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Worldlab 2020 Takes On Healthcare excellence

The IFCC is a proud sponsor and founding partner of the UNIVANTS of Healthcare Excellence award program. In partnership with other leading healthcare organizations, the IFCC inspires and recognizes integrated clinical care teams who have worked together to leverage laboratory data in unique ways in order to achieve measurable better outcomes. Twelve teams across the globe with impressive best practices were recognized with honours last year, including three teams that received the program's highest honour of "UNIVANTS of Healthcare Excellence" WINNER.

One of the winning benefits of the 2019 awards was a prestigious invitation to share their leading best practice with others in a scientific forum at the 24th International Congress of Clinical Chemistry and Laboratory Medicine (IFCC WorldLab Seoul 2020). The highly anticipated symposia will be chaired by IFCC President, Prof. Maurizio Ferrari, and will feature an expert leader from each of the three winning care teams. Presenters include:

(1) Prof. Ellie Dow from the University of Dundee who will present on Intelligent Liver Function Testing (iLFT): A Cost-Effective Way to Increase Early Diagnosis of Liver Disease, (2) Prof. Tim James from Oxford University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust who will present on the developing role of angiogenic markers in the laboratory assessment of pre-eclampsia and (3) Dr. Saban Elitok, who will present on behalf of Diaverum Kidney Care Centre Potsdam affiliated with Otto-von-Guericke University Magdeburg; Dialysis Centre Potsdam & Ernst-von-Bergmann Hospital Potsdam, who will present on an Improved Diagnostic Pathway and Treatment for Hospitalized Patients with Acute Kidney Injury.



Tim James



Prof. Ellie Dow

Each of the above best practices involved teamwork and included stakeholders from within and outside the core laboratory who worked together for the common purpose of improving healthcare for their patients. The fruits of their labor enabled improved patient outcomes but also facilitated improved outcomes through other key performance indicators (KPIs) with measurable benefit to clinicians, payors and their entire health systems.

The ability to leverage laboratory data to achieve improved, favorable outcomes has been widely recognized by the laboratory medicine community. However, measurement of care continuum is difficult and often underappreciated by stakeholders outside the core laboratory. These best practices, and other examples of leading success stories through the power of clinical data are essential for transformational care.

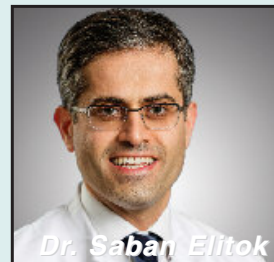
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To learn more about 2020 WorldLab and to keep up-to-date about the evolving situation and rescheduled dates, please visit www.seoul2020.org/2020

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