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PRESENTATION

The Latin American Confederation of Clinical Biochemistry known as COLABIOCLI was founded in 1968 during the First Latin American Congress of Clinical Biochemistry developed in the city of Mar del Plata - Argentina - as an initiative by a group of professionals belonging to the Federation of Specialists of Biological Analysis of the Province of Buenos Aires. On November 28th, 1973, five years later, during the II Latin American Congress, held in Porto Alegre, Brazil, COLABIOCLI was officially launched (IFCC Handbook 2015-2017, pp. 83-85).

The main objective of COLABIOCLI is to provide a better service to the community by the continuous training of biochemical and laboratory medicine professionals that would enhance ethical, scientific, technical development. These goals are achieved by promoting the organization of scientific events, as well as programs of external quality assessment schemes. Besides other relevant aspects, this is also highlighted in the main page of the COLABIOCLI website, addressed by its current President Dr. Carlos Daniel Navarro.

The National Ecuadorian Society of Clinical Biochemistry (SEBIOCLI) organized the XXII COLABIOCLI Congress

2015. This conference was sponsored by the IFCC, which supported four symposia and a workshop on traceability in laboratory medicine, being the analytical quality one of the major themes of the congress, including a round table discussion on laboratory accreditation based on ISO 15189 was presented.

The COLABIOCLI congress was an opportunity to obtain up-to-date knowledge. It provided the stage to improve agreement between scientific societies, universities and foundations with public services; furthermore, the latest technological advances were presented at the Diagnostic in vitro industry exhibition.



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Opening ceremony held on September 24th, 2015 at the JW Marriott Hotel Convention Center, Quito, Ecuador