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MONDAY JUNE 12

STOP PRESS

OPENING CEREMONY TUESDAY JUNE 13 @ MEGARON 18.15 LAMBRAKIS ROOM



When the weather doesn't help "Opening" Ceremony indoors

A not so nice a surprise was waiting for us last evening. The rain prevented us from having the absolute wonderful experience of attending the opening ceremony in Herodion theatre.

The opening ceremony will take place in Megaron (Lambrakis Room) on Tuesday evening after the scientific sessions (18.15).

We apologize for any inconvenience caused, but we wanted it so much to happen in the way we had dreamed of it, so it was really difficult to decide to cancel it.

Our Volunteers

This is a super group of young people, devoted to the Euromedlab delegates. They know everything the delegates need, they will be happy to help them and their reward will be the opportunity to be with them and to share the experience of the greatest European event of their profession.

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Today's Program Overview

09.00 - 10.00 PLENARY SESSION

New vaccines and immunotherapies for AIDS and cancer

10.30 - 12.30 EFLM SYMPOSIUM

Harmonisation in laboratory medicine

10.30 - 12.30 SYMPOSIA

Advances in cancer biomarker discovery

Laboratory diagnosis of pathological conditions in pregnancy

The role of laboratory in stroke diagnosis and monitoring of patients - stroke biomarkers

Biomarkers of inflammation and vascular damage

Challenges in the diagnosis and follow-up of multiple myeloma

Traceability in laboratory medicine: A matter of patient safety

12.30 - 14.30 DEBATE

Lessons from 30 years of cancer screening

14.30 - 16.30 IFCC SYMPOSIUM

Standardization in endocrinology

14.30 - 16.30 SYMPOSIA

New perspectives in clinical flow cytometry

14.30 - 18.00 MEET THE EXPERTS

Accreditation and laboratory management - Why and how to do it

Success in research-academic career: Lessons and opportunities

16.30 - 18.30 AUTHOR WORKSHOP

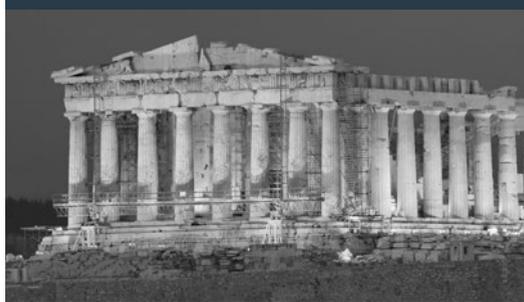
How to write a great research paper, and get it accepted by a good journal

14.30 - 18.00 EDUCATIONAL WORKSHOPS

Weather Forecast



Cultural information of the day



THE ACROPOLIS OF ATHENS

The cradle of western civilization, the birthplace of Democracy, Philosophy, Freedom of Speech and the Theatre, the Acropolis of Athens, is an ancient citadel and the nucleus of the city-state. During the Golden Age of Athens (460-430 BC), between the Persian and the Peloponnesian wars, the city was the powerful seat of the Athenian League and the most important cultural center of the world. Pericles, a prominent statesman and the city's general, trusted the construction of the outstanding ensemble that is the Acropolis to the famous architects Ictinus and Kallikrates and the Athenian sculptor Pheidias. The most important buildings include the Parthenon (a Doric order rectangular white marble temple, dedicated to the city's matron deity Athena), the Erechtheion, the Temple of Athena Nike and the Propylaea designed by Mnesikles. Until 1833 that it was declared an archeological site, the monuments had been used either as a Christian church and a mosque or even as a harem and a gunpowder magazine. A big part of the Parthenon and other buildings were seriously damaged in 1687 during the Venetian siege. An integrated restoration plan focused on the preservation of authenticity, started in 1975 and continues today.

During your visit in the Museum of Acropolis, do not miss the opportunity to admire in the top-floor Parthenon Gallery, bathed in natural light, the five Caryatids: the impressive maiden columns that held up the Erechtheion, the remaining authentic pediment marbles, the metope and the 160m-long frieze where Pheidias depicted the procession of the Great Panathenaea, Athens' greatest festival and rival in popularity to the Olympic Games.

