

# 4th Joint EFLM – UEMS Congress



European Union of Medical Specialists Section  
of Laboratory Medicine/Medical Biopathology

## Laboratory medicine at the clinical interface

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# WARSAW

## 21-24<sup>th</sup> September 2016

### Venue: Double Tree by Hilton, Warsaw

Early registration:	June 30 <sup>th</sup>
On-line registration:	August 30 <sup>th</sup>
Abstract submission:	May 15 <sup>th</sup>

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# WELCOME

On behalf of the Congress Organizing Committee it is a great pleasure to invite you all to the 4<sup>th</sup> Joint EFLM-UEMS Congress in Warsaw, largest European event in Laboratory Medicine and Clinical Diagnostics in 2016.

More than 50 international experts in the field of clinical medicine and laboratory diagnostics will present state of the art lectures and more than 700 participants, both laboratory professionals and clinicians, from all over the world are expected and welcome.

The Congress program includes scientific symposia, plenary lectures, poster sessions, debates, and educational workshops. Congress topics are selected to address hot issues of medicine, in areas such as cardiology, oncology, nephrology, neurology, endocrinology, transplantation, immunology, microbiology, pediatrics, among others. Laboratory diagnostics at the clinical interface spans from next generation sequencing, assessment of cell free DNA, mass spectrometry, to point-of-care-testing for diagnosing and predicting disease as well as for guiding and monitoring therapy.

We particularly encourage young physicians, laboratory professionals, scientists, and researchers to submit their work. All abstracts will be reviewed by an international evaluation committee and the best abstracts will be selected as oral presentations. There are reduced registration fees for all young scientists <35 years and travel bursaries are available to participate in the Congress.

Sponsored workshops will give the diagnostic industry the opportunity to present their latest innovations to a specialist audience.

Don't miss this important event in the beautiful city of Warsaw. Book the dates, keep an eye on our website and find us on Facebook. We look forward to seeing you in the capital of Poland this September!

**Prof. Grazyna Sypniewska**  
(EFLM, PTDL)

President of the Congress and  
Organizing Committee Chair

**Prof. Eberhard Wieland**  
(UEMS)

Scientific Programme Committee Chair

## Warsaw at a Glance

Warsaw is the capital and the largest city of Poland with more than 1.7 million inhabitants. It is located on the Vistula River, which is the Europe's widest river, flowing through the centre of the city. This amazing city is full of contrasts, question marks and surprises. It will excite and inspire you.

Warsaw is sometimes called "phoenix city" because of its astonishing ability to arise from the ruins, which took places several times in its history. During World War II more than 80% of Warsaw was destroyed. The city and particularly its historical buildings were reconstructed and rebuilt, with as many original bricks as possible. Together with Old Town, Royal Route, Royal Łazienki Park and the Residence of Jan II Sobieski in Wilanów, Warsaw offers a lots of other historical places to visit, above and beyond it is full of parks, green places, outdoor cafes and a great many cultural places. That's why it is one of the major international tourist destination in Central and Eastern Europe.

The capital of Poland holds some of Europe's best museums, including permanent exhibition in POLIN Museum of the History of Polish Jews – probably the most important cultural institution of that kind on the continent. The turbulent history of Warsaw may be experienced in the interactive Warsaw Rising Museum and if one is keen on music, the Fryderyk Chopin Museum gives an opportunity to take a journey into the past with the help of its ultramodern exhibitions.

And let's not forget about time for shopping. Department stores tempt with great bargains and little boutiques invite customers to have a look at unique Polish design.





**Grażyna Odrowąż-Sypniewska**  
PhD,  
Professor of clinical  
biochemistry  
Chair of Organizing Committee

Prof. Grażyna Sypniewska is the Head of Department of Laboratory Medicine at Collegium Medicum and at University Hospital, Nicolaus Copernicus University, Bydgoszcz, Poland.

