OTTAWA & TORONTO (November 8, 2019) — Accreditation Canada (AC) and the Institute for Quality Management in Healthcare (IQMH) today announced an agreement to join forces bringing the longest standing healthcare accreditation body in Canada and Canada’s largest provider of medical laboratory accreditation and proficiency testing together. IQMH is now a controlled affiliate of AC to advance a common goal of improving the quality of healthcare in Canada and around the world.

By combining forces, these two organizations solidify their position as leaders in improving health outcomes for patients and citizens around the world. AC and IQMH will continue to provide rigorous, evidence based, third-party evaluations, spanning a full spectrum of health and social services aligned with international leading practices and world class standards.

Together, AC and IQMH are committed to delivering joint solutions that encompass health services, social services and education services with the goal of empowering others to save and improve lives. AC and IQMH will deliver integrated accreditation services, proficiency testing, standards, analytics and education programs to support both current and future patients and providers along their continuous health quality improvement journeys.

“By combining our experience and expertise, we are uniquely positioned to provide an integrated solution to improve the quality of healthcare by providing value-adding third-party accreditation, proficiency

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testing, standards development and education for organizations in Canada and internationally”, said Jeff Sumner, President, IQMH.

“Accreditation Canada and IQMH have unparalleled depth and breadth of experience advancing the quality and safety of healthcare and social services. Together, we are combining our strengths to expand our impact, bring new value to our clients, and deliver People Powered Health across the health ecosystem and around the world”, said Leslee Thompson, Chief Executive Officer, AC.

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About Accreditation Canada

Accreditation Canada is an independent, not-for-profit organization that accredits healthcare and social services organizations in Canada and around the world. Its comprehensive accreditation programs foster ongoing quality improvement through evidence-based standards and a rigorous external peer review. Accredited by the International Society for Quality in Health Care (ISQua), Accreditation Canada has been helping organizations improve health care quality and patient safety for 60 years. Discover more at www.accreditation.ca.

About Institute for Quality Management in Healthcare

The Institute for Quality Management in Healthcare is a not-for-profit corporation that offers accreditation and proficiency testing of diagnostic services, and education services through its three independent Centres. Its services have achieved world-wide recognition — the Centre for Proficiency Testing is accredited by the American Association for Laboratory Accreditation; and the Centre for Accreditation is a signatory of the Mutual Recognition Arrangement with the International Laboratory Accreditation Cooperation — thereby demonstrating its ability to meet rigorous international standards for quality and competence. IQMH has been elevating confidence in the healthcare system for over 40 years. Learn more at www.iqmh.org.
Important Changes to IQMH Chemistry and Endocrinology Proficiency Testing Surveys in 2020

The IQMH Centre for Proficiency Testing released its Proficiency Testing (PT) programs for 2020 in August 2019. One of the most significant changes in 2020 is the redesign of the Chemistry and Endocrinology programs. General details regarding these changes can be found here: https://iqmh.org/Resources/News/Post/7782/IQMH-releases-its-2020-Proficiency-Testing-Catalogue.

The purpose of this bulletin is to focus on the process changes related to the Chemistry and Endocrinology survey materials and shipment that we anticipate will have an impact on our participants.

Changes to the Chemistry and Endocrinology program surveys

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<td>CHEM, DRUG, ENZY and LIPS are now combined in one survey. Lyophilized testing material will be shipped once per year in January.</td>
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<tr>
<td>CHEM-UR</td>
<td>Lyophilized testing material will be shipped once per year in January. This survey does not include urine amylase.</td>
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<td>ENDO-A</td>
<td>No change in the survey material. Testing material will be shipped once per year in January.</td>
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<td>ENDO-B</td>
<td>Testing material will be shipped once per year in January. PTH is now a standalone survey with separate material and separate analysis worksheet.</td>
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<td>ENDO-PTH</td>
<td>PTH is now a standalone survey with separate material and separate analysis worksheet.</td>
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<tr>
<td>DRUG</td>
<td>Testing for ethanol and tobramycin only.</td>
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<td>DRUG-UR</td>
<td>Survey name change, formerly known as DRUG-DA.</td>
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<tr>
<td>CHEM-UCG</td>
<td>Urine pregnancy testing is a new PT survey.</td>
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At A Glance

