



EQALM Symposium 2022

Athens, Greece

October 12th -14th

Program

Wednesday, 12 October

9.00 – 12.00 *Registration*

12.00 - 13.00 *Lunch*

Time	Lecture	Speaker
13.00 - 13.05	Opening Symposium	Christoph Buchta (EQALM Chair)
13.05 - 13.35	EQA for rare diseases	Ursula Unterberger (Austria)
13.35 - 14.00	Update on the In Vitro Diagnostic Medical Devices Regulation	Christa Cobbaert (Netherlands)

Time	Working Group / TFG	Working group Chair
14.15 - 15.30	Haemostasis	Ann Helen Kristoffersen (Norway)
	Immunohaematology	Christoph Buchta (Austria)
	Virtual Microscopy	Istvan Juhos (Hungary)
15.45 - 17.00	Haematology	Barbara Delasalle (United Kingdom)
	Performance Specifications	Dalius Vitkus (Lithuania)
17.15 - 18.30	Frequency	Wim Coucke (Belgium)
	TFG: ISO17043	Stephanie Albarede (France)



Thursday, 13 October

Time	Lecture	Speaker
8.30 - 9.00	Update on ISO17043	Olivier Pierson (BIPEA, France)
9.00 - 9.25	An example of providing EQA reports that become part of the participants quality management system	Tony Badrick (Australia)
9.25 - 9.50	Extended use of EQA-results	Mathias Karlsson (Sweden)
9.50 - 10.15	Experiences in EQA for phlebotomy and urine sampling	Jonna Pelanti (Finland)
<i>10.15 - 10.45</i>	<i>Break</i>	
10.45 - 11.00	Abstract 1	TBA
11.00 - 11.15	Abstract 2	TBA
11.15 - 11.30	Abstract 3	TBA
11.30 - 11.45	Abstract 4	TBA
11.45 - 12.00	EQA in Greece	Alexander Haliassos (Greece)
<i>12.00 - 13.00</i>	<i>Lunch</i>	
13.00 - 13.30	Expanding the availability, coverage and uptake of EQA programmes in Africa	Beatrice Puije (ASLM)
13.30 - 13.50	EQALM SARS-CoV-2 antibody study	Lukas Weseslindtner (Austria)
13.50 - 14.05	Interest in low antibody control samples in viral serology - Methods of production/validation of samples	Marcel Miedougé (France)
14.05 - 14.20	WG Virtual microscopy: EQALM VM Sharing Platform and Guidelines	Istvan Juhos (Hungary)
14.20 - 14.35	WG Haemostasis: HIL program coagulation	Ann Helen Kristoffersen (Norway)
<i>14.35 - 15.30</i>	<i>Break + Poster viewing</i>	
15.30 - 16.30	General Assembly	
	Adam Uldall Lecture:	
16.30 - 17.30	EQA, is there a benefit for the patient?!	Piet Meijer (Netherlands)



Friday, 14 October

Time	Lecture	Speaker
8.30 - 9.00	Category 5 or 6 EQA programs	Tony Badrick (Australia)
9.00 - 9.30	Why EQA providers should use commutable control material and how to perform commutability studies	Sverre Sandberg (Norway)
9.30 - 10.00	What to do when reference measurement procedures show different results	Anja Kessler (Germany)
10.00 - 10.15	EQALM Central Database	Wim Coucke (Belgium)
<i>10.15 - 10.45</i>	<i>Break</i>	
10.45 - 11.00	Harmonising reference intervals in Haematology	Barbara Delasalle (United Kingdom)
11.00 - 11.15	Correlation between EQA data as a key to determine optimum EQA frequency	Wim Coucke (Belgium)
11.15 - 11.45	Analytical performance specifications - what does a limit of total error mean and when can it be used	Mohamed Rida Soumali (Belgium)
11.45 - 12.15	EQA for POCT glucose – consequences for patient diagnostics	Anne Stavelin (Norway)