She is a member of four international scientific societies, National Representative of Poland at IFCC, Member-at-Large of the Executive Board at EFLM and vice-president of the Polish Society of Laboratory Diagnostics. She is a member of EFLM-EAS Task Finishing Group "Laboratory Testing for Dyslipidemia". Prof. Sypniewska is an author/co-author of 112 articles cited by PubMed. Former Editor-in-Chief of eJ IFCC, member of Editorial Board of several international medical journals including: *Clinical Biochemistry*, *CCLM*, *Biochemia Medica* and *Journal of Medical Biochemistry*. She is an Editor-in-chief of University medical journal *Folia Medica Copernicana*. Prof. Sypniewska chairs the Polish Labtestonline Editor's group.



**Bogdan Solnica, PhD, MD,**  
Professor  
Member of Scientific  
Committee, PTLD President

Prof. Bogdan Solnica is the Head of Department of Clinical Biochemistry at Jagiellonian University Medical College, Cracow, Poland.

He is the president of Polish Society of Laboratory Diagnostics, a member of American Association for Clinical Chemistry and Polish Diabetes Association and National Representative of Poland at European

Register of Specialists in Laboratory Medicine (EC-4). He is an author of 52 articles cited by PubMed and a member of Editorial Board of several Polish medical journals, including „Medycyna Praktyczna” (“Practical Medicine”) and „Choroby Wewnętrzne” (“Internal Diseases”).



**Eberhard Wieland, MD,**  
Professor of clinical chemistry  
and laboratory medicine  
Chair of Scientific Committee

Prof. Eberhard Wieland is the Medical Director of the Central Institute for Clinical Chemistry and Laboratory Medicine, Klinikum Stuttgart, Professor of Clinical Chemistry and Laboratory Medicine in Eberhard - Karls - University Tuebingen, Germany and Medical Director at the School for Medical Technical Assistants in Stuttgart, Germany.

He is a German Delegate at European Union of Medical Specialists (UEMS) in the Board of Medical Biopathology/Laboratory Medicine. He has been Director of Education of the International Association of Therapeutic Drug Monitoring and Clinical Toxicology (2013-2015). He chairs the working group accreditation of the German Society for Clinical Chemistry and Laboratory Medicine (DGKL) and the GLP commission of the German accreditation body DAkkS. In 2005 he became registered as European Specialist in Laboratory Medicine (EurSpLM) by the European Federation of Clinical Chemistry and Laboratory Medicine (EFLM) and in 2013 he was appointed Fellow of the Board of Laboratory Medicine and Medical Biopathology (FEBLM) of the UEMS. He is a member of the Editorial Board of several international medical journals: *Journal of Laboratory Medicine*, *Clinical Biochemistry*, *Folia Medica*. He is an author/co-author of 113 articles cited by PubMed.



# Scientific Programme

## Wednesday, 21<sup>st</sup> September

- 10:00** Pre-Congress Symposium (13:00 closing)  
Clinical utility of bone marker measurement in metabolic diseases.  
*Under the auspices of the European Calcified Tissue Society*
- 17:30** Opening Ceremony
- 18:30** Opening Plenary  
Plasma DNA: Driver of a revolution in molecular diagnostics for the clinic  
*Denis Lo (HK)*

## Thursday, 22<sup>nd</sup> September

- 8:30** Parallel Symposia  
Laboratory biomarkers of cardiovascular disease  
Diabetic kidney disease: Beyond albuminuria  
Therapeutic drug monitoring and pharmacogenetics of immunosuppressants (under the Auspices of IATDMCT)
- 10:30** Coffee Break, Exhibition
- 10:45** Workshops
- 11:50** Plenary  
Personalized cancer therapy: lessons from laboratory hematology  
*Jan Styczynski (PL)*
- 12:30** Lunch Break, Poster Rounds, Exhibition
- 14:00** Plenary:  
Translational aspects of inflammation in atherosclerosis  
*Magnus Bäck (SE)*
- 14:45** Parallel Symposia  
Laboratory assessment of kidney function  
Trends in pediatric laboratory medicine  
WASPaLM: Molecular diagnostics in cancer management
- 16:45** Coffee Break, Exhibition
- 17:00** Debate I  
Vitamin D: To test or not to test  
*PRO Roger Bouillon (BE)*  
*CONTRA Ian Young (IE)*  
Educational Workshop:  
Training of laboratory specialists in Europe  
Training of Scientists  
Training of Medical Doctors
- 18:00** Exhibition Reception (20:00 closing)