New Tests

More analytes added to the testing menu

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<td>CHEM (Routine)</td>
<td>Cholinesterase, fructosamine</td>
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<td>CHEM (Enzymes)</td>
<td>CK-MB</td>
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<tr>
<td>CHEM-UR</td>
<td>Pilot: cortisol, free deoxypyridinoline, free metanephrine, free normetanephrine, free 3-methoxytyramine, N-Telopeptides.</td>
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<tr>
<td>CHEM-UCG</td>
<td>Urine pregnancy test (qualitative)</td>
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Note: Analytes produced only by calculation will not be assessed in 2020. This decision will be piloted by the Chemistry Committee to confirm the future direction of calculated tests.

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Lyophilized Material – New in Chemistry (CHEM) and Chemistry Urine (CHEM-UR) Surveys

Instrument or reagent specific mean is used for analysis when using lyophilized material. Proper reconstitution is essential to obtain accurate results. Calibrated volumetric pipettes, deionized water if diluent not provided and good pipetting technique are all necessary.

Shipping and Storage

New boxes will be used for shipping. The approximate measurements of the boxes used for the Chemistry program surveys are illustrated below.

Refer to the 2020 Proficiency Testing Schedule for information regarding the survey:

- **Shipment Date**: this is the date material is shipped to participants.
- **Testing Date**: this date refers to when the testing begins; analysis worksheets are available in QView.™
- **Due Date**: result reporting closes at midnight on this date. Analysis worksheets are due for submission in QView.™

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<th>Box A</th>
<th>CHEM-FIT box showing 1 mL vial</th>
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<td>A similar box is also used for the ENDO-PTH and CHEM-UR survey material. Approximate measurement of the inside boxes: L 6¼ in × H 2¼ in × W 4¼ in or L 16 cm × H 5.5 cm × W 11 cm</td>
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<th>Box B</th>
<th>Used for CHEM, ENDO-A, ENDO-B, and ENDO-PSA</th>
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<td>Approximate measurement of the inside boxes: L 7¾ in × H 2½ in × W 4½ in or L 18.5 cm × H 6 cm × W 11.5 cm</td>
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All PT survey box labels are the same colour. Please read the box labels for contents.

Vial labels are white or coloured backgrounds with black printing.

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<td>Green</td>
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<td>ENDO-A</td>
<td>Green</td>
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<td>CHEM-Diluent</td>
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## General Guide on Shipping and Storage

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<tr>
<td>CHEM-Routine</td>
<td>• Week of January 13, 2020 All lyophilized samples for the year will be shipped to clients in one box.</td>
<td>• Clients could receive seven (7) boxes shipped inside one larger box. You are encouraged to inform the receiving department to send the outer box with all contents to the laboratory.</td>
<td>Testing start dates are available from: <a href="https://iqmh.org/Services/Centre-For-Proficiency-Testing/Proficiency-Testing-Schedule">https://iqmh.org/Services/Centre-For-Proficiency-Testing/Proficiency-Testing-Schedule</a></td>
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<tr>
<td>CHEM-UR</td>
<td>• Inside the outer box, there will be popcorn packing material, package inserts and the individual survey PT boxes.</td>
<td>Boxes are to be stored as per the shipping insert and box label instructions.</td>
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<td>CHEM-FIT ENDO-A</td>
<td>• It may be necessary to distribute individual PT survey boxes to different departments within your facility.</td>
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### Stability

Lyophilized material is stable two years from time of production. Once the material has been reconstituted follow the survey-specific expiry dates. Refer to the Shipping Insert associated with your survey for details:

- Chemistry Serum (CHEM) and Urine (CHEM-UR): [https://qview.ca/qview/MainForm.aspx?dl=1144932](https://qview.ca/qview/MainForm.aspx?dl=1144932)
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- Endocrinology (ENDO): [https://qview.ca/qview/MainForm.aspx?dl=1144978](https://qview.ca/qview/MainForm.aspx?dl=1144978)

Samples must be reconstituted and tested according to the PT Testing Schedule.

CHEM and ENDO material shipped in January will be sent at ambient temperatures. Ice packs and temperature monitor strips will not be included.

Upon arrival material must be stored at 2°C–8°C.

