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On behalf of the Congress Organising Committee and the South African Association for Clinical Biochemistry (SAACB), it gives me great pleasure to invite colleagues to the Congress of Clinical Chemistry and Laboratory Medicine (WorldLab).

This meeting is also being organized in co-operation with the African Federation of Clinical Chemistry (AFCC). It is the first time that such a meeting is being held in Africa and reflects the growing importance of this continent.

WorldLab 2017 promises to be one of the best with a unique blend of innovative science, evidence based laboratory med-

icine and an emphasis on personalized medicine. This reflects the changing directions of science and medicine with greater attention being paid to prevention and risk stratification. Because of the expanding role of laboratory medicine, we plan to combine this meeting with other clinical specialities which will underscore the overarching influence of laboratory medicine in health care.

The scientific and social programmes will provide opportunities to forge new collaborations and to connect with leaders of the diagnostic industry at the IVD product show linked to the three-day conference/workshop program. We are confident that this meeting will attract delegates from all the member IFCC societies and that each regional federation will play an important role in making this meeting one of the best in recent times.

Africa is traditionally associated with its magnificent wildlife and unique cultural diversity. South Africa provides an opportunity to discover both of them. Durban, a melting pot for African and Indian cultures, is a coastal city with a tropical climate and pristine beaches and surfing. Namibia, Zambia, Zimbabwe, Mozambique and Botswana are close by and can easily be assessed by air via Johannesburg. Durban is the site for various clinical trials and some of the major breakthroughs in the management of patients with HIV have been made here.

The kingdom of KwaZulu- Natal, South Africa beckons and extends a warm welcome to all of you. It's a unique cultural destination littered with historical sites of past battles fought between the Zulus and the British forces. Hiking in the majestic Drakensburg Mountains, barely an hour away, is an activity not to be missed. The famous Table Mountain in Cape Town and the world renowned Kruger National Park are easily accessible.

The Organizing Committee of WorldLab, the South African Association for Clinical Biochemistry and African Federation of Clinical Chemistry look forward to welcoming you to Durban in the Royal Kingdom of KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa in 2017.

Professor Rajiv Erasmus,

Congress President and Chairman of the Organizing Committee, WorldLab 2017, Durban

Tahir Pullay

Professor Tahir S. Pillay,

Congress President and Chairman of the Scientific Programme Committee, WorldLab 2017, Durban

President, South African Association for Clinical Biochemistry and Laboratory Medicine



Dear Friends and Colleagues,

It is my great pleasure to announce that the 23rd International Congress of Clinical Chemistry and Laboratory Medicine (IFCC Worldlab 2017) in conjunction with the 57th Meeting of the South African Association for Clinical Biochemistry and Laboratory Medicine and the 5th Congress of the African Federation of Clinical Chemistry, will be held in Durban, South Africa, October 22nd – October 25th, 2019 and to invite you to take part to this very newsworthy scientific event.

Whether you work in a hospital, a university, in private practice or in the diagnostics industry IFCC WorldLab 2017 in Durban will be the place to come. The chance to combine leading world experts with the unique treasures of Durban represents a valuable opportunity to allow people coming from all over the world to gather and exchange ideas. This will be a special conference held in the modern Durban International Convention Center, an ideal location to participate to a very advanced scientific presentations combined with the largest exhibition of in vitro diagnostic products..

IFCC WorldLab 2017 will cover all the scientific and technological aspects of Laboratory Medicine. We are expecting participants from all over the world and a great contribution from exhibitors. A well balanced program of oral and poster presentations, and dedicated workshops, will guarantee an efficient exchange of ideas and allow productive discussions.

I am certain that the scientific program is of high quality and interest containing innovative ideas and of direct relevance to modern laboratory medicine. The accompanying industrial exhibition will provide information and advice on the most up to date equipment, diagnostics, informatics and professional practice.

These are exciting times in the world of laboratory medicine. Therefore, laboratory medicine specialists and the diagnostic industry have a responsibility to work together to convert data into knowledge which can be used to add value to patients health.

I look forward to welcoming you in Durban Yours sincerely,

Prof. Maurizio Ferrari IFCC President

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The IFCC is pleased to announce the names of the winners of the eight 2017 IFCC Distinguished Awards. The IFCC Distinguished Awards are bestowed to laboratory medicine professionals to recognize their outstanding achievements, publicize their exceptional research and contributions to medicine and healthcare, and encourage the overall advancement of clinical chemistry and laboratory medicine.

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17.30-18.45 OPENING CEREMONY

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OPENING LECTURE

Salim S. Abdool Karim (South Africa)

18.45-21.00 WELCOME GET TOGETHER

Opening Lecture



HIV in women in Africa: new evidence from phylogenetic, genomic and protein research

<u>Chair</u>: Tahir S. Pillay

Salim S. Abdool Karim (South Africa)

Salim S. Abdool Karim, MBChB, PhD, DSc (honoris causa) is a clinical infectious diseases epidemiologist widely recognised for his ground-breaking scientific contributions in HIV prevention and treatment. He is Director of CAPRISA - Centre for the AIDS Programme of Research in South Africa; Pro Vice-Chancellor (Research), University of KwaZulu-Natal; CAPRISA Professor of Global Health at Columbia University, Adjunct Professor of Medicine, Cornell University and Associate Member of The Ragon Institute of Massachusetts General Hospital (MGH), Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) and Harvard University. His contributions to microbicides for HIV prevention spans two decades and culminated in the CAPRISA 004 tenofovir gel trial which provided proof-of-concept that antiretroviral drugs can prevent sexually transmitted HIV infection and herpes simplex virus type 2 in women. He is co-inventor on patents which have been used in several HIV vaccine candidates and his clinical research on TB-HIV treatment has shaped international guidelines on the clinical management of co-infected patients.

