

Program-at-a-Glance

Tuesday, March 11th, 2014

- 1600 - 1700 ASCLS Region X Council Meeting
1800 - 2000 Cocktail Reception/Meet-and-Greet

Wednesday, March 12th, 2014

1000-1400 Vendor Exhibit Hours

- 0800 - 0855 (1) Opening Keynote: **Courageous Interventions to Reduce the Use of Unnecessary Laboratory Tests Including Expensive Sendout Tests** **Sponsored by Bio-Rad Laboratories
Mike Astion, MD, PhD, Seattle Children's Hospital
- 0900 - 0955 (2) Session A: **Utility of 16s rRNA Sequencing in the Clinical Laboratory Setting**
Stacy White PhD, Molecular Methods & Research Supervisor, AZDOH
- (3) Session B: **Being Fixated on Permanent Stool Stains: Part 1**
Gerald Harmon, MT(ASCP), Microbiology/Clinical Laboratory Manager, Quest Diagnostics
- 1000 - 1055 (4) Session A: **Understanding the Good and the Bad Trends in Autoantibody Testing**
**Sponsored by Bio-Rad Laboratories
Mike Astion, MD, PhD, Seattle Children's Hospital
- (5) Session B: **Being Fixated on Permanent Stool Stains: Part 1**
Gerald Harmon, MT(ASCP), Microbiology/Clinical Laboratory Manager, Quest Diagnostics

Lunch Break (Hot Lunch)

- 1330 - 1425 (6) Session A: **Gluten Maximus or Minimus? How to Navigate the Sea of Celiac Disease Laboratory Tests** **Sponsored by Bio-Rad Laboratories
Tom Alexander, Ph.D., D(ABMLI), Summa Health System
- (7) Session B: **Transfusion Safety and Blood Management Specialists: New Roles for a New Medical Paradigm**
Mary Townsend, MD, Senior Medical Officer, Blood Systems Inc.
- 1430 - 1525 (8) Session A: **Microbiome: From Identification to Characterization**
Ivorlyne Greene, PhD, QIAGEN Inc.
- (9) Session B: **Pre-Transfusion Testing: The Evolution From Manual to Automated Techniques** **Sponsored by Bio-Rad Laboratories
Nancy Cornwell, M.Ed, MLS(ASCP)SBB,
- 1530 - 1625 (10) Session A: **Hepatitis A, B, Cs and delta, E, Gs. What Test When?**
**Sponsored by Bio-Rad Laboratories
Tom Alexander, Ph.D., D(ABMLI), Summa Health System
- (11) Session B: **Blood Group Systems: Update!**
Dolores Figueroa, MT(ASCP)SBB, IRL System Specialist, Blood Systems, Inc.

1700 - 1800 ASCLS AZ State Meeting

Thursday, March 13th, 2014

1000-1400 Vendor Exhibit Hours

- 0800 - 0855 (12) Session A: **Quality in Blood Component Manufacturing**
Jennifer Ford, MT(ASCP)SBB, Manufacturing Process Specialist, Blood Systems Inc.
- (13) Session B: **Embracing the Six-Part Differential** **Sponsored by Sysmex
Holly McDaniel, MD, Laboratory Medical Director, Banner Estrella Medical Center
- 0900 - 0955 (14) Session A: **Resetting the Standards in Kidney Function Testing: Cystatin C**
Andrea Rose, PhD, MBA, Senior Clinical Support Consultant, Roche Diagnostics
- (15) Session B: **Laboratory Evaluation of Thrombophilia**
J. Michael Taylor, MS, Esoterix/Labcorp
- 1000 - 1055 (16) Session A: **Improving Outcomes Using Nutrition**
Farogh Nazari, Senior Manager, Global Continuing Education, Siemens Healthcare
- (17) Session B: **CLL: Disease Course, Treatment, Diagnosis, and Biomarkers**
Amy E. Hanlon Newell, PhD, Scientific Affairs Manager, R&D, Abbott Molecular
- Lunch Break (Hot Lunch)**
- 1330 - 1425 (18) Session A: **LEAN in the Clinical Laboratories**
Gerald Harmon, MT(ASCP), Microbiology/Clinical Laboratory Manager, Quest Diagnostics
- (19) Session B: **Autoverification: Don't "Rule" it Out**
Elinore Craig, BSMT, Product Manager, IT Integration, Sysmex
- 1430 - 1525 (20) Session A: **Improving Outcomes Beyond Turn-Around-Time**
Farogh Nazari, Senior Manager, Global Continuing Education, Siemens Healthcare
- (21) Session B: **Pediatric Hemostasis: Considerations for Evaluating Kids in the Coagulation Laboratory**
J. Michael Taylor, MS, Esoterix/Labcorp
- 1530 - 1625 (22) Session A: **Biobank Development and QA**
Arizona Biomedical Research Commission: Svetlana Mihaylova-Todorova, PhD, MsCRM, CCRC, MIHS; David Carpentieri, MD, Phoenix Children's Hospital; Julie Robbins, BSN, CCRC, Batelle
- (23) Session B: **How to Treat PNH: A Progressive, Life-Threatening Disease**
Michael Morrison, Diagnostic Laboratory Specialist, Alexion Pharmaceuticals

Friday, March 14th, 2014

- 0800 - 0855 (24) General Session: **Liquid Handling Best Practices: Ergonomics, Safety, and Performance**
Mickie Henshall, Vice President of Marketing, Biotix; Carolyn Phelan OTR/L, CHT, The Hand Center
- 0900 - 0955 (25) General Session: **Expanding Your Laboratory Through the Use of Mass Spectrometry**
Matthew Clabaugh, Market Development Manager, ABSciex
- 1000 - 1055 (26) General Session: **HLA and Transplant Diagnostic Testing**
Jerry Coquillard, CLS, CHS(ABHI), Transplant Diagnostics, OneLambda
- 1100 - 1155 (27) Closing Keynote: **New Frontiers in Laboratory Science: Immunosignatures**
Bart Legutki, PhD, Assistant Professor of Research, BioDesign Institute at Arizona State University

Lunch Break (Box Lunch)