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Annual Report; 2011

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Activities:

Annual Local Section Conference: April 14-16, 2011 in Saskatoon, SK

12 Speakers (program attached)

45 attendees

2 corporate sponsors

2011 RMAACC Scholarships

- 1) Vilte Barakauskas, Clin. Chem. Fellow, Univ. Utah/ARUP Labs \$1000**
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- 4) Robert Newberry, Yuma Regional Med. Ctr., AZ \$500**
- 5) Qing H. Meng, Univ. of Saskatoon/Saskatoon Health Region \$500**
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**36th Annual Rocky
Mountain AACC Section
Conference**

April 14-16, 2011

**Hilton Garden Inn,
90- 22nd Street East,
Saskatoon, SK, S7K 3X6**

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“Quality Diagnostic Laboratory Services in Patient Care”

Thursday April 14, 2011 – Sheraton Hotel

6:00 pm – Registration; 6:30 - Mixer & net working 7:00 –
Dinner & Talk: Quality in Education

Friday April 15, 2011

7:30-8:00 am-- Registration / Continental Breakfast

8:15-8:30 -- Welcome & Opening Remarks: Jay Kalra,
Chair

Session I Dr. Jay Kalra, Moderator

8:30-9:30 -- *Interventions to direct appropriate laboratory
test utilization.*

Dr. Geoffrey Baird, MD, Seattle, Washington, USA

9:30-9:45 -- Break

9:45-10:45 -- *Pan Canadian Standards in Laboratory
Medicine*

Lorie Carey, LOINC Subject Matter Expert, Canada Health
Infoway Inc., Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

10:45-11:45 -- *The Saskatchewan Laboratory Results
Repository Project,*

Karen Kovach, Laboratory Standards Analyst, Province of
Saskatchewan

**AACC Rocky Mountain 36th Annual Conference
Organizing Committee:**

Jay Kalra – Chair
John Krahn
Qing Meng
Mabood Qureshi
Peggy Emmett
Ernie Serediak

Advisors:

Merrill Emmett

This program has been approved for 12 ACCENT® credits
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11:45 AM- 1:00 PM -- Lunch (provided)

Session II Dr. John Krahn, Moderator

1:00-2:00 -- *D-Lactic Acidosis: A New Insight into an Old Phenomenon*

Dr. Qing Meng, PhD, MD, ABCC, FCACB, Clinical Professor and Associate Director, Clinical Biochemistry, Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine, Saskatoon Health Region, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

2:00-3:00 -- *Importance of CRP-Lowering Agents in Cardiovascular Diseases*

Dr. K. Prasad, MD, PhD, FRCPC, FACC, FICA, FIACS. Professor (Emeritus), University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

3:00–3:15 – Break

3:15-4:15 -- *Auto-verification in Clinical Laboratories*

Dr. John Krahn, PhD, FCACB, Head, Department of Pathology and Director, Saskatoon Health Region Clinical Laboratories, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

4:15-5:15 -- *Mass Spectroscopy: current applications in diagnostic laboratory medicine*

Dr. Dennis Lehotay, PhD, FCACB, Director of Clinical Biochemistry, Saskatchewan Provincial Laboratory, Regina, Saskatchewan

Saturday April 16, 2011

8:00-8:30 am---- Registration / Continental Breakfast

Session III Dr. Qing Meng, Moderator

8:30-9:30 -- *Laboratory medical error and disclosure: A global view*

Jay Kalra, MD, PhD, FRCPC, Professor, College of Medicine, University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

9:30-9:45 -- Break

9:45-10:45 -- *The Cost of Poor Quality*

Dr. Ana Stankovic, MD, PhD, MSSPH, World Wide Vice President of Medical and Scientific Affairs and Clinical Operations, BD Medical and Preanalytical Systems

10:45-11:45 – *Quality Improvement in Laboratory Medicine: Impacting on Patient Care*

Dr. J.M. Blondeau, MSc, PhD, RSM(CCM), SM(AAM), SM(ASCP), FCCP, Head, Clinical Microbiology, Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine, Saskatoon Health Region, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

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Session IV Dr. John Krahn, Moderator

1:00-2:00 -- *What Is New In Pediatric Diagnostic Testing And Its Reference Intervals?*

Dr. Qing Meng, PhD, MD, ABCC, FCACB, Clinical Professor and Associate Director, Clinical Biochemistry, Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine,

Saskatoon Health Region, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

2:00-3:00 -- *LEAN Six Sigma: Applications in laboratory medicine*

Dr. John Krahn, PhD, FCACB, Head, Department of Pathology and Director, Saskatoon Health Region Clinical Laboratories, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

3.00 -- Closing Remarks

3:05–3:25 -- Break

3:30 -- AACC Members Business Meeting