

2011 Annual Report
Florida Section of the American Association for Clinical Chemistry, Inc.



Local Section Officers (2009-2011):

Chair: Shahida Shakir, M.D.

Chair Elect: William N. McLellan (Chair: September 1st, 2011)

Past Chair: William N. McLellan

Secretary: Deanna D. Franke, Ph.D., DABCC

Treasurer: Carmen G. Garcia

Delegate: Shahida Shakir, M.D.

Alternate Delegate: William N. McLellan

Non-Officer Directors (2010-2012): Six positions

James Bemis, Ph.D.

Janet Lineback, Ph.D.

Karin Petersin-Belter

Wayne A. Schreier, Ph.D.

Ann Tobin, Ph.D.

Lee Mell, Ph.D. – resigned (relocation outside FL section)

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YEAR IN REVIEW

MONTHLY MEETINGS:

Date	Speaker (Co-sponsor)	Title	# of Participants*
1/20/11	Ray Gambino, MD (Siemens)	Glucose Stability and Calibration	43
2/17/11	Barbara Connell (FL AACC)	Beyond the CBC – The Empowered Lab	49
3/17/11	Ann Gronowski, PhD (FL AACC)	The Analytical and Clinical Complexities of Measuring hCG	26
4/21/11	Patricia Grimes (Beckman Coulter)	CSI Miami: Case Study Investigation	48
5/19/11	Paul Riley	Antiphospholipid Syndrome and Lupus Anticoagulant	33
Summer Hiatus			
9/17/11	Sherry Dunbar, PhD (Luminex Corporation)	Multiplex Molecular Diagnostic Methodologies Utilizing Bead-Based Technology	39
10/21/11	Nilia Madan (FL AACC)	Florida Board of Clinical Laboratory Personnel Laws and Regulations	39
11/18/11	Deanna Franke, PhD, DABCC (FL AACC)	Clinical Significance of Non-Standard Body Fluid Analysis	40
12/07/11	Andrea Rose, PhD (Roche Diagnostics)	New Guidelines and Recommendations in Diabetes Testing	35

*Based on ACCENT evaluations although more in attendance because some people did not want CE credit.

OTHER ACTIVITIES:

2012 Florida Section Dinner Meetings: Programs and speakers have been identified for January through May 2012.

National Meeting: Members were on the 2011 Annual Meeting Organizing Committee and presented at various sessions including Short Courses and posters.

Awards/Recognitions: None

Newsletters published: None

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Travel Grants: None

Donations: The Florida section made a \$400 donation to the Van Slyke Foundation.

Student Recognition: Gave checks to the first and second place winners of the Broward County High School Science Fair in the Clinical Laboratory Sciences category. Unfortunately, the two winners were unable to attend the March 2011 dinner meeting when Dr. Gronowski visited the section.

Annual Section Meeting: Held September 15th, 2011.

Elections: Online elections were held in November for Local Section Officers and replacement for vacant Non-officer Director position. The section completed the online election.

The following were elected for two year term (2012-2013):

Chair-Elect: Deanna Franke, Ph.D., DABCC – resigned December 2011
(relocation outside FL Section)

Treasurer: Wayne Schreier, PhD

Secretary: Ann Tobin, PhD

The following was elected for one year term (2012):

Non-officer Director (vacant): Shahida Shakir, MD

Membership: 2009 = 260

2010 = 244

2011 = 254

Members: 170

Affiliate: 35

Students: 7

Emeritus: 42

Thank you: A very sincere thank you is extended to Michele Horwitz, Deborah Watkins, April Gascon and other members of the AACC National staff for their outstanding assistance and support to the Florida section throughout 2011.