

## MY EXPERIENCE AT IFCC GENERAL CONFERENCE IN MADRID

It was a great pleasure for me to represent the Syrian Clinical Laboratory Association in the XII - IFCC General Conference. Madrid was an excellent choice to hold this conference (19-21 March 2016).

I would like to express my feeling during these days; it was amazing to see myself within 24 hour going from Aleppo, Syria all the way to Madrid, Spain to join this important event.

It is great to meet friends and colleagues, and enjoy attending lectures, discussion, new topics dealing with the cancer genomics, clinical chemistry, Immunology, etc.

It was really fantastic, and time went very quickly during the conference, but the fact is we took with us homework especially that we have to share this experience with our colleagues in Syria and to explain it, and to start making plans, making bridge between Syria and IFCC committee.

We also aim to communicate our thoughts on how the IFCC provides young scientists the opportunity and skills to excelling in the field of clinical chemistry and the possibility of working together with IFCC.

Finally, I would like to add the note of the president of SCLA (Syrian Clinical Laboratory Association) Dr. Mohmmad Tinawi:

“The SCLA would like to suggest the following topic: Why always congresses and conferences held mostly in developed countries and why not try to hold them in developing countries to set a clear example on how laboratory medicine is practiced internationally. Does the IFCC have any plan to help?

On behalf of Syrian members of the Association I wish you a very successful and fruitful conference”.

Sincerely yours,

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