He chairs the UNAIDS Scientific Expert Panel and is a member of both the WHO HIV-TB Task Force and the WHO Expert Panel on STIs and HIV. He is an elected Fellow of the World Academy of Sciences, African Academy of Sciences, Academy of Science in South Africa, Royal Society of South Africa and American Academy of Microbiology. He is a Foreign Associate Member of the US National Academy of Medicine. He serves on the Boards of Lancet-Global Health, Lancet-HIV and the New England Journal of Medicine.

Scientific Programme

Monday October 23

09.00-11.00

SYMPOSIUM 1 (Conference 1)

Laboratory Reference Intervals: Global Initiatives and Harmonization Challenges *Chair: K. Adeli (Canada)*

Global Initiatives on Reference Intervals and IFCC C-RIDL Recommendations *K. Ichihara (Japan)*

Closing the Gaps in Pediatric Reference Intervals: the CALIPER and CHMS initiatives K. Adeli (Canada)

Harmonisation of Laboratory Reference Intervals: the Australian Experience *J. Tate (Australia) (TBC)*

09.00-11.00

SYMPOSIUM 2 (Conference 2)

Applying Big Data in the Improvement of Laboratory Practice Chair: Y.V. Zhang (USA)

Applying big data in the selection of optimal test platform Y. V. Zhang (USA)

Translation from big data to clinically useful tests *Z. Zhao (USA)*

Applying big data of patient test results in the detection of lab errors and monitoring quality control *M. Jin (USA)*

09.00-11.00

SYMPOSIUM 3 (Conference 3)

Affordable diagnostics for Africa Chair: J. Delanghe (Belgium)

A turbidimetric method for assaying serum C-reactive protein based on phosphocholine interaction *P.L. Tugirimana (Rwanda)*

Keratin glycation: an alternative for diabetes testing A. S. Kishabongo (D.R. of Congo)

Affordable microalbumin testing J. Delanghe (Belgium)

Implementation of point-of-care diagnostics for infectious diseases in resource-limited settings A. Shapiro (USA)

09.00-11.00

IFFC S1: IFCC SD (Conference 4)



Recent Advances in Standardisation

Chair: G. Miller (USA)

Commutability issues in standardization of laboratory measurement procedures G. Miller (USA)

Standardization of Pregnancy-Associated Plasma Protein A S. Wittfooth (Finland)

Standardization of urine albumin assays L. Bachmann (USA)

Standardization of CSF proteins K. Blennow (Sweden)

11.00-11.45

BREAK

Monday October 23

11.45-12.30 PLENARY 1 (Conference 1)

Genetic diagnosis for hypercalcaemic and hypocalcaemic disorders Chair: R.T. Erasmus



R. Thakker (United Kingdom)

Rajesh Thakker is the May Professor of Medicine at the University of Oxford, and a Fellow of Somerville and Harris Manchester Colleges, Oxford. His main research interests include the molecular basis of disorders of calcium homeostasis and he has authored over 350 publications, which have included peer-reviewed papers in the New England

Journal of Medicine, Nature, Nature Genetics, Journal of Clinical Investigation and Lancet Journals. He is a Consultant Endocrinologist who provides expertise in the fields of neuroendocrine tumours (NETs), and disorders of calcium and phosphate metabolism. He was previously Professor of Medicine at The Royal Postgraduate Medical School, The Hammersmith Hospital, London, until 1999, when he took up his present position in Oxford. He has served on the MRC Physiological Medicine and Infections Board (2000-2005), the Council for the Society for Endocrinology (2003-2006), and as Chairman of the National Institute of Health Research (NIHR) / MRC Efficacy and Mechanisms Evaluations (EME) Board (2008-2016). He has been the recipient of many prizes which include: Young Investigator Award from the American Society for Bone and Mineral Research (ASBMR), USA (1988); the Raymond-Horton Smith Prize (Cambridge University, UK) (1994); the Society for Endocrinology (UK) medal (1995); the European Journal of Endocrinology Prize (EFES) (1998); WPU Jackson Memorial Lecture, Society for Endocrinology, Metabolism, and Diabetes in South Africa (SEMSDA) (1998); the Graham Bull Prize from the Royal College of Physicians (UK) (1999); Bernard Pimstone Memorial Lecture, SEMSDA (2003); the Parathyroid Medal from the Fondazione Raffaella Becagli (FIRMO) (2012); the Jack W. Coburn Endowed Lectureship from the American Society of Nephrology (2012); the Louis V Avioli Founder's Award from the ASBMR (USA) (2009); the International Research Prize from the Austrian Society for Bone and Mineral Research (2015); and the Dale Medal from the Society for Endocrinology (UK) (2015). Professor Thakker was elected to the Fellowship of the Royal Society (FRS) in 2014.