A Welcome Note

Welcome to "EUROMEDLAB 2017" - 22nd European Congress of Clinical Chemistry and Laboratory Medicine. Welcome in Athens!

Held every two years, the Congress is organized by the Greek Society of Clinical Chemistry- Clinical Biochemistry, the International Federation of Clinical Chemistry and the European Federation of Clinical Chemistry and Laboratory Medicine.

The Congress is addressed to the local and international community of biochemists, biologists, laboratory doctors, clinical chemists, chemists and pharmacists as well as employees in diagnostic and research centres with a relevant field of expertise.

It aims at broadening the cognitive field and deepening on cutting-edge matters, through a creative dialogue, reflection and exchanges on the latest developments and innovations in Laboratory Medicine.

Approximately 5,000 distinguished Greek and foreign scientists from all over the world have registered to "EUROMEDLAB 2017".

"We believe that hosting such an important Congress in Athens will contribute not only to the city's promotion, but also to the promotion and recognition of the academic and clinical work that is taking place in Greece", pointed out Dr. Alexander Haliasos, General Secretary of the Greek Society of Clinical Chemistry - Clinical Biochemistry (GSCC-CB), Doctor of Medicine, Clinical Chemist, EurClinChem and Chairman of "EUROMEDLAB 2017" 22nd European Congress of Clinical Chemistry and Laboratory Medicine.

The scientific program includes, inter alia, 33 symposia, six "meet the expert" sessions, an author's workshop, 35 educational workshops sponsored by IVD companies, the welcome address and four satellite meetings.

Two of the symposia are expected to attract the interest of the participants: "The role of laboratory in the management of ICU/critically ill patients", (on Wednesday morning, 10:30-12:30) chaired by George Baltopoulos, Professor Emeritus, Intensive Care and Pulmonology, NTUA and "The role of laboratory in stroke diagnosis and monitoring of patients", organized in cooperation with the Hellenic Stroke Society, on Monday morning at 10:30.

Another highlight in the Congress program involves the **debates** between world-class scientists. They are open to the general public and cover interesting subjects, such as:

- **Lessons from 30 years of cancer screening**

Today at 12.30-14.30

Dr. Ann McTiernan (USA) will provide evidence on the contribution of screening in life expectancy in certain types of cancer, and particularly in breast cancer, while Dr. Laura Esserman (USA) will counterpoint that the cost of diagnostic tests is greater than the anticipated benefit, while it also leads to side effects, such as overdiagnosis and excessive treatment.

- **The ethics of gene editing**

Tuesday 13/6 12.30-14.30

Dr. Nicholas Katsanis (Greece - USA) and Dr. Françoise Baylis (Canada) will cross their swords on how gene editing for plants, animals and humans can be carried out without upsetting social cohesion.

- **Direct to consumer testing (DCT) Ethical issues and confidentiality**

Wednesday 14/6 12.30-14.30

Dr. Rodger Secombe (Canada) will argue that free and anonymous access to diagnostic tests can contribute to overall better health, while Dr. Daniel Holmes (Canada) will focus on providing evidence that, under current conditions of use, the new technologies on which direct-to consumer testing is based may possibly lead to unreliable results and contribute to overdiagnosis and excessive treatment of particular conditions.

- **Antidoping testing. Should we allow doping if it is medically safe and accessible to all?**

Thursday 15/6 10.30-12.30

Dr. David Epstein (USA) will argue that antidoping testing should be intensified, while Dr. Geoffrey S. Baird (USA) will try to convince the audience that free access of all athletes to medically safe pharmaceutical substances that boost physical performance is the only way of solving the problem of doping

Debates

TODAY

Lessons from 30 years of cancer screening

Anne McTiernan / Karen Anderson

ROOM: LAMBRAKIS HALL

Starting at 12.30

Social Events

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14:30 - 15:30 Improving Healthcare Outcomes in the Emergency Setting

Educational Workshop (Mitropoulos Hall)
Chair: Mario Plebani (Italy)

15:45 - 16:45 Approaches to Achieve Measurably Better Healthcare Performance

Educational Workshop (Hall A)
Chair: Cas Weykamp (Netherlands)

Meet the Experts in our Scientific & Medical Exchange Lounge

10:30 - 11:30 Advances in chronic liver disease
Claudio Galli MD, PhD

11:30 - 12:30 Vitamin B12: the hidden deficit
Gordon Avery, MSc

12:30 - 13:30 Open discussion: Join us for lunch and ask your questions!

