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PHILIPPINE COUNCIL FOR QUALITY ASSURANCE IN CLINICAL LABORATORIES (PCQACL)

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SEMINAR – WORKSHOP ON PERIPHERAL BLOOD SMEAR: STANDARDIZATION, UPDATES, AND MORPHOLOGY REVIEW

March 9, 2020 8:00 am – 5:00 pm
Crowne Plaza Galleria, Manila

Course Description:

Peripheral blood smear is an important part of the diagnostic work-up for patients. It is a basic and simple test to perform and available in most laboratories. However, it relies heavily on the skill and ability of the reader to recognize the normal and abnormal forms of blood cells. It also requires good knowledge of clinical data available and the capacity to correlate these data together with other tests such as automated CBC with red cell indices or iron studies. One of the challenges lies in the marked variation in the interpretation of smears all over the country, together with the need to improve the skills of the readers.

This seminar workshop is especially designed for medical technologists, pathology trainees, doctors from other specialties and pathologists who perform interpretation of peripheral blood smears. The invited Hematopathologists will share their knowledge and expertise on how to properly read a blood smear starting from the right slide preparation up to reporting. The topics shall also cover review of the spectrum from normal to atypical or dysplastic to abnormal blood cells.

Course Objectives

1. To be able to give the proper guidelines on the correct slide preparation.
2. To give a comprehensive review of the morphology of blood cells from normal to abnormal.
3. To be able to give practical tips on how to recognize abnormal blood cells.
4. To impart the importance of clinical and test correlations.
5. To share the international standardized the reporting of peripheral blood smears.

Course Outline

- Part 1: Smear Preparation
- Part II: Blood Cells
 - A. Red Blood Cells
 - B. Lymphocytes
 - C. Monocytes
 - D. Plasma Cells
 - E. Neutrophils
 - F. Basophils
 - G. Eosinophils
 - H. Platelets
- Part III: Reporting
- Part IV: Trouble Shooting

Who Can Participate

- Laboratory Head Pathologists
- Hematology section Head Pathologists
- Hematology section Head Medical Technologists
- Laboratory Supervisors
- Pathology Resident Trainees

Registration Fees

	Pre-registration Until March 2, 2020	On-site Registration After March 2, 2020
Member Rate	Php 2,500	Php 3,000
Regular Rate	Php 3,000	Php 3,500

Please visit <https://pcqacl.org> for registration details.

PROGRAMME

7:00-8:00	Registration
8:00-8:10	Invocation Philippine National Anthem
8:10-8:15	Opening Remarks: Emil Bryan M. Garcia, MD, FPSP PCQAAC President
8:15-8:30	Leveling of Expectations and Introduction of Participants Marissa A. Orillaza, MD, MSCE, FPSP Chairperson, Committee on Continuing Education, Training, and Research
8:30-9:30	Part 1: Start Right with a Good Smear

Part 2: Red Blood Cell Disorder

Arvin C. Faundo MD, FPSP

Head, Section of Hematology
Department of Pathology & Laboratory Services
Asian Hospital & Medical Center

9:30 – 9:45 Coffee Break / Open Forum

9:45- 10:45 **Part 1: White Blood Cells**
Lymphocytes, Monocytes, and Plasma Cells

Alejandro E. Arevalo, MD, FPSP

Hematopathologist
The Medical City

10:45-11:45 **Part 2: White Blood Cells**
Neutrophils, Eosinophils and Basophils
Januario D, Veloso, MD,FPSP
Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine
National Kidney & Transplant Institute

11:45-12:00 **Open Forum**

12:00-1:00 **LUNCH BREAK**

1:00 -2:00 **Part 1: Platelets**
Part 2: Helpful Tips and Recommendations on Final Report
Rose Lou Marie C. Agbay, MD, FPSP
Consultant Director, Section of Molecular Pathology
Department of Laboratory Medicine and Pathology
The Medical City

2:00 -3:00 **How to resolve discrepancies in Manual and Automated Cell Counts**
Janelyn Alexis Dy -Ledesma
Hematopathologist, Department of Pathology
UERM Medical Center

3:00-3:15 Coffee Break / Open Forum

3:15-4:15 **Exercises**

4:15-5:00 **Closing Ceremonies**