10.00-17.00 EXHIBI

EXHIBITION OPEN AREA

12.30-14.00

POSTER SESSION

12.30-14.00

LUNCH SYMPOSIUM 1 (Conference 1)



Liquid Biopsy:

circulating plasma free DNA (cfDNA) as a novel prognostic and diagnostic marker in disease states <a href="https://chair.com/ren/chair.com/chair.c

Plasma fetal DNA for prenatal screening U. Gormus (Turkey)

Liquid biopsy in tumours diagnostics; focus on prostate tumour A. Tomasi (Italy)

Liquid biopsy: Circulating free tumour DNA (ctDNA) and Circulating Tumour Cells (CTC) as novel biomarkers *T. Ozben (Turkey)*

12.30-14.00

LUNCH SYMPOSIUM 2 (Conference 2)



Frontiers in Endocrinology Chair: S.J. Soldin (USA)

Role of mass spectrometry in improving diagnosis and treatment of thyroid and adrenal diseases S.J. Soldin (USA)

Diurnal variation of steroid hormones and their reference intervals using mass spectrometric analysis *T. Parikh (USA)*

Methods and interferences in the analysis of haemoglobin A1c. Is there an ideal method? D.B. Sacks (USA)

Scientific Programme

Monday October 23

12.30-14.00 LUNCH SYMPOSIUM 3 (Conference 3)

AFCC Symposium-Infections and Diabetes

Chair: H. Matarira (South Africa)

E. Sobingwi (TBA)

Role of Iron in the development of diabetes

A. B. Okesina

HIV and Diabetes

N. Levitt

H. Matarira (TBA)

12.30-14.00 LUNCH SYMPOSIUM 4 (Conference 4)



Biomarkers in urological cancer

<u>Chair</u>: T. Zima (Czech Republic)

Receptor for advanced glycation end products in kidney cancer T. Zima/ M. Kalousová (Czech Republic)

Epigenetic nucleosomics biomarkers for detection and management of urological cancer *S. Holdenrieder (Germany)*

14.00-16.00 IFFC S1: IFCC EMD (Conference 1)



Evidence-Based Laboratory Medicine (EBLM); a global perspective

Chair: A. Zemlin (South Africa)

What is EBLM and why do we need it? C.M. Florkowski (New Zealand)

Why do Guidelines vary so much? And how do we recognise a good one? *J. Wils (France)*

Perceived competencies and need of training regarding the practice of Evidence Based Medicine among medical laboratory professionals *K. Rodriquez-Capote (Canada)*

Getting the EBLM message out to the world- new resources *H. Fares-Taie (Argentina)*

14.00-15.00 Educational Workshop 1 (Conference 2)



Infectious disease management through innovative blood cell analysis: Rapid diagnosis of the origin of fever and anaemia in developing countries for improved outcomes.

<u>Chair</u>: Professor Theresa Coetzer <u>Scientific Coordinator</u>: Petra Biggins

Welcome and Introduction Prof Theresa Coetzer

Haematology analysers in Infectious Diseases Prof Andre van der Ven

Novel flow cytometric approach to automated malaria diagnostics - performance evaluation of Sysmex XN-30 analyser

Dr Ivashen Pillay

Q&A session Prof Theresa Coetzer

Monday October 23

SYMPOSIUM 4 (Conference 3) **14.00⁻16.00**

Abbott

Risk Management and its utility in the clinical laboratory

Chairs: T.S. Pillay (South Africa), P.K. Suraj (India)

Preventing and minimizing laboratory errors and nonconformances; continual improvement, corrective and preventive actions

E. Frank (India), T.S. Pillay (South Africa)

Risk management and its utility in the clical laboratory

S. Turner (New Zealand)

SYMPOSIUM 5 (Conference 4) 14.00-16.00



Waspalm/IFCC joint symposium Genomic analysis in personalized diagnostics Chairs: R. Verna (Italy), M. Ferrari (Italy)

The ethics of genetics ownership of genetic information I. Loftus (South Africa)



Circulating cell-free DNA in cancer and transplantation M. Oellerich (Germany)

The clinical value of laboratory R. Verna (Italy)

Workshop 2 (Conference 2)

Pre-Analytical quality work in Medical Labs

Chair: M. Nybo (Denmark)

A structured walkthrough of the different phases of a quality assessed blood sampling process E. R. B. Petersen (Denmark)

Preanalytical quality assessment in Medical Labs M. Nybo (Denmark)

Test management - are we there yet?

R. McGrail (Denmark)

Educational Workshop 3 (Conference 1)



Improving Healthcare Outcomes In The Emergency Setting

Chair: Prof. Maurizio Ferrari

cTroponins: similar but not quite the same Dr Stefano Favero

Procalcitonin for management of the septic patient Dr Nicky Oosthuizen

Workshop 4 (Conference 2)

APFCB Symposium: Clinical Endocrinology Chair: L. Lai (Malaysia)

Laboratory investigations in the diagnosis and management of parathyroid disorders S. Vasikaran (Australia)

Endocrine cases and data interpretation L. Lai (Malaysia)

Vitamin D to Prevent Osteoporosis: Critical Levels and Mechanisms of Action H. Morris (Australia)

Monday October 23

16.30-17.30 Workshop 5 (Conference 3)

Role of biomarkers in precision medicine

<u>Chairs</u>: R.H.N. van Schaik (Netherlands), R. de Jonge (Netherlands)

Clinical implementation of pharmacogenetics: do you already have your DNA passport? *R.H.N. van Schaik (Netherlands)*

Cell-free DNA as a new biomarker for monitoring lung cancer D. van den Broek (Netherlands)

Predicting MTX nonresponders in adult and juvenile arthritis M. Bulatović Ćalasan (Netherlands), R. de Jonge(Netherlands)