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<td>CHEM</td>
<td>Reconstituted material: Most constituents are stable for five (5) days after reconstitution when stored at 2°C–8°C. CK, CKMB, ALP, phenytoin and carbamazepine should be analyzed within eight (8) hours. Troponin should be analyzed within one (1) hour of being reconstituted, otherwise the sample should be frozen. Analysis of the frozen sample is recommended within 24 hours.</td>
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<tr>
<td>CHEM-UR</td>
<td>Reconstituted material: Stable for five (5) days after reconstitution when stored at 2°C–8°C, except for the bone markers N-telopeptide and Free Deoxypyridinoline [FDP] which should be frozen if not assayed immediately.</td>
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<tr>
<td>CHEM-FIT</td>
<td>Analyze as soon as possible on the day of reconstitution. Once opened and reconstituted, provided that it is stored, refrigerated and tightly capped, it is stable for five (5) days.</td>
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<td>ENDO-A</td>
<td>Reconstituted material: Stable for seven (7) days after reconstitution when stored at 2°C–8°C.</td>
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<td>ENDO-B</td>
<td>Reconstituted material: Stable for 48 hours when stored tightly capped at 2°C–8°C.</td>
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Questions?

If you have questions regarding these changes, please contact info@iqmh.org.
Call for IQMH Committee Applications 2020-2022

IQMH is seeking a volunteer to sit on its Proficiency Testing Scientific Committee, effective January 1, 2020. Membership on committees consists of a three-year term of office, renewable once. Committees meet an average of four times a year for half-day or full-day meetings.

IQMH considers the following criteria for membership:

- Membership will reflect the Canadian laboratory community, including hospital and community-based representation.
- Members shall be laboratory professionals of stature who have a broad knowledge of laboratory operations, quality assurance practices, quality management systems and their chosen laboratory medicine discipline.

Responsibilities of Proficiency Testing Scientific Committees include:

- Advising on the design and content of Proficiency Testing surveys.
- Reviewing Proficiency Testing survey results and evaluation of laboratory performance.
- Preparing educational committee comments for each Proficiency Testing survey, including a review of the medical and scientific literature, commentary on discordant results, and recommendations for improved practice.
- Reviewing standards of practice in laboratory medicine and recommending guidelines to the Accreditation program.

Expectations of committee members are that they are able to:

- Regularly attend committee meetings and important related activities.
- Make a serious commitment to participate actively in committee work.
- Volunteer for and willingly accept assignments and complete them thoroughly and on time.
- Stay informed about committee matters and prepare well for meetings and review and comment on minutes and reports.
- Build a collegial working relationship with other committee members that contribute to consensus.
- Actively participate in the committees’ annual evaluation and planning efforts.

We are seeking the following member at this time:

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<td>Chemistry</td>
<td>Clinical or Medical Biochemist (PhD/MD) (1)</td>
<td>Biochemistry</td>
<td>Hospital, Community or Public Health Laboratory</td>
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Interested parties should complete the application form(s) by clicking on “Apply” in the table above, and must also forward the résumé/curriculum vitae, by Monday, December 2, 2019 to applications@iqmh.org.

For more information, please email applications@iqmh.org.

A direct hyperlink to the application form can be found here:

- Chemistry Committee
  
https://qview.ca/qview/DataCollection/Public/HSurveys/PublicView.aspx?proc=Xyvsee6dQfw
Congratulations to our newest ISO 15189 Plus™-accredited facility

We are pleased to announce that Victoria Laboratories Limited located in San Fernando, Trinidad has achieved ISO 15189 Plus™ accreditation (selected disciplines). In choosing this option, the facility sends a clear signal of commitment to quality for staff, patients, and other healthcare providers.

Victoria Laboratories has been providing services to the residents of San Fernando, the second most populated city of Trinidad, since 1963. With their vision of delivering the highest quality of clinical testing and customer care, Victoria Laboratories currently provides services to over 100,000 clients annually.

This facility joins the growing number of services that recognize the value of elevating expectations for quality to include international stature. Click here to see the current list of accredited facilities.

Congratulations!

