## **KSCC** Korean Society of Clinical Chemistry

The Korean Society of Clinical Chemistry (KSCC) celebrated its 30th Anniversary in 2013. In 1983, KSCC started as a division of Korean Society for Laboratory Medicine (KSLM) and devoted in the development of clinical chemistry division tremendously and contributed to the effective national health. On October 28th, 1983, the first meeting was held in Seoul at which the KSCC was founded. The first chair was Dr. Soon-Ho Kim who was the professor of Pusan National University.

KSCC has several subdivisions such as clinical chemistry, immunoassay, therapeutic drug monitoring, biochemical genetics, urinalysis, tandem mass spectrometry, etc. With commitment of society members filled up with passions and by virtue of their precious efforts, KSCC could show academic achievements and growth. It plays a very active role in ensuring members being able to be kept informed on the latest developments in the fileds of the above subdivisions, by running education programs, scientific meetings, specialist seminars, scientific projects, and interacting with similar professional associations that represent other parts of KSLM.

KSCC now runs review courses for society members, organizes biannual academic conferences and collaborates overseas with International Federation of Clinical Chemistry (IFCC) and Asia Pacific Federation of Clinical Biochemistry (APFCB) as the active member of IFCC and APFCB.

In 2002, KSCC received the IFCC Roche Award. In 2010, KSCC successfully hosted the 12th Asian-Pacific Congress of Clinical and Biochemistry (APCCB) in Seoul, Korea. Since 2011, Laboratory Medicine Online (LMO) and the Clinical Chemistry and Laboratory Medicine (CCLM) have been the official journals for KSCC. Dr. Jin Q. Kim, the 4th president of KSCC, contributed on the advisory board of CCLM from 1999 to 2006. Dr. Jeong-Ho Kim, the board of KSCC and the chairperson of KSLM, has been contributing on the editorial board of CCLM since 2010. KSCC is supporting HbA1C standardization by consulting the approved laboratory of IFCC Network Laboratory for HbA1C in Korea (Korean Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (KCDC)). KSCC is participating as a council member for the International Consortium for Harmonization of Clinical Laboratory Results organized by AACC

(http://www.harmonization.net) 2013. On June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2014, the venue for 'IFCC WorldLab 2020' was officially announced at the IFCC Council meeting in Istanbul. KSCC could have a successful bid and the 'IFCC WorldLab 2020' will be held in Seoul, Korea in May 24-28, 2020. Currently the KSCC has about 500 regular members and about 30 corporate members. All the members of KSCC are thrilled and have plenty of passion to hold the 'IFCC WorldLab Seoul 2020' successfully.

All the members of KSCC want to contribute to improving and maintaining the multidisciplinary and international leadership of IFCC. Furthermore, all the members of KSCC want to contribute to highly acclaimed history of IFCC.



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