16.30-17.30 Workshop 6 (Conference 4)

Biomarkers in clinical chemistry - omics galaxies

Chair: L. Kluijtmans (Netherlands)

The diagnostic value of untargeted metabolomics in the era of whole exome *J. Jans (Netherlands)*

Untargeted crossomics in a diagnostic setting *L. Kluijtmans (Netherlands)*

Clinical Glycomics: a nurture level on top of genes and proteins *M. van Scherpenzeel (Netherlands)*

Tuesday October 24

SYMPOSIUM 6 (Conference 1)

COLABIOCLI: Dengue, Chikungunya and Zika: Impact and intervention in Latin-American countries Chair: M. M. Blanes González (Paraguay)

Chikungunya, Dengue and Zika, a challenge for the Cuban professionals and population E. M. Abraham (Cuba)

Lessons from the epidemics of Dengue, Chikungunya and Zika in Dominican Republic R. Skewes-Ramm (Dominican Republic)

Paraguayan experience-Chikungunya: assessment and impact in Public Health in Paraguay. Correlation with values reported in Latin American region M.M. Blanes Ġonzález (Paraguay)

09.00-11.00

SYMPOSIUM 7 (Conference 2)

Clinical Laboratory Practice for Bone Turnover Markers

Chair: H. Morris (Australia)

Bone turnover markers in diagnosis and monitoring of metabolic bone disease; choosing the best marker for that patient, decision limits and treatment targets S. Vasikaran (Australia)

Bone Markers for Metastatic Bone Disease and Cancer Therapy Related Bone Disease Q.H. Meng (USA)

Bone Turnover Marker measurement; physiological principles and analytical issues; providing the optimum analytical service H. Morris (Australia)

09.00-11.00

SYMPOSIUM 8 (Conference 3)

Advances in TB diagnostics

Chair: I. Verma (India)

TB diagnosis: essentials the clinician needs from the laboratory now and in the future? K. Dheda (South Africa)

Regulatory T cell & Programmed Death Receptor-1 in human Tuberculosis: Implications in diagnosis, immunotherapy and vaccination D.K. Mitra (India)

HIV-TB synergism in co-infection: challenges in diagnosis & disease management S. Arora (India)

In vivo expressed mycobacterial genes/proteins as diagnostic biomarkers for tuberculosis I. Verma (India)

9.00-11.00

IFCC S3: IFCC EMD (Conference 4)



IFCC EMD: Implementing Cancer Genomics in Low Resource Settings Chair: L.J. Kricka (USA)

> Genomic medicine: learning how to walk before we run M. Ferrari (Italy)

Pharmacogenetic applications in oncology R.H.N. van Schaik (Netherlands)

Advanced laboratory techniques for low resource settings 11.00-11.45 B.R.Kriakk (USA)

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11.45-12.30 PLENARY 2 (Conference 1)

The Nanobody revolution in laboratory diagnostics *Chair:*

S. Muyldermans (Belgium)



Serge Muyldermans is Professor, Department of Cellular and Molecular Immunology, Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Brussels, Belgium. His main interest is in developing biochemical tools to investigate the molecular structure and function of chromatin(nucleosomes).

As such, cloning genes, screening genomic and cDNA libraries, site-directed mutagenesis, and producing recombinant proteins were part of the repertoire. Following the serendipitous disco- very of natural occurrence of functional heavy chain only antibodies in camelids he developed a streamlined method to identify rapidly the antigen-specific, single-domain antibody fragments derived from the unique Heavy chain antibodies of camelids.

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12.30-14.00 POSTER SESSION

12.30-14.00 LUNCH SYMPOSIUM 5 (Conference 1)

IFCC Wg-TEP - "Traceability in laboratory medicine: what is it and why is important? Chair: G. Beastall (UK)

Traceability in laboratory medicine: what every laboratory specialist should know G. Myers (USA)

Traceability and harmonization -powerful tools for trueness of laboratory results *E. Theodorsson (Sweden)*

Why traceability in laboratory medicine is important for patients and the public G. Beastall (UK)

12.30-14.00 LUNCH SYMPOSIUM 6 (Conference 2)



Pathophysiology of metabolic syndrome *Chair: P. Sharma (India)*

Low grade chronic inflammation in obesity and metabolic syndrome *D.M. Vasudevan (India)*

Metabolic syndrome and oxidative stress *P. Sharma (India)*

TNF α Gene (308G/A) Promoter Region Polymorphism in Metabolic Syndrome K. Vaidyanathan (India)

Metabolic Syndrome and Polycystic Ovarian Syndrome R. Sinha (India)

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LUNCH SYMPOSIUM 7 (Conference 3) 12.30-14.00

Ortho Clinical Diagnostics

Practical aspects of taking laboratory to next step

Chair: A. Gupta (India)

Measurement of uncertainty- Its practical application in a laboratory setup of a large tertiary care hospital

A. Gupta (India)

Moving ahead with six sigma

S. Sharma (India)

How to achieve comparable thyroid function test across laboratories

B. Das (India)

LUNCH SYMPOSIUM 8 (Conference 4) 2.30-14.00



Development of a clinical case bank for promoting the practice of Eblm Chairs: K. Ichihara (Japan), R.T. Erasmus (South Africa)

The protocol for building clinical case bank for laboratory diagnosis by international collaborations K. Ichihara (Japan)

Utility of the clinical case bank for improved clinical diagnosis and management of hematological malignancies

