

It's Diagnosis, Not Diagnostics

Name: Innovation Academy Date: 4th December 2015 Time: 9.15am – 4.00pm Venue: Armourers' Hall, 81 Coleman Street, London EC2R 5BJ

London, 9th November 2015, Viapath is pleased to announce its line-up of thought leaders and expert speakers for the upcoming fifth symposium of the Innovation Academy with the patient-centred theme of "It's Diagnosis, Not Diagnostics".

Attracting some of the most dynamic, influential and forward thinking protagonists who are driving and shaping the pathology agenda. These specially invited speakers will share insight into their scientific work, and personal experiences, while also evaluating the purpose and effectiveness of the modern day pathology service.

This year's event not only discusses new scientific innovations, but also aims to serve as a reminder that behind every sample and every diagnostic test, there is a patient. We are putting the patient at the heart of our forum for change, as we discuss the latest developments in pathology and the wider healthcare community.

"We are delighted to welcome our speakers to this, our fifth Innovation Academy symposium. Last December's event was another great success, which we built upon with a series of Innovation Academy webinars during the summer. The Innovation Academy continues to go from strength to strength, offering an open forum for the sharing of the latest innovations in pathology," said Dr Dominic Harrington, Scientific Director at Viapath for Guy's and St. Thomas'.

Opening remarks will be made by the Executive Director and Chair of Save Babies through Screening Foundation UK, Pat Roberts. The recently confirmed conference agenda and speaker line up is as follows:

9.15 Registration

9.40 Welcome Pat Roberts – Executive Director Save Babies Through Screening Foundation UK

Session 1 - CQI in Healthcare

- **10.00** Andy Brogan Do we know whether diagnostic medicine is achieving its purpose?
- 10.35 Dr David Clark Acting our way to a new way of thinking - changing the way we manage at Path Links
- **11.10** Dr Tom Lewis Putting purpose back into Pathology
- 11.30 Break

Session 2 – Viapath Innovation Fund Sponsored Projects

- 11.50 Dr Bob Collins HLA Typing by Next Generation Sequencing
- 12.05 Gemma Cross Cytokines in haematological syndromes
- 12.20 Dr James McMillan Identification and diagnosis of epidermolysis bullosa simplex skin disease with exophilin-5 defects using immuno-histochemistry and modern electron microscopic methods.
- **12.35** Michaela Dowley TMS method for the measurement of homogentisic acid in patients with Alkaptonuria
- 12.50 Dr Tony Marinaki Next generation sequencing as first line screening for the diagnosis of inherited metabolic diseases.
- 1.05 Panel discussion
- **1.15** Lunch (and CQI working lunch workshop for registered delegates)

Excellence in Pathology Award – the 2015 finalists

- 2.00 Finalist 1 (TBC)
- 2.05 Finalist 2 (TBC)
- 2.10 Finalist 3 (TBC)



- **2.15** Dr Jignesh Patel Is there a need for monitoring NOAC levels in routine practice?
- **2.45** Dr Calum Moulton Measuring systemic markers of inflammation as a novel link between depression and type 2 diabetes.
- **3.15** Prof Richard Thompson Bile acids cause liver disease and a whole lot more
- 3.45 Winner of Excellence in Pathology Award 2015 announced and presentation
- 4.00 Close

This free to attend event is the perfect opportunity for those interested in pathology to meet, converse and network with key experts in this field. Attendees to the session will also be able to interact with the chair and speakers via the dedicated hashtag **#InnovationAcademy**.

Further information will be released in the coming weeks but in the meantime please contact <u>innovationacademy@viapath.co.uk</u> if you would like to attend.

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Editors Note

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