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Programme

Beyond the Test:

Driving Value in

Laboratory

Medicine



Dolce La Hulpe
Chaussée de Bruxelles, 135
1310 La Hulpe, Belgium

19th November

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09:30 - 10:00 Welcome Coffee (Redwood Area)

10:00 - 12:00 **Part 1.** Morning session organized by the FAKB/AABC

12:00 - 13:00 Lunch Break (Redwood Area)

13:00 - 14:45 **Part 2.** Hot topics in laboratory hematology

Chairs: Prof. Stijn Lambrecht & Trainee

13:00 - 13:30 How to follow MRD in plasma cell malignancies?

Prof. Hans Jacobs, Radboud University Hospital, The Netherlands

13:30 - 14:00 How to monitor CAR-T cells? Speaker TBD

14:00 - 14:30 How to monitor unfractionated heparin in 2026: guidelines from ISTH

Prof Isabelle Gouin-Thibault, Department of Hemostasis, University Hospital Rennes, France

14:30 - 14:45 Oral Communication: Best abstract in Hematology

14:45 - 15:15 Coffee Break (Redwood Area)

15:15 - 16:15 **Part 3.** Driving value in laboratory hematology

Chairs: Prof. François Mullier & Trainee

15:15 - 15:35 Appropriate prescription of hematology analyses, From overtesting to right testing

Prof Delphine Borgel, Department of Hemostasis, University Paris-Saclay, France

15:35 - 15:55 Appropriate ordering in hemostasis: interventions to reduce overuse and underuse

Prof. François Mullier, Department of Laboratory Medicine and Hematology-hemostasis laboratory, UCL Namur, Namur, Belgium

15:55 - 16:15 Minimal retesting intervals in hematology: how to determine them

Prof. Dr. Ivana Lapić, University Hospital Zagreb, Croatia

16:15 - 18:00 **Part 4.** Key Note session

Chairs: Prof. Pieter Vermeersch & Dr. Michel Langlois

16:15 - 16:30 Presentation Best Paper Prize

16:30 - 17:30 European working group on data exchange

Dr. Ruben Smeets, Radboud University Hospital, The Netherlands

17:30 - 18:00 Data exchange at a national level, the Belgian perspective

Apr. Ann Verdonck, Department of Laboratory Medicine, University Hospitals Leuven, Belgium

18:00 - 19:00 Congress Cocktail Reception (Redwood Area)

19:30 Congress Dinner

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07:30 - 08:30 Running Tour

08:30 - 09:00 Welcome Coffee (Redwood Area)

09:00 - 10:30 **Part 1. Driving value in Clinical Chemistry**

Chairs: Prof. Damien Gruson & Dr. Matthias Cuykx

09:00 - 09:25 Indirect reference interval determination.
 Prof. Dr. Jakob Zierk, Uniklinikum, Kinder- und Jugendklinik, Erlangen, Germany

09:25 - 09:50 Guiding Drug dosing: the French perspective
 Prof. Vincent Haudfroirt, Université Catholique de Louvain, Belgium

09:50 - 10:15 Clinical decision tools
 Dr. William van Doorn, Maastricht Universiteit Medisch Centrum, Nederland

10:30 - 11:00 Coffee Break (Redwood Area)

11:00 - 12:10 **Part 2. Recognizing the Value of Laboratory Medicine Specialists**

Chairs: Prof. Etienne Cavalier & Mrs. Aurélie Candi

11:00 - 11:15 Presentation BeMedTech abstract in Clinical Chemistry

11:15 - 12:00 Reimbursement
 Dr. Mario Berth, Department of Laboratory Medicine, AZ Alma Eeklo; Voorzitter Commissie Klinische Biologie, Belgium

12:00 - 12:20 Discussion

12:20 - 14:00 Lunch Break (Redwood Area)

13:00 - 13:30 Poster Guided Tour (Slot 1)

13:30 - 14:00 Poster Guided Tour (Slot 2)

14:00 - 14:45 **Part 3. Sponsored Satellite symposium**

Chair: TBD

14:45 - 16:00 **Part 4. Hot topics in Clinical Chemistry**

Chairs: Dr. Nathalie De Vos & Prof. Caroline Le Goff

14:45 - 15:00 Oral Communication: Second Best abstract in Clinical Chemistry

15:00 - 15:25 Value of TDM automation in Laboratory Medicine, a game changer?
 Prof. Veronique Stove, Ghent University hospital, Ghent, Belgium

15:25 - 15:50 Transition to 6th-Generation cardiac Troponin T: Implications for the Clinical Laboratory
 Prof. Caroline Le Goff, CHU Liege, Belgium

15:50 Wrap up and end of the 2026 RBSLM Annual Meeting

16:00 End of the meeting