Victoria Laboratories Limited staff with their IQMH ISO 15189 Plus™ banner
IQMH delivers extraordinary IQMH Fall Forum on Innovations in Cancer Diagnostics

On November 7–8, 2019, IQMH hosted a forum centred on innovations in cancer diagnostics. It is our belief that live events such as this are a valuable contribution to the sharing of knowledge among laboratory professionals.

A gathering of diagnostic medicine leaders and professionals who want to elevate themselves, learn, share, network and get excited about diagnostic medicine, an IQMH Forum is never a typical conference. Why? Each event is underpinned with a specific theme and intention to ensure the programme will drive meaningful change and infuse a new outlook on quality. Our aim is to energetically inspire the diagnostic medicine community to overcome barriers and embrace the future.

These events are an opportunity to:

- Make in-person connections with others and learn in a new environment
- Invest in your professional and personal growth
- Listen to and interact with experts carefully selected to speak on the chosen theme
- Expand your knowledge in your discipline and beyond
- Dig deeper into a topic of interest
- Enjoy diverse presentations at a variety of levels
- Spark an interest in new topics
- Earn professional development hours
- Be inspired and feel genuinely empowered to effect change
- Uncover practical solutions to problems
- Glimpse and understand the patient viewpoint
- Learn about leading-edge innovation
- Meet like-minded peers, build your professional network and exchange information
- Elevate your confidence
- Benefit from product highlights from vendors and interaction with their representatives
- Explore the possibilities of emerging techniques and equipment
- Refresh your excitement about diagnostic medicine
- Return to your workplace with new ideas and a refreshed attitude

With this most recent event, about 85 delegates spent two days in a beautiful ballroom in Toronto’s DoubleTree by Hilton hotel where all the opportunities listed above were delivered. The event was driven by an intention to provide a wide variety of speakers who each illuminated a different innovation in cancer diagnostics. Led by
Master of Ceremonies, Bill Roberts, we looked at cancer diagnostics from 12 distinct angles:

1. Cancer-associated antibody syndromes: optic nerve (head) to peripheral neuropathy (toe) review – Dr. Ron Booth
2. Acting on Cancer Pathology Information: Bring Synoptic Reporting Data to Life – Dr. Aaron Pollett
3. Utilization of Screening Tubes in Flow Cytometry Diagnostic Settings – Amr Rajab
4. The Emerging Role of Digital Diagnostics in Precision Medicine: Harnessing Data to Transform Patient Care – Dr. Denise Heaney
5. Advances in the Diagnosis of Myeloid Neoplasms – Dr. David Good

6. Innovations in Pediatric Oncology: Little patients, big impact and challenges – Dr. Meredith Irwin
7. Waste Not, Want No. Extracting Big Data From Surprising Places – Dr. Scott Boerner and Sylvie Grenier
8. Digital pathology, genomics and cell free DNA testing: new ways of helping patients and studying cancer – Dr. David Huntsman
9. A Multiple Myeloma Mystery – Karim Bhaloo
10. The Human Microbiome and Cancer Diagnosis, Treatment and Prevention...Inconceivable, or Not? – Malcolm Kendall

Asmita Gillani, Executive Director, Accreditation Canada; Janice Nolan, Executive Director, Programs, IQMH; Leslee Thompson, CEO, Accreditation Canada; and Bill Roberts, Master of Ceremonies enjoying the event.

Dr. Aaron Pollett illuminates how we can bring synoptic data to life.

A slide from Dr. Irwin’s presentation on pediatric cancer innovation.
11. CRISPR Technologies: The Path to New Cancer Treatments and Precision Diagnosis – Dr. Jennifer Mitchell
12. Re-Thinking Cervical Screening in Ontario – Dr. Joan Murphy

The event was punctuated with:
- An introduction by Jeff Sumner, President of IQMH
- An exciting visit by Leslee Thompson, CEO of Accreditation Canada
- The final punctuation was an inspiring patient panel featuring Ashley Farrelly from Cancer Care Ontario, terminal cancer patient and loving gentleman Randall Conrod, Process Analyst Debbie Kerr, Litigation Analyst Melissa Gomes and Stand-up Comic Hannah Senitt.

Summary
IQMH offers gratitude to the 21 talented speakers who took the time to prepare and present at this unique event, to those who attended, to our sponsors and to our staff who worked energetically to create this event. Together, we created something great.

