

# **BULGARIAN SOCIETY OF CLINICAL LABORATORY**

Bulgarian Society of Clinical Laboratory (BSCL) was founded on 16<sup>th</sup> November 1961. It played a very important role in the development of the Clinical Laboratory and the healthcare system in our country during the second half of the 20<sup>th</sup> century. Bulgarian Society of Clinical Laboratory has 4 branches in the country: Sofia – Capital and Southwest Bulgaria (numerous branches), Plovdiv – South Bulgaria, Pleven – Northwest Bulgaria and Varna – Northeast Bulgaria.

The Bulgarian Society now has 383 members.

Current President of BSCL is Prof. Kamen Tzatchev and Secretary Assoc. Prof Liljana Lambreva.

BSCL is a member of IFCC since 26<sup>th</sup> February 1978.

Main achievements of BSCL are:

- ◆ Making of the Medical Standard for Clinical Laboratory, as the main normative document for the activity of Clinical Laboratories in Bulgaria,
- ◆ Creation of National Quality Assurance System,
- ◆ Translation of the International Standard for Accreditation of Medical Laboratories ISO 15189 and its approval as the Bulgarian government standard.

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