M.A. Sumon (Bangladesh)

Utility of the clinical case bank for improved clinical diagnosis and management of collagen

M. Esser (South Africa)

IFCC S4: IFCC CPD (Conference 1) 14.00-16.00



Value of Laboratory medicine in healthcare delivery and clinical outcomes

Chair: K. Adeli (Canada)

Anatomy of a value proposition for laboratory medicine

H. Morris (Australia)

Critical review of the evidence supporting the value of lab medicine in clinical care *K. Adeli (Canada)*

Demonstrating the value of laboratory tests: a clinical and economic perspective

W. van der Helm (Switzerland)

SYMPOSIUM 9 (Conference 3)

Advanced glycation products (AGEs) in diabetes mellitus and chronic diseases Chair: P. Gillery (France)

Post-translational modification derived products (PTMDPs) and AGEs: bioactive components involved in human pathophysiology

P. Gillery (France)

AGEs as biomarkers in diabetes and chronic diseases *R. Erasmus (South Africa)*

Non-Invasive Glycation Testing

J. Delanghe (Belgium)

IFCC S5: IFCC EB (Conference 4) 14.00-16.00



Facing the future of Alzheimer's disease: the value of the medical laboratory Chair: S. Bernardini (Italy)

Measurement and clinical utility of CSF proteins K. Blennow (Sweden)

The diffusion, standardization and harmonization of cerebrospinal fluid biomarkers analysis for the diagnosis of Alzheimer's disease

A. Perret-Liaudet (France)

Alzheimer's Disease in the Omics Era

S. Bernardini (Italy)



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14.00⁻15.00

Educational Workshop 7 (Conference 2)

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Uncertainty of Measurement

Chair: M. Fick

Meeting ISO 15189 requirements for Uncertainty of Measurement

M. Fick (USA)

15.15-16.15

Educational Workshop 8 (Conference 2)



Medical added value of a Hb A1c separation technique for better management of diabetes patients Chair: D.B. Sacks (USA)

Comparing detection of Hb disorders by immunoassay and capillary electrophoresis during Hb A1c measurement: impact on reporting results *M. du Plessis (South Africa)*

Medical added value of reported hemoglobinopathies when interpreting Hb A1c: a clinician perspective N. Levitt (South Africa)

16.30-17.30

Educational Workshop 9 (Conference 1)



First World Solutions for Resource Limited Settings

Infectious Disease Diagnosis S. Miller

Utility of Laboratory Solutions for Infectious Disease - Screening, Diagnosis & Treatment monitoring A. Glass

Access to Diagnostic information and how this has played a key role in turning the tide in HIV TRD

16.30-17.30

Workshop 10 (Conference 2)

Training programs for biomedical scientists/laboratory medicine specialists Chair: T. Matsha (South Africa)

Development of a training program for laboratory medical scientists and laboratory medicine specialists *T. Matsha*(South Africa)

Development of a laboratory leadership and management programme for Africa R. Erasmus (South Africa)

The EFLM/EC4 European Syllabus for postgraduate training in Laboratory Medicine: version 5 N. Jassam (UK)

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Interpretation & commenting on clinical chemistry results

Chair: S. Vasikaran (Australia)

Case presentation and discussion

E. Kilpatrick (Qatar)

Case presentation and discussion M. J. Turzyniecka (South Africa)

Case presentation and discussion K. Sikaris (Australia)

The porphyrias: from clinical presentation to a diagnosis. The role of the laboratory profession <u>Chair</u>: S. Sandberg (Norway)

An overview of the biochemistry of porphyrias *P. Meissner (South Africa)*

An overview of the clinical presentations of porphyrias *R. Hift (South Africa)*

How to diagnose the different porphyrias: Perspectives of the laboratory S. Sandberg (Norway)

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07.30-08.45

BREAKFAST SESSION (Conference 2)



Association of Clinical Pathologists (ACP) symposium

Chair: T.S. Pillay (South Africa)

Introduction: the ACP at 90

W.G. Simpson (UK)

The Journal of Clinical Pathology: role in Clinical Chemistry and Laboratory Medicine

T.S. Pillay (South Africa)

Best Practice in Pathology
A. Don-Wauchope (Canada)

Quality matters
P. Twomey (Ireland)

09.00-10.30

SYMPOSIUM 11 (Conference 1)

Emerging challenges of laboratory medicine

<u>Chair</u>: A. Raizada (India)

Lean management and its challenges

A. Raizada (India)

Laboratory Errors and patient safety: an ongoing challenge

P. Dabla (Índia)

Laboratories and POCT: a real time solution

A. Gupta (India)

09.00-10.30

SYMPOSIUM 12 (Conference 2)

Big data and metabolomics in pediatric laboratory medicine

Chair: M.J. Bennett (USA)

Untargeted metabolic analysis in pediatric laboratory medicine: over 30 years of experience and still

learning

M.J. Bennett (USA)

Retrospective and Prospective Data Mining to develop Robust Value Databases for Biomarkers of

Pediatric Disease K. Adeli (Canada)

Retrospective and prospective data mining to develop continuous, covariate-adjusted reference and

disease percentiles for biomarkers of metabolic disease

P. Rinaldo (USA)

09.00-10.30

SYMPOSIUM 13 (Conference 3)

ISOBM/EGTM Circulating tumor markers: an update

Chair: R. Molina (Spain), M.J. Duffy (Ireland)

Overview of Tumor Markers

R. Molina (Spain)

PSA in Screening for Prostate Cancer: More Good Than Harm or More Harm Than Good?

