

# Critical Points

## AACC Critical & Point of Care Testing Division Member News

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### From the Division Chair...

Frederick L. Kiechle, MD, PhD; Medical Director, Clinical Pathology, Pathology Consultants of South Broward, LLP. Memorial Healthcare System



Welcome to another year of CPOCT Division activities which I hope you all will find educational as well as a delightful experience.

I would like to thank Jeffrey DuBois, PhD, our past-chair, and the staff at AACC and CPOCT officers for helping me find the appropriate course for our group to follow this year. Jeffrey announced the results of the 2012 AACC CPOCT Division officers on December 28, 2011 and I would like to congratulate the following:

- Chair Elect: William Clarke, PhD
- Secretary: Kerstin Halverson, MS
- Nominating Committee: Cynthia Bowman, MD and Marcia Zucker, PhD
- Member at Large: Martin Kroll, MD and Ellis Jacobs, PhD

At the 2012 AACC Annual Meeting in Los Angeles, California from July 15 to 19, 2012, the CPOCT Division has planned several important events:

#### Sunday, July 15, 2012:

##### CPOCT Executive Committee Meeting

3:30 – 4:30 pm at the JW Marriott Hotel Los Angeles at LA LIVE, Atrium I.

#### Monday, July 16, 2012:

**CPOCT Mentoring Get Together** By invitation only, location to be announced.

#### Tuesday, July 17, 2012:

##### CPOCT Annual Membership Meeting and Mixer

5:30 – 8:00 pm at the JW Marriott Hotel Los Angeles at LA LIVE Gold Ballroom Salons 1 and 2, to be followed by the Afterglow Event from 8:00 to 11:00 pm.

#### Thursday, July 19, 2012:

##### CPOCT 10th Annual POCs Forum: Coagulation II at the POC

7:30 – 10:00 am at the Los Angeles Convention Center. Registration fee \$20.00 includes a coupon for free admission to the AACC Lab Expo.

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**Hilton Prague Hotel**  
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Prague 8, Czech Republic  
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www.hilton.com



The 24th International Symposium will be held at the Hilton Prague, located on the bank of the Vltava River within walking distance of the city center. It is the largest modern upscale hotel in the Czech Republic and has been rated Best Hotel in the Czech Republic for four consecutive years. Known as the Golden City, Prague has a 2000 year history and offers old world charm with modern conveniences. Memorable sights include the Prague Castle and St. Vitus Cathedral, the Charles Bridge, Old Town Square with its famous astronomical clock, the National Museum on Wenceslas Square and the Jewish Quarter. Galleries, museums, restaurants and Prague's newest and biggest shopping center are within walking distance of the hotel.

**Room rate:** CZK 3700 (~\$208) for single or CZK 4100 (~\$230) double occupancy plus tax. Includes buffet breakfast. The room rate is valid 3 nights before and after the meeting.

<b>October 3, 2012</b>	
6:00pm	Wine and cheese reception
<b>October 4, 2012</b>	
8:30am	Welcome Remarks
8:45am	Keynote presentation
<b>SESSION 1:</b>	
9:30am	Why are there differences in reported benefits and outcomes with tight glycemic protocols in critical care patients? A debate. Moderator: Martha Lyon, PhD, Alberta Childrens Hospital, CN
<b>SESSION 2:</b>	
2:00pm	Sources and Prevention of Errors in Point of Care Testing Moderator: Robbert Slingerland, Isala Klinieken, Netherlands
5:00pm	Poster Viewing and Reception
<b>October 5, 2012</b>	
7:30am	Vendor Presentations
<b>SESSION 3:</b>	
9:00am	Point-of-Care Testing Beyond the Hospital Moderator: Ian Watson, PhD, University Hospital Aintree, Liverpool, UK
<b>SESSION 4:</b>	
1:30pm	Developing Effective Strategies to Achieve Quality POCT Results Moderator: Linda Sandhaus, MD, University Hospitals of Cleveland, OH, USA
6:30pm	Awards Dinner
<b>October 6, 2012</b>	
7:30am	Vendor Presentations
<b>SESSION 5:</b>	
9:00am	New Technologies in Point-of-Care Testing Moderator: Larry Crolla, PhD, Alexian Brothers Medical Center, Elk Grove Village, IL, USA
12noon	Adjourn

Visit <http://www.aacc.org/events/meetings/Pages/6752.aspx#> for abstract submission details



## Coagulation II at the Point-of-Care

**July 19, 2012 | 7:30 - 8:00 a.m. Hot buffet breakfast | 8:00 - 10:00 a.m. Presentation  
Los Angeles Convention Center**

**Sponsored by the AACC Critical and Point-of-Care Testing Division**

This year at the AACC meeting, the Critical and Point of Care Division celebrates the POC Forum's Tenth (10th) Anniversary. In recognition of this important milestone, Dr. Frederick Kiechle, Chair of the CPOCT Division, along with the forum committee (Ann Snyder, Audrey Gillette, Rick Lebo, Monica Thomas, Edwina Szlag, and Karen Jenkins) are hard at work planning with a commitment to creating a spectacular educational event with the most knowledgeable and articulate speakers in the field.

**Two distinguished speakers will update us on the coagulation topic.**

- Dr. Ellen Klapper, from Cedars Sinai Medical Center
- Dr. Ann Tobin, from Memorial Healthcare System (Hollywood, FL)

**Please join us...**

You are invited to join the CPOCT Executive Committee members in this celebration with a hot breakfast and scientific presentation. \$20.00 also includes entry to Thursday's Expo. Include the POC forum in your plans: July 19th 2012, 7:30am to 10:00am.

