

# **7<sup>th</sup> National Congress on Laboratory Medicine**

## **3<sup>rd</sup> National Symposium on Immunopathology**

### **3<sup>rd</sup> National Congress of Clinical Laboratory Assistants**

**Dear Colleagues and Friends,**

It gives us great pleasure to announce that the 7<sup>th</sup> Romanian Society of Laboratory Medicine Congress 2008 will be held in Bucharest, Romania, from Monday 20<sup>th</sup> to Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2008. The Meeting will be held under the auspices IFCC, EFCC, BCLF, WASPaLM and under the patronage Romanian Academy of Medical Sciences. The best recent scientific developments and novel research will be presented to medical laboratory professionals who deal with clinical laboratory in the course of their professional activity. We are expecting more than 500 delegates from every corner of the world and hope that you will be among them.

The RSLM Congress is a unique forum where clinical chemists, laboratory physicians and scientists, and others who work in the field of clinical chemistry, laboratory medicine, and clinical laboratory science can meet their colleagues from all around the world, and exchange ideas and information. As always, the scientific program of the RSLM Congress will make every effort to highlight the most relevant issues in the diagnostic strategies, total management of quality and other advances in the field of clinical laboratory. It will be also related to the relevance of testing of clinical outcomes. Standardization offers many opportunities to improve the quality, it improves the ability of a laboratory to achieve the highest quality results at the lowest possible total cost. Romanian standardization effort have begun for the pre-analytical aspects of clinical laboratory. Investigators around the world will be presented in plenary lectures, symposia, oral & poster presentations, workshops, case presentations, roundtables, dynamic and interactive educational sessions.

The 3<sup>rd</sup> Symposium on Immunopathology will be held in conjunction with Congress (there will be a parallel Symposium on 20<sup>th</sup> October). It addressed teaching, particularly about clinical aspects. We believe that clinicians will find it equally useful.

The RSLM Congress will include the 3<sup>rd</sup> Congress of Clinical Laboratory Assistants (on 22<sup>nd</sup> October). It will promote and will share knowledge and skills (advanced technology, standard operating procedures, educational materials) in many areas of the clinical laboratory embracing biochemistry, molecular biology, hematology, immunology, microbiology with the aim of improving the performances of assistants.

We would like to extend our sincere thanks to the dedication and commitment of all those who work to bring you this attractive and comprehensive Scientific Programme. The Society will provide the opportunity for gain the Constantin Voiculescu Award.

Last but not least, let some relaxation and enjoyment also follow the busy days of science and research. We are sure that you will have plenty of opportunities to find it interesting by joining our scientific gathering, for which we are looking forward to welcoming you to Bucharest. The capital of Romania, Bucharest has an enormous history, with a wealth in architecture and art. We trust that the combination of education, research and science, and an enjoyable social program will make the RSLM Congress 2008 an unforgettable event!

We look forward to a lively congress and wish you a very successful participation.

Yours sincerely,  
Prof. Dr. Gheorghe Benga  
RSLM President

Dr. Manole Cojocaru  
Congress President

# Preliminary Scientific Programme

## Schedule at-a-glance

<b>Monday, October 20<sup>th</sup>, 2008</b>	
08.00 - 18.00	Registration
<b>Conference Hall A</b>	<b>Conference Hall B</b>
<b>3rd Symposium on Immunopathology</b>	<b>Opening Ceremony of the Congress of Clinical Laboratory Assistants</b>
09.00 - 11.00	Plenary Session I – Biological Markers of Autoimmune Diseases
11.00 - 11.15	<b>Coffee Break &amp; Visit Exhibition &amp; Posters</b>
11.15 - 13.00	Plenary Session II – Monitoring and Management of Autoimmune Diseases
13.00 - 14.00	<b>Lunch Break &amp; Visit Exhibition &amp; Posters</b>
14.00 - 16.45	Plenary Session III – Monitoring and Management of Allergy Diseases
	Plenary Session III – The Role of Clinical Laboratory Assistants – Post-Analytical Phase
17.00 - 17.30	Opening Ceremony of the RSLM Congress
17.30 - 18.00	Plenary lecture 1
18.00 - 18.30	Plenary lecture 2
19.00 - 21.00	<b>Welcome Cocktail</b>
21.00 - 22.00	Meeting of the RSLM Board