M.J. Duffy (Ireland)

How to Achieve Quality in the Measurement of Tumor Markers

C. Sturgeon (UK)

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09.00-10.30 IFFC S1: IFCC SD (Conference 4)



Standardisation in laboratory medicine beyond clinical chemistry

Chair: P. Gillery (France)

Standardization: a universal need

P. Gillery (France)

Standardization of Hb A2

A. Mosca (Italy)

Standardization of autoimmune tests

J. Sheldon (UK)

Standardization in molecular diagnostics

D. Payne (USA)

Workshop 13 (Conference 1)

Bridging the gaps between laboratory medicine & clinical decision making; challenges and conundrums: an interactive workshop

Chair: T.S. Pillay (South Africa)

Standardisation in the clinical laboratory: a case based perspective of why we should aim for standardisation

A. Don-Wauchope (Canada)

Clinical cut-points and reference intervals in the clinical laboratory: a case based perspective of issues in clinical practice

P.J. Twomey (Ireland)

Investigation of interferences in general chemistry and endocrine testing

T.S. Pillay (South Africa)

10.45-12.15 SYMPOSIUM 14 (Conference 2)



IFCC, TFYS Educational Workshop: ISO accreditation & Quality Assurance Chairs: G. Beastall (UK), P. Dabla (India)

Understanding External Quality Assessment & Internal Quality Control

P. Dabla (India)

Quality Management System for Laboratory - the French and European experience G. Boursier (France)

IStepwise approach to laboratory accreditation in "Africa" S. Olaifa (Nigeria)

Status of Lab Accreditation in South-Africa R.T. Erasmus (South Africa)

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SYMPOSIUM 15 (Conference 3)



IFCC, C-CLM - Improvement in clinical laboratory services: approaches to adding value <u>Chair</u>: S. Yenice (Turkey)

From provider of results to the contributor of value: adding value to clinical laboratory services through the use of six sigma metrics *E. Randell (Canada)*

Direct-to-Consumer Testing: Challenges with Lifestyle Tests *M. Orth (Germany)*

Implementing value-based laboratory testing A.A. Khine-Wamono (South Africa)

11.00-12.00

Workshop 14 (Conference 4)

Arab Federation Workshop: The evolution of lab medicine in the arabic countries Chair: L. Chabraoui (Marocco), B. Gouget (France)

The role of International aids to fight AIDS, tuberculosis and malaria in developing countries with special emphasis on Africa *G. Shannan (Syria)*

Conflict affected regions of the Middle East: the TB burden M. Haddad (Lebanon)

The primary care and round table session on Quality management and EQC in the Arab Federation countries the lab: an AFBC concern *M.H. Kamil*

12.20-13.00

PLENARY 3 (Conference 1)

Understanding the molecular genetics of Mycobacterium tuberculosis - pathways to diagnosis and therapy

Chair:

W. Bishai (USA)



Dr. William Bishai received his MD and PhD degrees from Harvard Medical School in 1989. He did his internship and residency at the Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston, Massachusetts, and received fellowship training in the Division of Infectious Diseases at the Johns Hopkins School of Medicine. He was a Howard Hughes Postdoctoral Research Fellow in the laboratory of Nobel laureate, Dr. Hamilton Smith. He joined the Johns Hopkins faculty in 1994 and is currently a Pro-

fessor of Medicine in the Dept. of Medicine, Division of Infectious Diseases and serves as Co-Director for the JHU Center for Tuberculosis Research. From 2010-2013 Dr. Bishai served as the founding Director of the Howard Hughes Medical Institute (HHMI)-funded KwaZulu-Natal Research Institute for Tuberculosis and HIV (K-RITH) in Durban, South Africa, where he supervised the construction of a \$40 research building and recruited seven world-class scientists to its faculty.

Dr. Bishai's interests involve tuberculosis pathogenesis, and animal models of pulmonary infections, and bacterial respiratory tract infections. His work in South Africa led to new projects on the genomics of the M/XDR-TB strains, small molecule biomarkers in human tissue and T cell immunology of TB in the peripheral blood and lung compartments of humans. He has authored over 250 papers in peer-reviewed journals including Nature, Science, New England Journal of Medicine (Scopus H-index 58) and receives grant support from the National Institutes of Health. He has given extensive service on international conference planning committees, study sections, editorial boards, and review panels including 3 years on the WHO Stop TB Partnership Coordinating Board.

13.00-13.30

CLOSING CEREMONY (Conference 1)

Congress Presidents' Remarks R. Erasmus (South Africa), T. Pillay (South Africa)

Welcome to Seoul 2020 W.K. Min (Korea), J. Song (Korea)

IFCC Remarks M. Ferrari (Italy)

Korean Farewell Cocktail



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The company is well known for its diabetes monitoring products, its quality control (QC) systems, blood virus testing and detection, blood typing, toxicology, genetic disorders testing, specialty chemistry, molecular pathology, and internet-based software products.

DIASOURCE IMMUNOASSAYS BOOTH 20

30 years of experience in IVD (kits and instrumentation)

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In January of 2016 DIAsource ImmunoAssays® has been acquired by Anteo (www.anteodx.com).

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EUROIMMUN BOOTH 71

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Over the last 25 years we have acquired solid experience in bringing robust automated immunoassay testing solutions to the market, such as the Lumipulse® series available in Europe, US and Asia. We are widely recognized as the world-wide market leader in oncology for routine and novel markers. Under the name Innogenetics, we have been pioneering in the field of molecular diagnostics and multiparameter testing.

