International Congress on Quality in Laboratory Medicine

Themes: The Path to Perfect Quality & New Frontiers in Health and Laboratory Technology
Labquality Days is one of the largest international congresses in 2018 focused on quality and laboratory medicine. The congress is held at Messukeskus Helsinki, Expo and Convention Centre. The 2018 themes are The Path to Perfect Quality and New Frontiers in Health and Laboratory Technology. Come and enjoy the inspiring scientific atmosphere and feel the pleasant cool winter days in Helsinki. More information at www.labqualitydays.com.

Under the auspices of
**Plenary Lectures**

**Plenary Lecture on Thursday**
**IBM Watson – Shaping the Future of Healthcare?**
Henrik Gudbergsen, PhD, Chief Medical Officer
IBM Nordic, Denmark

An innovative digital transformation is ongoing in healthcare. Henrik Gudbergsen will talk about how IBM Watson software systems are already today utilized in clinical management decisions. What possibilities will it bring in the future?

**Plenary Lecture on Friday**
**Diagnostic Pathways in Theory and Practice**
Georg Hoffmann, Prof. Dr med.
University of Munich, Germany

Professor Georg Hoffmann gives the audience an insight into the Diagnostic Pathways concept. It is one of the key elements to a successful crosstalk between laboratory professionals and clinicians.

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Scientific Programme

Performance Specifications with Special Emphasis on Biological Variation Data
Sverre Sandberg, Director
Noklus, Norway

Reference Measurement Procedures – Emphasis on Performance Specifications and Operating Laboratories
Linda Thienpont, Prof. Emerita
Ghent University, Belgium

Standardisation and Harmonisation in Laboratory Medicine: a Matter of Patient Safety
Mauro Pantegini, Prof. MD
University of Milano, Italy

Traceability and the New EU IVD Regulation
Jonathan Middle, PhD, ALCM
Birmingham, the United Kingdom

Analytical Quality Specifications of Inter-laboratory Comparisons
Carmen Perich, Quality Director
Vall d’Hebron Hospital Laboratories, SCEQA, Spain

HbA1c Standardisation and Clinical Outcomes
Eric Kilpatrick, Prof.
Sidra Medical and Research Center, Qatar

Challenge of Improved Outcomes and Shared Responsibilities in Diabetes Care
Timo Kouri, MD, PhD, Adjunct prof., Senior Physician
HUSLAB, Finland
Jorma Lahtela, MD, PhD, Adjunct prof., Senior Physician
Tampere University Hospital, Finland

FreeStyle Libre – Enriched Opportunities in Diabetes Management
Alexander Seibold, Regional Medical Director
Abbott Diabetes Care, Germany

An extensive exhibition with 60 diagnostic companies in connection with the congress.
New Perspectives on Pharmacogenetics
Ron van Schaik, Prof. Dr
Erasmus MC Rotterdam, the Netherlands

New Trends in Alzheimer Disease Management
Maryline Simon, PhD, eMBA-HSG, Clinical Science Leader
Roche Diagnostics, Switzerland

ePoster Exhibition
Organizer

Labquality is an international service organisation dedicated to improving patient safety. Company’s main products include external quality assessment (EQA) services and quality controls for internal quality assurance (IQA). Labquality offers high quality, educational EQA for all areas of laboratory medicine with 45 years of know-how and experience. Currently over 5000 laboratories around the world participate in Labquality’s EQA schemes.

Congress information

Date
8th–9th February, 2018

Venue
Messukeskus Helsinki,
Messuaukio 1, Helsinki, Finland

Participation fee
Early bird (until 31st December, 2017)
520 € + VAT 24%, registration at
www.labqualitydays.com

Accommodation
Holiday Inn Helsinki – Messukeskus
Special offer for Labquality Days participants

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