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**The Association of Clinical
Biochemists National Meeting
ExCeL, London Docklands, UK**



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An Invitation to Focus 2001

The first National Scientific Meeting of the Association of Clinical Biochemists of the new millennium will be held in London. The new purpose-built conference and exhibition centre, ExCel, will provide state of the art facilities in a unique waterside setting in the heart of London Docklands. With cafes, bars and restaurants and overlooking a waterfront promenade, ExCel will provide a relaxing 'Covent-Garden' atmosphere for the Association's first ever national meeting in London.

Award winning transport facilities will bring delegates to the door of ExCel by train (Docklands Light Railway and the Jubilee Line Extension), by plane (City Airport) or by automobile. Conference hotels will be provided both on-site and at nearby Canary Wharf allowing delegates to experience this new-born heart of London.

The *focus* of this year's meeting will be Nutrition and the Scientific Programme Organising Committee has produced a splendid selection of Plenary lectures, Symposia and Workshops. Exploring new and evolving aspects of this topic such as genetically modified foods, dietary modulation by genetic expression and the effects of dietary supplements in sport together with emerging analytical technologies, it promises much. The programme also includes related symposia in immunology, molecular genetics and haematology and will celebrate the 30th anniversary of the Bayer Award, previously the Ames Medal Award.

London is without doubt the entertainment capital of the world and the Social programme will reflect many typical tourist opportunities. Take a flight on the London Eye and see the whole of London and the Home Counties spread out before you; take a guided walk through the Whitechapel haunts of Jack the Ripper and learn more than you might wish to about anatomy and dissection; lose your shirt at the dogs or visit a West End show. And don't miss the Conference Banquet at The Brewery, a venue that has provided hospitality on the same site since 1749 when Samuel Whitbread started the brewing dynasty which bears his name there. The Porter Tun room, built in 1782 and famous for its magnificent 'King Post' timber roof spans over 60ft and was so renowned that even King George and Queen Charlotte visited in 1787!

How Docklands has changed since as Charles Dickens put it "there might be seen pictures of ships speeding away full sail to all parts of the world"; since stevedores sat on bags of blue asbestos from Canada; since children played shoeless on derelict bomb sites.

We look forward to welcoming you all to this revitalised heart of London, to Docklands and to ExCel for our premiere scientific meeting, Focus 2001.

Michael Thomas



Michael Thomas
Chairman, Focus 2001



Focus 2001 Events

Training Day - Monday 30th April (09.00-16.00)

This day is organised by the ACB Education Committee and has proven very popular with those studying for examinations. There will be a combined session for all Trainees on the Diabetes - National Service Framework, then the Trainees will be divided into two groups according to their experience: Sessions will be held for those that are immediately pre-MRCPATH and have more than 3 years experience; the second group will be designed for the more junior trainees. Topics this year are:

- Diabetes – National Service Framework
- Renal Function
- Toxicology
- Biological Variation and Reference Ranges

Management and Update Sessions Monday 30th April (13.00-16.00)

Update

These popular sessions are designed for more senior members of the profession who wish to update their professional knowledge. Two sessions will be held covering the following topics:

- U1 Toxicology and How to Give Clinical Advice
- U2 Intensive Care Unit Biochemistry

Management

Run in parallel with the Update sessions. These are popular activities and early booking is recommended since numbers are limited. Two sessions will be held:

- M1 Establishment of Quality Management Systems
- M2 Preparation of Business Cases

Plenary Sessions and Symposia

A full diverse scientific programme has been organised. There is a strong emphasis on Nutrition and Laboratory Medicine, which is reflected in the theme of the Plenary Lectures, but this does not preclude the latest developments and technological advances in Clinical Biochemistry. In addition, we once again have extended the Scientific Programme to include Haematology, Molecular Genetics and

Immunology. The ACB is honoured to be hosting the annual Kohn and Flynn Lectures of the Royal College of Pathologists. The Transatlantic Lecture of the AACC, Roche Award Lecture, Konelab Award Lectures and our ACB Foundation Award provide outstanding, internationally renowned speakers. Full details are included in this brochure.

Workshops (08.15-09.15 and 12.30-13.30)

These essential discussion sessions bring together groups of people with similar interests and future problems, under the stewardship of an experienced convenor. This year we have arranged some as Morning Workshops and have complemented the programme with some Afternoon Workshops to cater for those who may be travelling daily to the meeting. A charge of £10 per workshop will be levied.

Reviews (08.15-09.15)

Slightly more structured than workshops, the Review Sessions have proved popular with those wishing to gain knowledge of specialised areas of Clinical Biochemistry. They are conducted in a tutorial type forum. A charge of £20 per review will be levied.



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Focus 2001 Events continued

Oral Presentations

There will be 2 sessions for Oral Presentations. Any delegate can submit papers for consideration for the Oral Presentations. In addition, there will be the Bayer Award for which abstracts from ACB Members under the age of 35 years will be considered for this prestigious prize now in its 30th anniversary year.

Poster Sessions

Posters will be displayed by category on each of the three full-day sessions. Specialised Poster Topics will be arranged to coincide with the relevant scientific programme days. Presenting authors will be required to be in attendance at their posters between 13.30 and 14.15 on the day of display. For submission of posters please see Pages 11 and 12. DPC will award two bursaries for posters of analytical importance for the authors to continue their research.

All poster abstracts will be refereed anonymously.

Published Abstracts

Abstracts which have been accepted for presentation at the meeting will be published in the Proceedings of the National Meeting of the Association of Clinical Biochemists.



Bayer Award

This prestigious Award, in its thirtieth anniversary year, is an award made on the basis of an oral communication presented by a Member of the Association under 35 years of age at the time of the competition. The winner receives a Silver Medal and a cheque for £500. Entrants should submit abstracts for this Award via the web or on the Abstract Submission Form and indicate that their abstract be considered for this event.