Founded in 1950, Fujirebio is a member of Miraca Group (listed on the Tokyo Stock Exchange – TYO: 4544).

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GENEREACH BIOTECHNOLOGY CORPORATION BOOTH 10

GeneReach Biotechnology Corporation, headquartered in Taiwan, is dedicated to bringing the innovation to global health management. By developing, manufacturing and marketing products for applied nucleic acid detection technology, we offer pathogen detection platforms, including equipment and reagents, to multiple industries. The applications of our products include human health industries, aquaculture, agriculture, food, companion animal and livestock. Our products are manufactured in compliance with the requirements of Good Manufacturing Practices (GMP) in addition to ISO 9001 and ISO 13485. Developing the high performance and user friendly products is the major driving force of our research and development team. Based on this philosophy, GeneReach Biotechnology Corporation manufactures products which are reliable, affordable and easy to perform. Our goal is to provide the best detection products and service worldwide and down to the extreme of Point of Need market. Mission & Vision

Our mission is to be a premier provider of molecular diagnostic products that are capable, affordable, portable, and adaptable for point-of-need application. Our vision is "enrich your life through technology innovation". Our platform technologies will revolutionize health management industry, help more lives and guarantee satisfied customers.

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ILEX BOOTH 63

ILEX South Africa was established in 1992 as a wholly owned subsidiary of ILEX Medical LTD. Today ILEX South Africa is one of the major suppliers of IVD products in South Africa. Our products included Critical Care, Molecular Diagnostics, Immunology, Protein electrophoresis, as well as our proprietary Laboratory Information System (LIS), eLab.

The cornerstone of our company's success has been a marketing strategy that focuses on customer needs and project-based implementation. This ensures that we provide services and products of high quality. Ilex South Africa strives for service excellence and market leadership in niche diagnostic segments.

Our team of professional staff enable us to provide an exceptional service countrywide to suit specific customer needs whilst adhering the Ilex company values of Pride, Integrity, Commitment and Service Excellence.

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SEBIA BOOTH 63

Sebia a global specialty diagnostic company, develops, manufactures and commercializes IVD tests and analyzers dedicated to the in vitro diagnosis of cancer, inflammatory diseases, diabetes and hemoglobin disorders.

Sebia's focus on electrophoresis techniques enables it to maintain a sustained R&D program, providing access to genuine innovations in any lab. Both agarose gel and capillary assays, and their dedicated automation, are designed to be integrated into the same routine workflow; for gel (Assist, Hydrasys 2 Scan) and for capillary electrophoresis (Capillarys 3 TERA, stand alone or in work cell configuration up to three instruments with tube loader, Capillarys 2 Flex Piercing, Minicap Flex Piercing).

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IMMUNDIAGNOSTIK AG BOOTH 9

Immundiagnostik AG is a globally operating diagnostics company represented in over 30 countries. We focus on the development and production of innovative immunoassays (ELISA, EIA) and other analytical detection methods (e.g. HPLC, LC-MS/MS and PCR) for medical routine and research.

Our mission is to provide effective tools for prevention, differential diagnosis and therapy monitoring in the areas of gastroenterology, cardiovascular diseases, disorders of the skeletal system and oxidative stress.

The product portfolio is completed by a broad range of antibodies and antigens. Our business relations include contract analyses for diagnostic laboratories and academic research institutions, esp. in context with clinical trials.

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ORTHO CLINICAL DIAGNOSTICS

Ortho Clinical Diagnostics is a global leader of in vitro diagnostics serving the global clinical laboratory and immunohematology communities. Across hospitals, hospital networks, blood banks, and labs in more than 120 countries, Ortho's high-quality products and services enable healthcare professionals to make better-informed treatment decisions.

For the immunohematology community, Ortho's blood typing products help ensure every patient receives blood that is safe, the right type and the right unit.

Ortho brings sophisticated testing technologies, automation, information management, and interpretation tools to clinical laboratories around the world to help them run more efficiently, effectively and improve patient care.

Ortho's purpose is to improve and save lives with diagnostics and it does that by reimagining what's possible. This is what has defined Ortho for more than 75 years, and it's what drives Ortho forward.

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THE SCIENTIFIC GROUP BOOTH 43

The Scientific Group is a Clinical Diagnostic and Life Science company with 32 years' experience in sales and service in the science and heal-thcare industry.

Trinity Biotech specialises in the development, manufacture and marketing of diagnostic test kits. Our success is based on consistently achieving standards of excellence in the quality of all we do.