The following sponsors were vital contributors to this event:
Gold Sponsor: Roche Diagnostics. (Product highlight: NAVIFY Tumor Board presented by Dan Tiber.)
Silver Sponsor: BD Canada (Product highlight: The impact of standardized flow assay on leukemia and lymphoma diagnostics presented by Lori Apoll and Sylvain Gimmig.)
Exhibit Floor Sponsors: Telcor, Paradigm3, Bio-Rad Laboratories, Hologic Canada and Leica Biosystems

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Roche

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BD

Leslee Thompson, CEO, Accreditation Canada, announces the partnership of Accreditation Canada/HSO and IQMH.

Delegates Judy Sherman-Jones and Allen Howe

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In 2020, the IQMH Centre for Education will host another event with an exciting new theme and intention; details will be available soon.
Order Deadline for Proficiency Testing surveys is fast approaching. Act now!

Order deadline December 15, 2019

The IQMH Centre for Proficiency Testing is pleased to announce the availability of its [Proficiency Testing Programs in the 2020 Catalogue](https://iqmh.org/Services/Centre-For-Proficiency-Testing/PT-Catalogue).

These Proficiency Testing Programs are accredited by The American Association for Laboratory Accreditation (A2LA) in accordance with the recognized International Standard ISO/IEC 17043:2010 Conformity assessment — General requirements for proficiency testing ([Certificate Number: 3059.01](https://iqmh.org/)).

NEW IN 2020

- Serum Chemistry (CHEM) Survey — New
- Urine Chemistry (CHEM-UR) Survey — New
- Chemistry Urine Human Chorionic Gonadotropin (hCG) Qualitative (CHEM-UCG) Survey — New
- Drug Monitoring — Ethanol and Tobramycin (DRUG) — New
- Endocrinology Parathyroid Hormone (ENDO-PTH) Survey — New
- Immunology Web-based (IMGY-WB) Survey — New
- Infectious Mononucleosis (VIRO-IM) Survey — New

**SURVEY PARTICIPATION**

To ensure product availability, orders for 2020 proficiency testing programs should be placed no later than **December 15, 2019**, by using the online “request a quote” application [https://iqmh.org/apps/ptquoterequest](https://iqmh.org/apps/ptquoterequest) or send an email to info@iqmh.org. After this date, due to the number of samples available, surveys are offered on a first-come, first-served basis.

**ORDER NOW**

Find the complete list of testing menus in the 2020 Proficiency Testing Catalogue: [https://iqmh.org/Services/Centre-For-Proficiency-Testing/PT-Catalogue](https://iqmh.org/Services/Centre-For-Proficiency-Testing/PT-Catalogue).

**ARE YOU ORDERING THE SERUM CHEMISTRY (CHEM) SURVEY?**

The process for ordering the chemistry survey has changed.

**At a Glance**

From the Quote Tool, choose from seven packages to suit your testing needs:

- 1 analyte
- 2–5 analytes
- 6–10 analytes

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11–20 analytes
21–30 analytes
31–40 analytes
40+ analytes

Receive and accept your quote.

Log in to QView” [https://qview.ca/], open the analyte selector form and choose the analytes you wish to report. The number of analytes you can choose corresponds to the analyte package you purchased.

IMPORTANT: ONTARIO LICENSED LABORATORIES

Participation in the IQMH Centre for Proficiency Testing programs is mandated by the Ontario Ministry of Health (MOH). Ontario licensed laboratories will be automatically enrolled in the appropriate surveys according to their laboratory license.
PT Take-Away: Enrolment in IQMH Transfusion Medicine Proficiency Testing program includes a value-added educational component

The IQMH Centre for Proficiency Testing has published a document for participants in the Transfusion Medicine proficiency testing program. Review – Crossmatching, developed by members of the IQMH Transfusion Medicine Scientific Committee, summarizes the current scientific literature regarding crossmatching. The document will be reviewed and updated periodically for continued relevance.

Preamble

One of the ultimate goals of the transfusion service (TS) is to provide the safest and most appropriate compatible red blood cells (RBC) for transfusion. Testing for compatibility commences with ABO/Rh determination and antibody screening. Investigation and identification of unexpected antibodies must be performed by the originating TS or may be forwarded to a reference laboratory. The final step in providing compatible RBCs is the crossmatch procedure.

