

The C-CMBC of the International Federation for Clinical Chemistry will run a course for **Beginners in Molecular Diagnostics** in the basic techniques and procedures of *designing, setting-up, performing and validating of molecular genetic tests (MGT), their application in Health care and quality assessments.* The course comprises lectures, lab work and seminars; participation is limited

## **COURSE PROGRAMME**

November 10, 2012 : Pre-Course 09.00-10.00: Basic concepts on PCR 10.00-13.00: PCR optimization, anti-contamination procedures 14.00–18.00: Development of specific protocols for amplification tests. Exercises. November 11, 2012 : Day 1 09.00-10.00: Introduction to IFCC-EMD, C-CMBC and course issues - primary and secondary objectives of course 10.00–13.00: Lab set-up, technical requirements, preparation & storage of wetware 14.00-18.00: Systematic approaches to MGT; OECD guidelines for "Good Molecular Practice in MGT"; Quality Assurance, internal and external EQA programs; Accreditation; ELSI; C53 November 12, 2012 : Day 2 09.00–10.00: Seminar on DNA isolation and analysis techniques 10.00–13.00: DNA isolation from different tissues; analysis of DNA quality, integrity and yield; DNA separation; 14.00–18.00: Evaluation of experiments in technical seminar; Lectures on Molecular Microbiology and Bacteriology; November 13, 2012 : Day3 09.00–09.30: Seminar on PCR and amplification protocols 09.30-13.30: PCR; allele-specific amplification; restriction; RFLP method; read-out 14.30–18.00: continued experiments; seminar on result evaluation; Lectures on Genetic diseases and molecular diagnostics; November 14, 2012 : Day 4 09.00-09.30: Technical seminar on specific detection methods; **09.30–13.00:** allele-specific hybridization technique; setting up a hybridization assay for genotyping; HPV PCR set-up; 14.00-18.00: Evaluation of experimental results in technical seminar; lectures on Molecular Oncology and Molecular Microbiology-Virology; November 15, 2012 : Day 5 09.00-10.00: Introduction to assay design tools; 10.00–13.00: using primer design softwares; assay design software; optimising assay performance and trouble shooting;

use of databases for result interpretation (web-based or offline); in-silico set up of a genotyping assay

14.00 - 18.00: technical seminar and discussion of results; Lectures on Pharmacogenetics and State-of-the-Art Lecture (Arrays, NGS)

Beginners in Molecular Diagnostics should register via email by contacting **Dr. Raja Elina** email: rajaelina@yahoo.com

**Registration Fee: \$ .....** (includes costs for the course, and lunches).

Please note that costs of travel are not included

## Committee

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