

AACB 8TH HARMONISATION WORKSHOP

1st & 2nd May 2019, Sydney NSW

Wednesday 1st May 2019

- 11:00 – 12:00** **REGISTRATION and LUNCH**
- 12:00 – 12:25** **Introduction - Dr Graham Jones**
In Memoriam: Ms Jill Tate – Dr Graham Jones & Dr Tony Badrick
- 12:25 – 14:00** **Harmonised Endocrine Dynamic Testing** (Chair: Dr Tina Yen)
1. Development of joint working party recommendations HEDT (AACB/RCPA/ESA)
– *Dr Cherie Chiang (40 min)*
 2. Update on paediatric dynamic endocrine test protocols – *Dr Tony Huynh (20 min)*
 3. Clinical impact of a single set of unified protocols across Australasia
– *A/Prof Rory Clifton-Bligh (20 min)*
 4. Open Discussion – *Dr Cherie Chiang (15 min)*
- 14:00 – 14:50** **Pregnancy Harmonisation Forum** (Chair: Dr Tina Yen)
1. Harmonised approach to thyroids in pregnancy – *Dr Shane Hamblin (20 min)*
 2. Harmonising of Architect Gestational TFT Reference Intervals by three major hospitals in Melbourne – *Prof Hans Schneider (20 min)*
 3. Closing Discussion (10mins)
- 14:50 – 15:10** **AFTERNOON TEA**
- 15:10 – 16:30** **The Process for Harmonisation and Implementation Review** (Chair: Robert Flatman)
1. Harmonisation committee roadmap - *Mr Robert Flatman (15 min)*
 2. Toolkit for determining reference intervals and harmonisation recommendations
- *Dr Gus Koerbin (20 min)*
 3. Review of past recommendations and implementation scorecard - *Dr Graham Jones (20 min)*
 4. NATA perspective on harmonisation recommendations – *Mr Andy Griffin (20 min)*
 5. Closing discussion (5 min)
- 16:30 – 16:40** **Short break** (to summarise session outcomes)
- 16:40 – 16:50** **Closing review** (*Dr Graham Jones*)
- 16:50 – 17:00** **Vale Howard Morris** (*Peter Ward*)
- 17:00 – 18:00** **NETWORKING DRINKS**
- 18:30** **Optional Dinner in Sirocco Restaurant** (for those pre booked)

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- 8:30 – 8:45** **Review and plan for day** (*Dr Graham Jones*)
- 8:45 – 10:30** **Harmonisation of Hormone Immunoassays** (Chair: Dr Tina Yen)
- Thyroid Function Tests**
1. Harmonisation of adult TFT reference intervals - can we realistically achieve method specific harmonisation? – *Dr Tina Yen (15 min)*
 2. Performance of TSH, FT4 and FT3 assays - analytical justification for HRI - *Dr Graham Jones, Dr Gus Koerbin, Ms Maxine Reed (15 min)*
 3. S-TFT IFCC WG in Barcelona – *Mr Peter Ward (10min)*
 4. Open discussion (*5 min*)
- Cortisol, Pituitary, Reproductive**
5. GH, IGF-1 and macroprolactin projects – update – *Ms Lyn Boscato (30 min)*
 6. Cortisol immunoassays – What are the method-specific cut-offs for dex suppression and synacthen – *Mr Greg Ward (15 min)*
 7. PCOS – Guideline document 2018 – *A/Prof Graham Jones (15 min)*
- 10:30 – 10:50** **MORNING TEA**
- 10.50 – 12:30** **Arterial and Venous Blood Gas Reference Intervals** (Chair: Dr Gus Koerbin)
1. Introduction, 2018 review, latest news – *Dr Rita Horvath (5 min)*
 2. Arterial and cord blood gas recommendations – *Ms Maxine Reed, Dr Leah Ha (20 min)*
 3. Venous blood gas recommendations – *Ms Kirsty Ress (10 min)*
 4. Venous blood gas Bhattacharya analysis – *Dr Jason Chung (15 min)*
 5. Pre and Post analytical considerations – *Dr Rita Horvath (10 min)*
 6. Transferability of reference intervals across analysers – *Dr Jason Chung (20 min)*
 7. Closing discussion (*20 min*)
- 12:30 – 13:15** **LUNCH**
- 13:15 – 14:15** **Update Reports** (Chair: Dr Graham Jones)
1. Standards for Pathology Informatics in Australia and the PITUS Project – *Prof Michael Legg (25 min)*
 2. Monoclonal gammopathy multi-disciplinary WP – *Dr Louise Weinholt (20 min)*
 3. RCPA Troponin Working Party – Formation and Goals – *Dr Christina Trambas (15 min)*
- 14:15 – 15:15** **KIMMS Program for Critical Results Management** (Chair: Dr Rita Horvath)
1. Introduction – *Dr Que Lam (5 min)*
 2. KIMMS program for critical results management – *Dr Que Lam (25 min)*
 3. Introduction – Harmonisation alert thresholds project – *Dr Que Lam (5 min)*
 4. Harmonised alert thresholds research project – *Mr Wilson Punyalack (20 min)*
 5. Open discussion (*5 min*)
- 15:15 – 15:30** **AFTERNOON TEA**
- 15:30 – 16:10** **Implementation Check - “For Action” Reminder** (*Dr Graham Jones, Scribes: Maxine Reed, Dr Gus Koerbin*)
Final Summary and review of implementation recommendations
- 16:10 – 16:30** **CLOSING** (*Dr Graham Jones*)