

Dear Colleagues,

On behalf of the Organizing Committee of the XII<sup>th</sup> International Congress of Paediatric Laboratory Medicine (ICPLM) and the Task Force on Paediatric Laboratory Medicine (TF-PLM) of the International Federation of Clinical Chemistry and Laboratory Medicine (IFCC), we would like to invite you to visit Berlin, Germany's Capital, from 13<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> May 2011. The focus of the congress will be on the latest scientific and technological achievements in all areas of paediatric clinical and diagnostic laboratory medicine and we are certain that all participants will be enthused by the program. Taking place immediately before the IFCC World Lab Berlin 2011, the congress offers you the unique opportunity to gather the latest information in laboratory medicine for children as well as for adult patients.

The opening plenary will be given by Dr Michael Thamm, Director of the epidemiological laboratory at the Robert-Koch Institute in Berlin. The scientific program will cover a wide range of topics and includes sessions on genetically determined diseases in children, metabolic disorders, newborn screening, haemoglobinopathies, immune deficiency syndromes, endocrinology, paediatric reference intervals, and many other topics. We would also like to encourage you to submit your latest scientific research results to be presented in the scientific poster sessions. The program will appeal to a wide variety of participants including laboratory physicians, scientists and technologists, as well as practicing clinicians in paediatrics, neonatology, infectious disease and family medicine.

Detailed information about the 2011 ICPLM Berlin and its program is available at [www.icplm2011.org](http://www.icplm2011.org).

We have not forgotten the lighter side and invite you to take the opportunity to visit the many cultural attractions of Berlin and its surroundings. With the support of the local Tourism Board, we will ensure that you experience all aspects of this exciting City in the Heart of Europe.

So do save these dates in your diary – we look forward to hosting you in Berlin in May 2011!



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### Preliminary Program

Friday, May 13th, 2011 (Langenbeck-Virchow House)	
Registration	
17:00 Opening Ceremony Welcome Addresses	
Opening Plenary: Assessing Health in Children: National Surveys and the Role of the Laboratory (M. Thamm) Welcome Reception	
Saturday, May 14th, 2011 (ICC Berlin)	
08:30 Plenary: Fetal DNA/proteins in maternal blood (D.Bianchi)	Symposium 7 The Kidney
Symposium 1 The Fetus	Symposium 8 Endocrinology
Prenatal screening	Renal Diseases-diagnosis
Fetal lung maturity	Disorders of sexual development
The distressed fetus - fetal fibronectin; fetal alcohol syndrome	Cystatin, creatinine and GFR
Scalp measurements - pH or lactate?	Tubular disorders
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## General Information:

### Registration Fees:

Full Registration, "early bird" (before March 30 <sup>th</sup> , 2011)	250 €
"Young Scientist*" Registration, "early bird"	100 €
Full Registration, late (after March 30 <sup>th</sup> , 2011)	350 €
"Young Scientist*" Registration, late	150 €
On Site Registration	400 €
On Site "Young Scientist*" Registration	200 €

\*"Young Scientist": MD or PhD students, and 1<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> year Residents

The Full Registration and "Young Scientist" registration fees include:

- Entrance to plenary lectures, symposia and posters sessions,
- Possibility to submit abstracts,
- Congress information package,
- Certificate of attendance,
- Coffee and tea service during intermissions,
- Opening Ceremony and Welcome Party (Friday, May 13<sup>th</sup>, 2011),
- Berlin public transportation ticket valid from May 13<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup>, 2011.

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**Deadline for Poster Abstract Submission: Jan 15<sup>th</sup>, 2011!**



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