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Programme

Beyond the surface

Clinical biology of
the apparently
healthy individual


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09:30 – 10:00 : Welcome Coffee

10:00 – 12:00 **Part 1. Morning session organized by the FAKB/AABC**FAKB
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Chairs: Dr. Robbe Heestermans and Phn. Maxime Bosse

10:00 – 10:20 **From Diaper to Dura: Salmonella's Surprising Route in Neonatal Meningitis**

Apr. S. Goes - UZ Brussel

10:20 – 10:40 **LDH: When should you alert?**

Phn. Y. Nezzar - UC Louvain

10:40 – 11:00 **Unexplained hypoxemia in a pediatric patient**

Apr. K. De Letter - UZ Gent

11:00 – 11:20 **A Pernicious Liver Affair: Chronicle of Auto-Immune Disorders**

PhD. Phn. C. Parulski - ULiège

11:20 – 11:40 **Integrative Laboratory Diagnosis of Cryoglobulinemia: A Case-Based Discussion**

Dr. E. Calliauw - UZ Brussel

11:40 – 12:00 **Clinical Utility of PIVKA-II in the Diagnosis and Management of Liver Cancer**

Phn. Y. Boufelliga - UC Louvain

12:00 – 13:30 : Lunch Break

13:30 – 15:00 **Part 2. Screening in hematology (I)**

Chairs: Prof. Stijn Lambrecht and Mr. Jean-Louis Bayart

13:30 – 14:00 **Thrombophilia testing: When? How?**

Prof. C. Orlando, Hemostasis Lab, UZ Brussel, Belgium.

14:00 – 14:30 **Pre-operative screening in context of patient blood management**

Prof. Dr. V. Compernelle, Department of Laboratory Medicine, Ghent University Hospital, Belgium

14:30 – 15:00 **Clinical performance of non-standard hematology parameters**

Prof. G. Lippi, Department of Clinical Biochemistry, Verona University, Italy

15:00 – 15:30 : Coffee Break

15:30 – 17:00 **Part 3. Screening in hematology (II)**

Chairs: Prof. François Mullier and Dr. Matthias Cuykx

15:30 – 15:55 **Detection of red blood cell disorders and iron deficiency using hematology analyzers**

Prof. E. Urrechaga, Senior Consultant Clinical Chemistry, Osakidetza, Bilbao, Basque Country

15:55 – 16:20 **Platelet counting: tips and tricks: recommendations from the French Speaking Cellular Hematology Group**

Prof. V. Bardet, Department of Hematology-Immunology, AP-HP Hospital Ambroise-Paré, Paris, France

16:20 – 16:45 **Diagnosis of T-cell clonality and mature T cell leukemia and lymphoma by flow cytometry**

Prof. A. Orfao, Department of Medicine, University of Salamanca, Salamanca, Spain

16:45 – 17:00 **Oral Communication: Best abstract in Hematology**17:00 – 18:00 **Part 4. Key Note lecture**

Chairs: Prof. Etienne Cavalier and Prof. Joris Delanghe

17:00 – 17:15 **Best Paper Prize**17:15 – 18:00 **Ethical challenges involved in screening asymptomatic individuals**

Prof. Dr. W. Van Biesen, Department of Nephrology, Ghent University Hospital, Belgium

18:00 – 19:00 : Congress Reception

19:30 : Congress Diner

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08:10 – 08:40 : Welcome Coffee

08:40 – 09:00 Awards Ceremony

09:00 – 11:00 **Part 1. Cardiovascular prevention and patient empowerment**

Chairs: Dr. Michel Langlois and Prof. Ernst Rietzschel

09:00 – 09:30 **Lp(a): What is it? And which are the available treatments?**

Prof. Dr. F. Demeure, Department of Cardiology, CHU Namur, Belgium

09:30 – 10:00 **Standardization and Quantification of Lp(a)**

Dr. M. Langlois, Department of Laboratory Medicine, AZ St. Jan Bruges, Belgium

10:00 – 10:30 **Okay, Lp(a) is high, what is next?**

Prof. Dr. E. Rietzschel, Department of Cardiology, Ghent University Hospital, Belgium; President of the Belgian Atherosclerosis Society (BAS)

10:30 – 10:45 **Oral communication: Best abstract in Clinical Chemistry**

10:45 – 11:10 : Coffee Break

11:10 – 11:50 **Guided poster tour**

11:50 – 12:45 : Lunch Break

12:45 – 13:30 **Part 2. Siemens Healthcare Sponsored Symposium**

Chairs: Mrs. Sabine Smets

The ELF test in a primary care setting:**early liver fibrosis identification and risk stratification for improved patient care.**

M. Pugh, Siemens Marketing Manager Northwest Europe &

D. De Clercq, Siemens Team Lead Clinical Excellence Southwest Europe

13:30 – 13:45 **Oral communication: Second Best abstract in Clinical Chemistry**13:45 – 15:45 **Part 3. Early Detection of Disease in Asymptomatic Individuals**

Chairs: Prof. Dr. Ellen Anckaert and Prof. Pieter Vermeersch

13:45 – 14:15 **Population-based 1st-tier Genomic Newborn Screening - Results of BabyDetect Study**

Prof. F. Boemer, Biochemical Genetics Laboratory, Newborn Screening Centre, CHU Liège, Belgium

14:15 – 14:45 **Optimization of CKD screening strategies by urine test strips using the albumin-creatinine read-out**

Dr. M. Oyaert, Department of Laboratory Medicine, Ghent University Hospital, Belgium

14:45 – 15:35 **Screening in (gestational) Diabetes****14:45-15:10** Screening gestational diabetes

Prof. K. Benhalima, UZ Leuven, Belgium

15:10-15:35 (Pre) analytical challenges in the laboratory diagnosis of type I diabetes

Mrs. L. Lutteri, Department of Clinical Chemistry, CHU de Liège, Belgium

15:45: Wrap up and end of the 2025 RBSLM Annual Meeting