Review – Crossmatching includes a discussion of the following topics:

• Crossmatching procedure
• Immediate Spin Crossmatch
• Indirect Antiglobulin Crossmatch
• Electronic Crossmatch
• Crossmatching in the presence of a positive Direct Antiglobulin Test

Summary

Each TS should have detailed instructions on how to perform compatibility testing and on which method of crossmatch to employ for various clinical situations. While the recipient’s blood testing record will be the main factor in determining the most appropriate crossmatch method to use, the testing volume and expertise of the laboratory should also be considered when selecting crossmatching methods.

IQMH Transfusion Medicine program participants can login to QView.ca with their username and password to download the document: Review – Crossmatching.

For more information on how your facility can become a participant in the IQMH Transfusion Medicine Proficiency Testing program:

Visit IQMH.org

https://iqmh.org/Services/Centre-For-Proficiency-Testing/PT-Catalogue#ptcatalogue
Canadian Society for Cytopathology (CSC) launches new website

The Canadian Society for Cytopathology (CSC), a section of the Canadian Association of Pathologists, has recently launched their new website www.cytopathology.ca.

This site will be updated regularly to include practical summaries of current cytopathology guidelines as well as a member-only section with access to educational materials varying from “case of the month” to “online webinars” to “system-based educational modules.” This material will constitute an important educational tool for CSC members who are trainees, pathologists and cytotechnologists to obtain a CSC certificate of participation after completing the modules. These activities will be officially recognized and accredited by the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada and will therefore serve as practical and very affordable continuing medical education activities available to all CSC members.

Quality Quote

“Coming together is a beginning; keeping together is progress; working together is success.”

~ Henry Ford
Other Industry Events

2019 CSCC Travelling Lectureship and Clinical Mass Spectrometry Mini Symposium

Dr. Andrew Hoofnagle, MD, PhD
Head, Division of Clinical Chemistry, University of Washington
Deputy Director, Northwest Lipid Metabolism and Diabetes Research Laboratory, University of Washington
Professor, Department of Laboratory Medicine, University of Washington

9:00 - 10:00 AM
Clinical Proteomics: What Every Sample Wants

Clinical Mass Spectrometry Mini Symposium:

10:30 – 11:00 AM: Role of Clinical Proteomics in Renal Pathology
Dr. Rohan John, University Health Network and University of Toronto

11:00 – 11:30 AM: Dissecting Neurobiology and Disease Using Tissue Proteomics
Dr. Phedias Diamandis, University Health Network and University of Toronto

11:30 – 12:00 PM: Clinical Toxicology Investigations of New Psychoactive Substances Using High Resolution Mass Spectrometry
Dr. Cristiana Stefan, Centre for Addiction and Mental Health and University of Toronto

Date & Location:
Thursday December 5, 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM
60 Murray St. – 3rd Floor Room 3L 201-203
Mount Sinai Hospital, Toronto, ON

Can’t make it in person?
Join us via OTN @
http://webcast.otn.ca/mywebcast?id=148581884

Generously sponsored by Bio-Rad Laboratories, CSCC and OSCC

For more information, please contact Dr. Vathany Kulasingam (vathany.kulasingam@uhn.ca)

This event is an Accredited Group Learning Activity for 2.5 hours as defined by the CSCC/CACB Professional Development Program.

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Other Industry Events

2019-2020 CSCC Education Roundtables

Canadian Society of Clinical Chemists

All CSCC Education Roundtables will be held on Thursday and will be one (1) hour in length.

Visit the CSCC website for more information.


Red Blood Cell and White Blood Cell Morphology Wall Charts

Blood cell morphologic identification is a critical component of hematology laboratory practice, and is an important diagnostic aid. Maintaining competency and achieving consistent reporting practices are ongoing challenges in this area. Our wall charts provide photomicrographs composed of normal and clinically significant blood cells and act as quick reference guides while at your microscope.

Find out more about these excellent quick reference guides:

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IQMH is a not-for-profit corporation without share capital, incorporated under the Ontario Corporations Act.

Our vision is to be the Standard for Confidence, within the international medical diagnostic testing community, through our three independent Centres of Excellence: Accreditation, Proficiency Testing, and Education.

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