

**IFCC-Abbott Visiting Lecturer Programme  
Applications received for 2015**

Status	Country	Applicant	Period	Speaker/s	Lectures title(s) or topic(s)	Location
APPLICATION APPROVED (06/08/14)	Hong Kong	Joseph Lee (Chairman Education Committee, HKSCC)	9-10 January 2015	H. Morris (AU)	a) Bone markers and their use b) Strategies for interpretation and commenting on Clinical Laboratory Results	1) YMCA Hotel, (Kowloon, Hong Kong) 2) Queen Elizabeth Hospital (Kowloon, Hong Kong)
APPLICATION APPROVED (06/08/14)	CHINA	Woei-Hong Fang (Chinese Association for Clinical Biochemistry - CACB)	20-26 March 2015	H. Morris (AU)	a) Bone and Calcium b) Vitamin D metabolism	a) The CACB Annual Scientific Meeting, Taipei, Taiwan b) Special lecture at National Cheng Kung University, Tainan, Taiwan
APPLICATION APPROVED (15/01/15)	Lebanon	Dr Christian Haddad (national representative Lebanon Society of Biology)	16-17 April 2015	M. Ferrari (IT) J. F. Schved J. Goudable (FR)	a) Les thromboses recidivantes avec bilan de thrombophilie négatif (J.F. Schved) b) Nouveaux anticoagulants ou AVK: que choisir? (J.F. Schved) c) Histoire de l'hémophilie? (J.F. Schved) d) L'obésité en 2015 (J. Goudable) e) Exploration biologique d'une pathologie digestive (J. Goudable) f) Les carences en micronutriments dans les pathologies digestives (J. Goudable) g) The future of molecular biology in the diagnostic laboratories (M Ferrari) h) Non invasive prenatal diagnosis: the state of the art (M. Ferrari)	Beirut, Libanon
APPLICATION APPROVED (15/10/14)	Zimbabwe	Vanessa Steenkamp (Chair of Scientific Committee, 4th AFCC)	27th April 2015: workshop 28 – 30th April: Congress	R. Bais (Au)	a) Workshop: interpretation of EQA, laboratory QC and how these can improve laboratory performance. b) Lecture on EQA programs for developing countries, (includes implementation, interpretation, etc) c) Update of Zambia including the process	Harare, Zimbabwe
APPLICATION APPROVED (15/10/14)	Zambia	Hilary Lumano (Zambia National Representative)	4 – 5 May, 2015	R. Bais (Au)	a) Summary of ZSB-IFCC EQA program; b) Presentations on QC, interpretation of EQA	Paediatric Centre of Excellence (PCOE) University Teaching Hospital Lusaka
APPLICATION APPROVED (20/02/15)	Paraguay	M. Montserrat Blanes Gonzalez (National Rep. Paraguayan Biochemistry Association)	6-10 May, 2015	P. Esperon (UY) L. Ortiz (CL)	a) Experience in Quality Management Systems in a Chilean Laboratory Reference (L. Ortiz) b) Preanalytical errors, monitoring corrective system (L. Ortiz) PLENARY Conference - Therapy stratification using pharmacogenetics (increasing number of gene loci associated with pro drug activation), drug metabolism and excretion (P. Esperon) SYMPOSIUM - Experience in Uruguay, service and research of non-infectious molecular analytes (P. Esperon)	Asuncion - Paraguay
APPLICATION APPROVED (12/01/15)	Romania	Ioana Brudasca (Associate Professor MD PhD RALM president)	20 - May 2015	M. Ferrari (IT) G. Bealstall (UK) P. Laifinen (FI)	a) The future of molecular biology in the diagnostic laboratories P4 Medicine: Predictive, Preventive, Personalized and Participatory. A new trend in Laboratory Medicine b) What is Quality and Why Does it Matter? (lecture followed by an interactive session) Standardization in Laboratory Medicine: Putting it into Practice c) Process-based planning of a new laboratory building Automation laboratory - CASE HUSLAB	Conference Hall of Cavalier Hotel Sighisoara, Romania
