Report from Scholarship Recipients at IFCC General Conference in Madrid

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Name of society represented: Association of Clinical Chemistry and Laboratory Medicine of Ukraine

1. List the scientific items from the programme that interested you:
   - Section of analytical reliability of laboratory studies with the following very interesting presentations:
     - Prof. Graham Beastall "Standardization of laboratory tests - why it is needed";
     - Prof. Greg Miller "Standardization of laboratory tests - how to do it".
   - Scientific discussion moderated by Dr. R. van Schaik "Personalized and Stratified Medicine: the central role of Lab Medicine in its development and clinical use. Where do we stand, where can we go?" gave the opportunity to discuss the possibilities and the potential of diagnostic laboratory markers in the implementation of personalized medicine.

2. List non-scientific items from the programme that interested you:
   - Report of the IFCC President Prof. Maurizio Ferrari "Strategic Plan IFCC (2016-2017)" was very important, comprehensive, systematic, and detailed sufficiently for the development of the National Associations action plans.
   - Presentation of Dr. Edgard Delvin "Facing the Digital Future of IFCC Communications" has shown the technological capabilities already in use and to be developed during the communicating of laboratory medicine specialists.

3. List learning points that will be useful to your society:
   - Developing Quality Competence in Medical Laboratories;
   - Value and Impact of Laboratory Medicine in Healthcare ;
   - IFCC eAcademy: Implementation of Distance Learning Programs in Laboratory Medicine

4. Suggest topics for the programme of the next General Conference:
   It would be very interesting to participate the following plenary sessions during future meetings:
   - experience of creation and functioning of large high-capacity medical laboratories, especially in Eastern European countries;
   - introduction of completely new laboratory tests and technologies into the activities of medical laboratories;
   - presentation of an algorithm and of a program of laboratory diagnosis and of therapy performance evaluation using the example of cardiovascular diseases (acute coronary syndrome and acute cerebrovascular accident).

5. Add any final remarks:
   The IFCC General Conference was held at a high scientific and organizational level. All conditions have been created for participants to have sufficient time for personal communication and discussion of all the topical issues.
   Meetings of the ACCLMU representatives took place with the IFCC President Prof. Maurizio Ferrari and Presidents of Associations of Latvia, Lithuania and Estonia concerning further cooperation.
   Also, Tetyana Kheylomska took part in the IFCC Task Force Young Scientists (TF-YS) meeting to discuss the possibility of internship financial support for young professionals - ACCLMU members and, together with other members of TF-YS, visited one of the largest "centralized" medical laboratories in Madrid.
Prof. Ganna Lunova, Association of Clinical Chemistry and Laboratory Medicine of Ukraine

Prof. Ganna Lunova and Prof Ferrari, IFCC President

Tetyana Kheylomska taking part in the IFCC Task Force Young Scientists activities