

The *Clinical Chemistry* Trainee Council (CCTC) is a free web-based educational initiative of *Clinical Chemistry* published by the American Association for *Clinical Chemistry*. This is an educational program meant to be the primary educational resource for laboratory medicine trainees worldwide. The CCTC has broadened its valuable content to include lectures and educational materials in all disciplines of laboratory medicine including microbiology, transfusion medicine, molecular diagnostics and hematology.

The CCTC includes an abundance of free educational materials including the recently launched Question Bank. The Question Bank assists laboratory medicine trainees in preparation for board examinations in both the US and UK and helps those wishing to assess their knowledge. Tailor your study experience to your personal needs. With over 3,000 questions available on the program or under peer review, it is an ever-evolving program that keeps users returning daily. The Question Bank is a program to be very proud of and an effort that would not have been accomplished without the generosity of many individuals and groups to whom the CCTC is most grateful. **Check out the Question Bank** now to find everything you need in one mobile-accessible place.

Other valuable content includes Clinical Case Studies, Q&A (a virtual roundtable discussion among a group of experts about a hot topic), and the Guide to Scientific Writing (a series of 14 articles). In addition, the journal periodically publishes interviews with world scientific leaders and articles about prominent clinical chemists (Inspiring Minds) that can be of great interest and serve as an inspiration to young scientists. The timely Pearls of Laboratory Medicine are 15 minute presentations about key topic, and CouncilChat is a chat room directed by 6 junior faculty members from around the world. In addition, as members of the CCTC, all trainees have access to our more than 200 popular podcasts, which have been downloaded over 820,000 times in the last 3 years.

This program is currently available in its entirety in English, Spanish, Portuguese and Chinese while Japanese, Russian, and Turkish are upcoming. This outreach makes the CCTC a primary educational resource for laboratory medicine trainees worldwide.

Through the Trainee Council, the journal will make all these materials freely available to trainees and their mentors. Join the other 5,000 registrants and become a member today by registering in the Trainee Council and gain access to all the materials free of charge at www.traineecouncil.org, it takes less than a minute!!