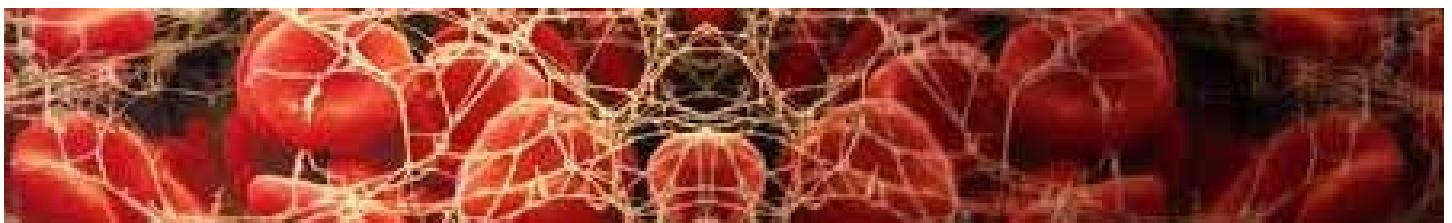
### About the POC Forum

The POC Forum is an educational event of nominal cost to participants as it is generously funded by sponsors. The event usually occurs the last day of the AACC meeting.

Planning committees find planning for the Forum fun, satisfying and educational and are looking ahead to 2013. They are hoping that a representative from the Houston area will step up to join them.

Please offer your time, any suggested topics, and any suggested speakers to one of the members:

- Monica Thomas: LA, CA [ThomasM@CSHS.ORG]
- Richard Lebo: SC [Rlebo@lfsus@jnj.com]
- Edwina Szlag: Emory Health Care, FL
- Ann Snyder: CMS, Baltimore, MD [Ann.Snyder@cms.hhs.gov]
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- Karen Jenkins: Emory Health Care, Atlanta GA [Karen.Jenkins@emoryhealthcare.org]





## **Attention CPOCT Members: Announcing a New Benefit Exclusive, First Choice of Housing at the Annual Meeting**

We want our members to have the first choice of hotels in Los Angeles. That's why we are giving members exclusive access to our housing service before anyone else. If you plan to attend the 2012 Annual Meeting in Los Angeles, book your hotel now to ensure that your first choice is available.

This is a new benefit for 2012!

**Member-exclusive access will be available until March 31st.**

Visit the web page below and make your reservation today!

[www.aacc.org/events/2012am/hotel\\_travel/pages/default.aspx#](http://www.aacc.org/events/2012am/hotel_travel/pages/default.aspx#)

## **Coming in the Next, Pre-Conference Issue of Critical Points...**

The Winner of the 2012 POCC of the Year  
2012 Best Abstract and Research Awards  
POCT Program Available at the Annual Meeting  
And More!



[www.aacc.org/events/online\\_progs/certificates/pages/default.aspx](http://www.aacc.org/events/online_progs/certificates/pages/default.aspx)

**From the Division Chair**

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I hope you all will mark your calendars and plan to attend these CPOCT Division activities at the Annual Meeting of the AACC. The POCC Forum is celebrating its 10th annual meeting with a focus on coagulation. Two topics will be reviewed.

The first will be an assessment of hemostasis by viscoelastic coagulation by Ann Tobin, PhD, Clinical Scientist, Technical Director, Advanced Coagulation and Core Lab, Pathology Consultants of South Broward, LLP and Memorial Healthcare System, Hollywood, FL.

Ellen Klapper, MD will present the second topic, POC coagulation in transfusion medicine. Dr. Klapper is the Medical Director, Division of Transfusion Medicine and POCT at Cedars Sinai Medical Center, Los Angeles, California.

Our Division holds an international symposium every other year on critical and point-of-care testing issues. The next one is scheduled for October 4-6, 2012 in Prague, Czech Republic. Abstracts for this meeting are due May 1, 2012.

Program information is available at [www.aacc.org](http://www.aacc.org).

This brief outline describes the major events for 2012 which will also include awarding the Point-of-Care Coordinator of the year at the Annual Meeting. Enjoy these and other activities planned by the CPOCT Division of AACC for 2012.

Sincerely,



Frederick L. Kiechle, MD, PhD  
Chair, CPOCT Division

# SAVE THE DATE

## CPOCT Mixer

**July 17, 2012**

**CPOCT Annual Membership Meeting and Mixer**

**5:30 – 8:00 pm**



**JW Marriott  
Hotel  
Los Angeles at  
LA LIVE**



**Gold Ballroom  
Salons 1 and 2**



# 2012 AfterGlow

Los Angeles  
July 17 during the  
AACC Annual Meeting

## Lights, Action, Camera, AfterGlow!

POCC groups from around the country are proud to once again announce a special annual event for those attending the AACC conference in Los Angeles this summer.

On the heels of a successful event last year in Atlanta, and previously in Anaheim, Chicago, Washington, DC and in Orlando, we will once again provide a special party, AfterGlow, for all Point of Care Coordinators that will be in town for the conference.

The location for this event will be the same as the AACC CPOCT Mixer and POCC of the Year Award announcement in the JW Marriott Los Angeles LA LIVE.

So make plans to mingle, network and dance the night away with your POCC colleagues and peers.

**Tuesday, July 17, 2012**  
**8:00-11:00pm**

(immediately following the AACC CPOCT division awards ceremony)

RSVP Today at [http://www.pointofcare.net/AfterGlow\\_2012.htm](http://www.pointofcare.net/AfterGlow_2012.htm)