

International Congress on Quality in Laboratory Medicine

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The theme for 2022 congress is **50 Years of Excellence in EQA** with sub-themes of Past and Future of EQA and QC & Regulation and Quality Systems in Laboratory Medicine.

Scientific Program

PAST AND FUTURE OF EQA AND QC

Chairpersons Päivi Laitinen & Piet Meijer

History of Quality Control

James O. Westgard President of Westgard QC,
Westgard Quality Control, USA

Improving EQA Through International Cooperation

Sverre Sandberg Director, Noklus, Norway

Do We Really Measure the Quality of the Laboratory?

Mario Plebani Professor, University of Padova, Italy

The Future of EQA: Embracing Pathological Diversity of Protein Biomarkers?

Christa Cobbaert Professor, Leiden University Medical Centre,
The Netherlands

Future Visions of EQA and Quality Control - Integrate IQC and EQA?

Tony Badrick Chief Executive Officer, RCPAQAP, Australia

PARALLEL SESSION 1: QUALITY CONTROL AND EQA IN DIFFERENT DISCIPLINES

Chairperson Heidi Berghäll

EQA of Point of Care – Challenges and Opportunities

Annette Thomas Consultant Clinical Biochemist,
Cardiff and Vale University Health Board, UK

Quality Control of Qualitative Tests: Trends and Developments

Paulo Pereira Senior Researcher, Portuguese Institute of Blood
and Transplantation, Portugal

EQA in Developing Countries

Sofia Viegas Researcher, Instituto Nacional de Saúde (INS) in Maputo,
Mozambique

Experiences in Preanalytical EQA

Jonna Pelanti Head of Product Development, Labquality, Finland

PARALLEL SESSION 2: REGULATION AND QUALITY SYSTEMS IN LABORATORY MEDICINE

Chairperson Dalius Vitkus

The Regulator's Dilemma: Are Laboratory Rules Too Loose, Too Tight, or Just Right?

Sten Westgard Director, Westgard Quality Control, USA

IVDR 2017/746: Overview of Legislation, Governance and Implications for Lab Professionals

Christa Cobbaert Professor, Leiden University Medical Centre,
The Netherlands

Eurotransplant QC System Throughout Europe

Yvonne Zoet EPT Scheme manager, Eurotransplant Reference
Laboratory, The Netherlands

What Does the IVD Regulation 2017/746 Mean for in-house Methods in Practice?

Anja Kontio Manager of Regulatory Affairs, Labquality, Finland

IS PERFECT THE WORST ENEMY OF GOOD?

Chairperson Gudjon Elvar Theodorsson

EQA Visions / Are We Measuring Too Few QC Samples – or Too Many?

Finlay MacKenzie Director of Birmingham Quality, UKNEQAS, UK

Pros and Cons Regarding Accreditation of Medical Laboratories

Ivan Branslund Professor, University of Southern Denmark and
Vejlle Hospital, Denmark

Florent Vanstapel MD PhD EuSpecLabMed, EFLM, Belgium

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