<b>Tuesday, October 21<sup>st</sup>, 2008</b>	
<b>RSLM Congress</b>	
<b>Conference Hall A</b>	<b>Conference Hall B</b>
09.00 - 10.30	Plenary Session I – Symposium of Medical Genetics
10.30 - 11.00	Satellite Symposium
11.00 - 11.30	<b>Coffee Break &amp; Visit Exhibition &amp; Posters</b>
11.30 - 12.30	Plenary Session II – Total Quality Management in Laboratory Medicine
12.30 - 13.00	RSLM General Assembly
13.00 - 14.00	<b>Lunch Break &amp; Visit Exhibition &amp; Posters</b>
14.00 - 15.00	Plenary Session III – Total Quality Management in Laboratory Medicine
15.00 - 15.30	Satellite Symposium
15.30 - 16.00	<b>Coffee break &amp; Visit Exhibition &amp; Posters</b>
16.00 - 18.30	Plenary Session IV – Total Quality Management in Laboratory Medicine
20.00	<b>Gala Dinner</b>

<b>Wednesday October 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2008</b>	
<b>RSLM Congress</b>	

Conference Hall A		Conference Hall B
09.00 - 10.30	Plenary Session IX – New Advances in Immunology	Bacteriology Course
10.30 - 11.00	Satellite Symposium	Mycology Workshop
11.00 - 11.30	Coffee Break & Visit Exhibition & Posters	
11.30 - 13.00	Plenary Session X – New Advances in Bacteriology	Bacteriology Course
13.00 - 14.00	Lunch Break & Visit Exhibition & Posters	
14.00 - 15.00	Plenary Session XI – New Advances in Parasitology	Plenary Session XIII – New Advances in Molecular and Cellular Biology
15.00 - 15.30	Molecular and Cellular Biology Workshop	Molecular and Cellular Biology Workshop
15.30 - 16.00	Coffee Break & Visit Exhibition & Posters	
16.00 - 18.30	Plenary Session XII – New Advances in Mycology	Biochemistry Workshop
18.30 - 19.00	Closing Ceremony of the RSLM Congress	

## **Title of the Congress on Laboratory Medicine Promotion of Good Practices in Clinical laboratory/Quality Assurance Programmes**

### **Proposed topics for Congress**

Strategies for the establishment of quality assurance programs  
 Standardization of laboratory measurements  
 Establishment of reference intervals; calibration  
 Managing the modern clinical laboratory  
 Appropriate technology for laboratory services  
 The certification and accreditation for medical laboratories  
 Clinical utility of laboratory testing  
 The quality of point-of-care testing  
 Errors in laboratory medicine  
 Evidence-based laboratory medicine  
 Influence and control of pre-analytical factors  
 Pre- and post-analytic variables  
 The role of microbiology in infection-control  
 Evidence-based sepsis diagnostics  
 Automated hematology laboratory  
 New aspects of coagulation diagnostics  
 Quality assurance in point-of-care  
 Development of diagnostic guidelines  
 Molecular basis of disease and therapy  
 From basic research to clinical practice  
 Clinical toxicology as a part of laboratory medicine  
 Private clinical laboratory policies  
 Harmonization of clinical chemistry and laboratory medicine teaching with EU standards  
 Clinical laboratory of the future  
 All other fields of laboratory medicine

### **Title of the Symposium on Immunopathology**

# Strategies for Rational Laboratory Use

## Proposed topics for Symposium

Molecular and Cellular Mechanisms of Human Hypersensitivity and Autoimmunity

Gene-environment interaction

Immunological cancer markers

Laboratory diagnostics of autoimmune diseases

Impact of advanced technology on immunoassay

Immunoassay standardization and calibration of automated immunoanalyzers

Training and education in clinical immunology

Congress Organizers

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