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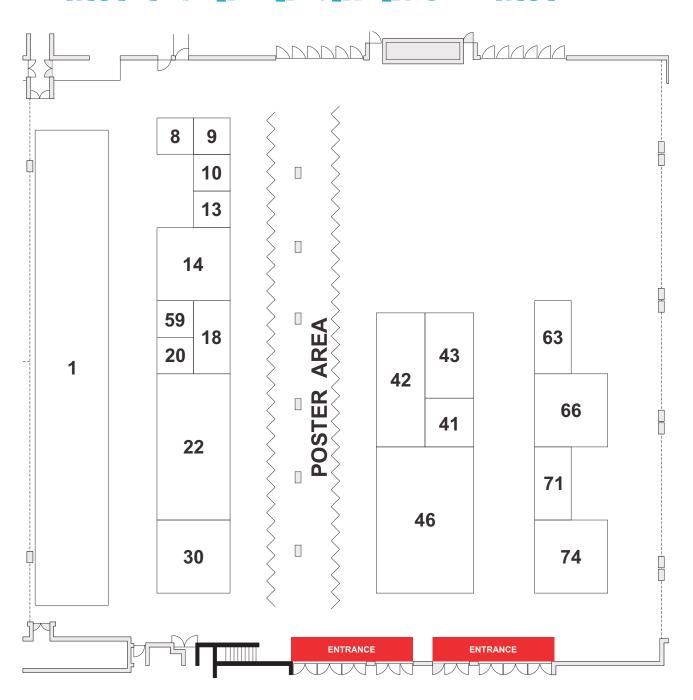
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LUNCH SYMPOSIA

Lunch Symposium attendance includes a packed lunch on 23rd and 24th October. The lunch box can be picked up from 12.30 to 14.30 at Baobab Café/ICC Coffee Shop on Level 3.

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Breakfast Symposium attendance includes a coffee station available on 25th October at the entrance of the meeting room.

REMITTANCE

On-site registrations may be paid only by credit card or cash. Cheques will not be accepted.

REGISTRATION DESK

The registration desk, located at the entrance of the congress centre, is open as follows:

Sunday, 22 October 2017	12.00-20.00
Monday, 23 October 2017	08.00-17.30
Tuesday, 24 October 2017	08.00-17.30
Wednesday, 25 October 2017	07.15-14.00

CURRENCY

Registration fees and charges for all events related to the IFCC-Worldlab Durban 2017 Congress as well as hotel cost must be paid in euros.

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The exhibits of diagnostics companies in the field make up a very important part of the congress. All major international clinical-biochemistry and laboratory-medicine companies are represented. The exhibition is held in the Durban International Convention Centre

Participants are encouraged to visit the large exhibition area, which will be open as follows:

Monday, 23 October 10.00-17.00 Tuesday, 24 October 10.00-17.00 Wednesday, 25 October 10.00-13.30

Access to the exhibition area is free of charge for participants registered for the congress. However, for security reasons, anyone wishing to visit the exhibition without registering for the congress, must show at the entrance the Visitor Badge. Visitors can get the visitor badge reporting to the Visitor Registration Desk at the main entrance.

The Visitor Badge does not provide admission to the lecture halls.

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A certificate of attendance will be issued to properly registered attendees, for the day(s) they actually take part in the congress. Certificates of attendance must be picked up at the registration desk just before departure.

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All participants will receive a name bagde when they check-in at the registration desk. The badge must be worn at all times because only registered participants will be admitted to the scientific sessions. It must also be worn at the social events organised as part of the congress.

CONGRESS KIT

The congress kit can be collected at the registration desk.

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AUDIOVISUAL CENTER

The audiovisual centre is located on Level 0 of the Congress Centre. Speakers are kindly requested to bring their presentation to the audiovisual centre on a USB drive at least two hours before the presentation is scheduled. Personal laptops cannot be connected to the system.

POSTERS

Posters are displayed in the exhibition area, Level 0, of the Congress Centre. Posters are arranged by topic and displayed on two different days:

Monday 23 October 10.00-17.00 Tuesday, 24 October 10.00-17.00

Posters are numbered and must be on display on the day that the Organising Secretariat assigned the authors, according to the following schedule only:

Seet-up 09.30-10.00 Removal 17.30-18.00

Posters differ by topic every day and the Organising Secretariat declines ony responsability for posters left on display afterwards.

In order to encourage discussions about posters, the poster Presenter must beat the assigned poster panel from 13.00 to 14.00

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LANGUAGE

The official language of the Congress will be English. Simultaneous translation will not be provided.

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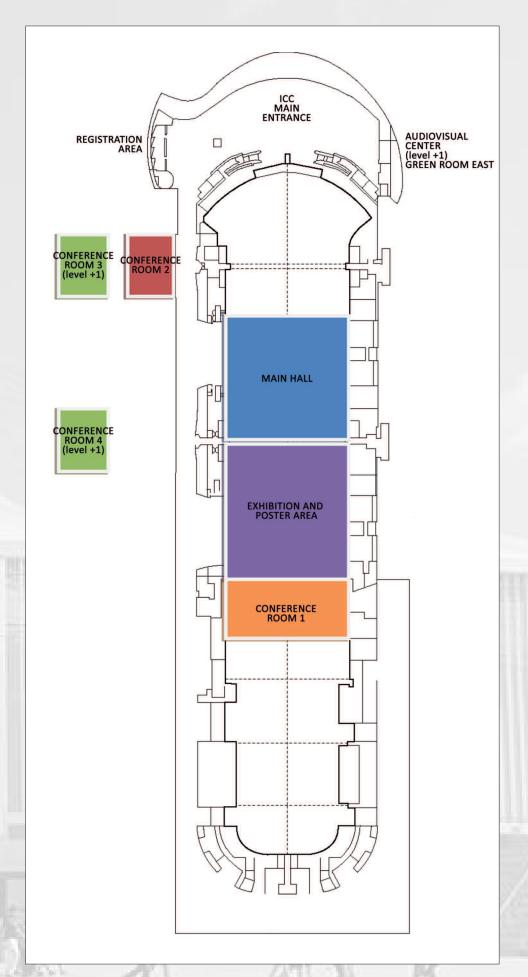


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