## Friday, 23<sup>rd</sup> September

- 8:30** Parallel Symposia  
Dyslipidemia: New clinical concepts and diagnostic tools  
New diagnostic tools for infectious diseases  
Diagnosis of autoimmune diseases
- 10:30** Coffee Break, Exhibition
- 10:45** Workshops
- 11:50** Plenary  
Promoting clinical and laboratory interaction by harmonization  
*Mauro Panteghini (IT)*
- 12:30** Lunch Break, Poster Rounds, Exhibition
- 14:00** Plenary  
Microbiome and disease  
*Andre Gessner (DE)*
- 14:45** Parallel Symposia  
Detecting age-related changes  
Clinical applications of genome sequencing  
Point-of-Care-testing: Methodology and Quality
- 16:45** Coffee Break, Exhibition
- 17:00** Debate II  
Direct Oral Anticoagulants (DOACs): To monitor or not?  
*PRO Lotta Joutsu-Korhonen (FI)*  
*CONTRA Grzegorz Grzesk (PL)*  
Educational Workshop:  
Direct reporting, record access by patients and the role of laboratory in informing patients
- 19:30** Social Evening (22:30 closing)

## Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> September

- 9:00** Parallel Symposia  
Asian Pacific Federation of Clinical Biochemistry: Pediatric endocrine symposium  
Biomarkers in neurology  
New trends in allergy testing
- 11:00** Coffee Break, Exhibition
- 11:15** Workshops
- 12:20** Plenary:  
Clinical application of companion diagnostics  
*Jan Trøst Jørgensen (DK)*
- 13:00** Closing Ceremony, Poster Prizes



## Venue

The Double Tree by Hilton Hotel and Conference Centre Warsaw offering the perfect combination of world-class conference facilities and leisure amenities has been found ideal for both: the Congress and the best main accommodation place for participants. It hosts large conferences, important business meetings and spectacular celebrations in the hotel's 54,000 sq.ft. of flexible event space. Its outdoor courtyard is ideal for unforgettable ceremonies and receptions. IT also gives the opportunity to indulge with a choice of treatments and amenities at the hotel's spacious destination spa, including medical treatments, a relaxation zone, fitness center and salty indoor pool. The conference center is located 25 minutes from Warsaw Chopin Airport and 20 minutes from the city center and the special taxi company will be offered for participants. Complimentary WiFi in all guest rooms and suites.

As an alternative another accommodation places will be recommended with shuttle to the conference center. For more details follow us on our webpage, Facebook or Tweeter.

## Abstract submission opened

Feel encouraged to submit your abstract!. The submission system is already opened. However it requires registration, **no advanced fee payment is necessary**, you will have an opportunity to do it later, after the information about the acceptance of your abstract. The abstract submission system was combined with registration to facilitate further processes. Just create your account now – you will not need to do it again later.

### Early registration by June 30<sup>th</sup>:

Full registration	420 Euro (VAT incl.)
Young registration (<35 yrs)	270 Euro (VAT incl.)
Day ticket	150 Euro (VAT incl.)

### Regular registration by August 30<sup>th</sup>:

Full registration	490 Euro (VAT incl.)
Young registration (<35 yrs)	300 Euro (VAT incl.)
Day ticket	180 Euro (VAT incl.)

**On-site full registration:** 535 Euro (VAT incl.)

## Please be aware that:

EFLM will offer five bursaries/travel grants to young scientists. Congress abstracts will be published in Clinical Chemistry and Laboratory Medicine. 3 best posters will get special EFLM-UEMS awards. All participants will get CPE credit points.







*...looking forward  
to seeing you all in Warsaw...*

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