Biochemists	23-27 March 2009	R. Bais (AU) T. Badrick (AU)	Workshops and lectures on QC/QA in clinical laboratories.
SRI LANKA	Association for Clinical Biochemistry	4-5 April 2009	J. Smith (UK) E. Frank (IN) D. Bullock (UK) K. Sikaris (AU)	Workshop of Laboratory Quality Control.
		6 April 2009	J. Smith (UK) K. Sikaris (AU)	Seminar on Interpretative Skills in Clinical Chemistry.
SYRIA	Syrian Clinical Laboratory Association	23-24 April 2009	A. Griesmacher (AT) W. Herrmann (DE) I. Young (UK)	Sepsis markers in clinical routine use. Methylation and neurodegeneration: the role of hyperhomocysteinemia and B-vitamin deficiency in neurological and psychiatric diseases. Pro-inflammatory and anti-inflammatory effects of lipoproteins. Nutritional modification of inflammation.
ROMANIA	Romanian Association of Medical Laboratories	22-23 June 2009	A. M Simundic (CR) B.S.F. Shine (UK)	Workshop on basic biostatistics and research design.
ARGENTINA	Confederacion Unificada Bioquimica de la Republica Argentina	4-8 August 2009 posponed to 20-21 May due to H1N1	J. Middle (UK)	Traceability and uncertainty in Lab Medicine. News from JCTLM. Patient outcomes and EQAS.
PARAGUAY	Asociacion de Bioquimicos del Paraguay	1-3 September 2009	E. Jacobs (US) K. Adeli (CA) C. Price (UK)	POCT Workshop.
		3 September 2009	E. Jacobs (US)	Plenary Conference: implementation and management of POCT.
MACEDONIA	Macedonian Society of Medical Biochemists	17 September 2009	E. Frank (IN) J. Krahn (CA) H. Stekel (DE)	Accreditation and total quality management; Information management and documentation. Pre-analytical requirements for quality; Measuring and monitoring quality Assuring post-analytical quality; Quality indicators and continual improvment in the clinical laboratory
LEBANON	Syndacat des Biologtistes du Liban	30 September 2009	E. Delaporte (FR) M. Ferrari (IT) J. Chiaroni (FR)	Emerging viruses and HIV Predictive medicine: lights and shadow Blood group and anthropology.

PERU'	Peruvian Association of Clinical Laboratory Professional	16-18 October 2009	W.P. Oosterhuis (NL) F.H. Fares Taie (AR)	Workshop on evidence-based laboratory medicine and guideline development.
NIGERIA	Association of Clinical Chemists of Nigeria	26-27 October 2009	J. Hicks (US) D. Young (US)	Issues in adolescents; About IFCC Non communicable diseases in elderly.
CHINA	Asian Pacific Association of Clinical Biochemistry	2-7 November 2009	M. Panteghini (IT)	The basics of cardiac biomarker interpretation; Standardization of clinical enzimology; Traceability, reference systems and results comparability; Estimating glomerular filtration rate from serum creatinine measurements: analytical issues and standardisation programmes.
INDIA	Association of Clinical Biochemistry of India	4-6 November 2009	G. Shannan (SY)	Quality management: overview of six sigma in workshop on quality assurance and quality control in clinical laboratories; Quality management in laboratory practice in symposium on clinical laboratory practice.
ARGENTINA	Confederacion Unificada Bioquimica de la Republica Argentina	10-14 November 2009	W. Steimer (DE) R. Christenson (US)	XXI Century Medicine. Pharmacogenomics: present and future; Personalised medicine. The newest trends in laboratory diagnostics Guidelines development: work assessment workshop; Screening and EBLM: is there a sufficient case for PSA testing?
URUGUAY	Associacion Bioquimica Uruguaya	12-15 November 2009	M. Ferrari (IT)	Advanced technology for molecular diagnosis; Nanotechnologies; Microarrays; Pharmacogenomics.