13:30 - 17:30 Innovation designed for you – Meet our Alinity R&D leaders to discover more

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12 June 2017

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Advantages of Combining Hematology and Flow Cytometry for Better Patient Care

12 June: 17:00–18:00 (Mitropoulos Hall)

Chair: Professor Helen A. Papadaki (Greece)
Professor of Haematology, University of Crete School of Medicine
Head of the Department of Haematology, University Hospital of Heraklion

Automation Technology to Implement Process Improvements That Help Reduce the Cost of Daily Laboratory Routines

12 June: 17:00–18:00 (Skalkotas Hall)

Chair: Carola Schmidt (Germany)
Global Senior Strategic Marketing Manager Automation, Beckman Coulter

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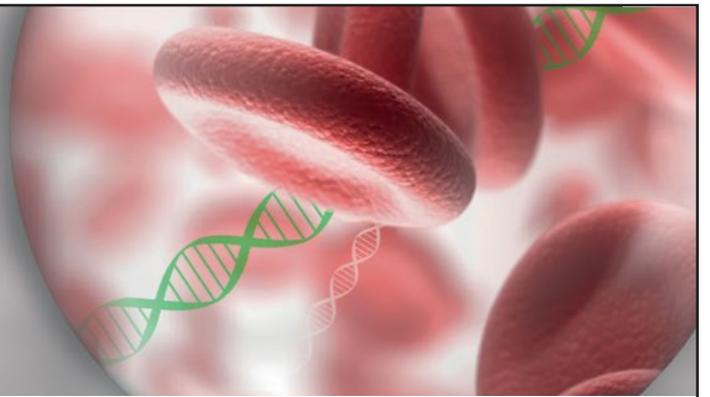
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EduW3 | Monday, 12th June 2017 | 15:45 - 16:45

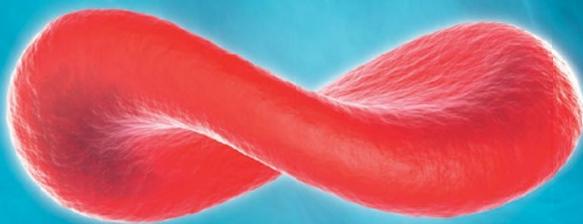
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Speaker: Dr Svilen Tzonev, Director of Business Development at the Digital Biology Center, Bio-Rad Laboratories

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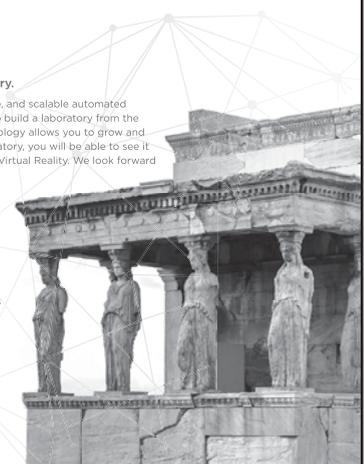
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Hall A
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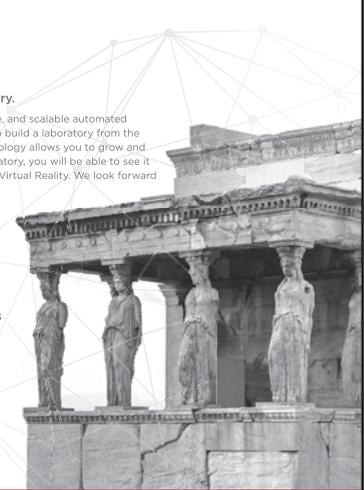
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