APPLICATION APPROVED (11/05/15)	Morocco	Layachi Chabraoui (SMCC National representative)	4 - 6 June 2015	M. Ferrari (IT) M. Novelli (IT) P.J. Lamy (FR)	a) Oncogénétique: une révolution dans la prise en charge biologique des cancers b) P4 medicine: Predictive, Preventive, Personalized and Participatory. A new trend in Laboratory medicine c) Liquid biopsy: a new trend in cancer diagnostics d) Pharmacogenomics and precision medicine: from laboratory to clinical practice e) Genomic biomarkers and geo-geography of Noncommunicable Diseases	Hotel Hayatt Regency Casablanca
APPLICATION APPROVED (11/05/2015)	China (Beijing)	Sun Fei	09-11 - September	H. Morris	a) Bone markers and their use b) Standardization and harmonization	Nanjing International Exhibition Center, Nanjing, China
APPLICATION APPROVED (02/09/2015)	Mexico (IFCC-VLP)	Dr Jesus Norberto Lozano (CONAQUIC, affiliate)	15 September	P. Fortina (US) E. London (US)	a) Future Directions for Mol Dx b) Interpreting the cancer genome through next-generation sequencing	Boca del Rio Veracruz, Mexico
APPLICATION APPROVED (October 2015)	Ecuador (IFCC VLP)	Dr Maria Saldarreaga	24-26 September	Dr Gabriel Carballo (AR) Dr Maria Angelica Veliz (AR)	Harmonization and quality control in the determination of anti-nuclear antibodies using Hep-2 cells as substrate Biochemical markers in acute and chronic liver diseases	Quito, Ecuador
APPLICATION APPROVED (28/04/2015)	Argentina	Maria Alejandra Arias (CUBRA)	08 - October 2015	J.M. Queraltó (ES)	a) The immune complexes and the persistence of high levels of serum vitamin B12 b) Holotranscobalamin role (HoloTC) in the diagnosis of patients with low serum cobalamin. Comparison with the methylmalonic acid and Homocysteine. c) Cobalamin combined and iron deficiency anemia: A diagnostic approach using a model based on age and evaluation of homocysteine	Catamarca, Argentina
APPLICATION APPROVED (20/02/2015)	Cyprus	Spyrola Christou (Association of Clinical Laboratory Directors, Biomedical and Clinical)	10-11 October 17-18 October	K. Sikaris (AU)	a) Interpreting Tumour marker results b) f/t psa Ratio and Psa Doubling time	Limassol - Cyprus
APPLICATION APPROVED (11/05/2015)	Philippines	Elizabeth Arcellana Nuqui (President of the Philippine Council for Quality Assurance in Clinical Laboratory)	12-15 - October 9-13 October	H. Stekel (AT) D. Young (US)	a) Laboratory Information Systems - the Basics b) Method Comparison c) Measurement Uncertainty a) Financial and strategic planning b) Laboratory errors, striving for none c) What Physicians do not know about laboratory test	Quezon City, Philippines
APPLICATION APPROVED (21/07/2015)	Uruguay	Stella Raymondo (Asociacion Bioquimica Uruguaya)	22 October	B. Gouget (FR)	a) Impact of automation on medical labs efficiency b) Quality Management and accreditation c) Advisory visit to external quality program new facilities at Faculty of chemistry. Meeting with human resources looking for exchange ideas with them	Montevideo, Uruguay
APPLICATION APPROVED (02/09/2015)	Bolivia (IFCC-VLP)	Alvaro Justiniano Grosz (National Rep Sociedad Boliviana de Bioquímica Clínica)	25-29 November	L. Ortiz (CL) E. Aranda (CL) J.P. Grammatico (AR)	Laboratory Accreditation Internal Audits Pre Analytical Indicators Thrombosis and Coagulations Quality Control Microbiology	Oruro, Bolivia