Professors' Prize

Sponsored by the UK Heads of the Academic Departments of Clinical Biochemistry, this award is for an outstanding scientific contribution to Clinical Chemistry by a person under 40 years of age.

Associated Specialist Symposia

The Local Organising Committee has organised high quality symposia in the related laboratory medicine disciplines of Haematology, Immunology and Molecular Genetics.

Focus 2001 Exhibition

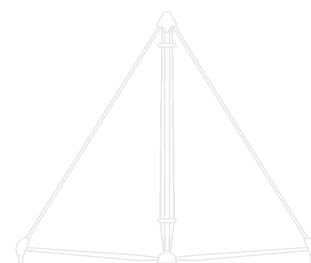
The Focus 2001 Exhibition will be held close to the lecture theatres in ExCel, the brand new Conference and Exhibition facility in the regenerated London Docklands.

AGMs

The Annual General Meetings of the Association of Clinical Biochemists and the Federation of Clinical Scientists will be held on Monday 30th April.

CPD Accreditation

Focus 2001 will be fully accredited for CPD schemes of the Royal College of Pathologists and the Institute of Biomedical Science. Full details will be published later.





Social Events

Monday

A. Corporate Members' Evening

Meet old friends and make new ones while enjoying the hospitality of the Conference Exhibitors. There will be a variety of entertainments to suit everyone. This informal opening event is a great way to start Focus 2001.

Tuesday

B. Greyhound Racing

Enjoy an evening at the races! Relax with friends in the restaurant overlooking the track and have a gamble on a four-legged friend.

C. Jack the Ripper Haunts

Follow in the footsteps of London's most infamous murderer. Inspect the murder sites, sift through the evidence – in all its gory detail – and get to grips with the main suspects. Afterwards, steady your nerves with a drink and a meal and try to forget the walking nightmare.

D. Disney's, The Lion King

Enjoy an evening in the West End. Tickets are limited. Evening meal not included.

E. Dinner in Hotel

For those not taking part in any of the social events.

Wednesday

F. Fly the London Eye

Your journey takes you skyward on British Airways London Eye, the tallest observation wheel in the world. The 30 minute rotation in fully enclosed glass capsules, offers you unrivalled panoramic views and new perspectives of London's famous landmarks.

G. Along the Thames, Pub Walk

Visit London's last remaining galleried coaching inn, its best riverside walkway, its oldest market and the finest art nouveau pub in England. Plus lashings of Shakespeare, Dickens and more pubs.

H. The Witches of Eastwick

Enjoy an evening in the West End. Tickets are limited. Evening meal not included.

J-N. Sporting Events

Wednesday evening is traditionally reserved for Focus sporting events. This year we are offering Golf (sponsored by Olympus), Squash, Five-a-Side Football, Swimming (sponsored by Beckman) and Ten Pin Bowling.

O. Dinner in Hotel

For those not taking part in any of the social events.

Thursday

P. Conference Banquet

The traditional Focus final night activity. This will be a formal affair held in The Brewery, in the heart of the City of London. Black Tie recommended.



Scientific Programme

Monday 30th April

- 09.00 - 16.00 Training Day**
 Diabetes: National Service Framework
 Renal function
 Toxicology
 Biological variation and reference ranges
- 13.00 - 16.00 Update Sessions**
 U1 Toxicology and how to give clinical advice
 U2 Intensive care unit biochemistry
- 13.00 - 16.00 Management Sessions**
 M1 Establishment of quality management systems
 M2 Preparation of business cases

Tuesday 1st May

- 08.15 - 09.15 Reviews (R) and Morning Workshops (W)**
- R1 Quality control master class
Dr E Kearney, London
- R2 National poisons service
Dr G Volans, London
- W1 New markers of bone metabolism
Dr P A Kyd, London
- W2 Enzyme studies in the diagnosis of inborn errors of metabolism
Dr A H Fensom, London
- W3 Markers of DNA damage
Professor J Lunec, Leicester
- W4 Renal stones
Dr M Lapsley, London
- W5 Laboratory statistics
Dr G S Challand, Reading
- 09.30 - 10.30 Opening Ceremony**
AACC Transatlantic Lecture
 Dietary modulation of genetic expression
Dr R W Hart, USA
- 11.00 - 12.30 Parallel Sessions**
Nutritional Aspects of Bone Metabolism
 Calcium and vitamin D
Dr A Prentice, Cambridge
 Trace elements
Dr S New, Guildford
 Sodium, phosphate and protein
Professor R Eastell, Sheffield
- New Tools in Clinical Biochemistry**
 Aptamers
Speaker to be confirmed
 Optical biosensors
Dr R Narayanaswamy, Manchester
 Non-invasive technology
Professor M A Arnold, USA

Oral Presentations

Selected from abstracts

12.30 - 13.30 Afternoon Workshops

- W6 Porphyrias
Dr A G Deacon, London
- W7 Heterophylic antibodies
Dr C M Sturgeon, Edinburgh
- W8 Trace elements
Dr A P Taylor, Guildford
- W9 Diagnosis of diabetes mellitus
Dr E J Lamb, Canterbury
- W10 Health technology assessment
Professor C P Price, London

14.15 - 15.00 Flynn Lecture

Therapeutic Opportunities for Inborn Errors of Metabolism
Professor T Cox, Cambridge

15.15 - 16.45 Parallel Sessions

Testing Outside the Laboratory

Testing in hospitals
Dr D B Freedman, Luton
 Testing in primary care
Professor R Jones, London
 Testing at home
Dr D R Collins, Hemel Hempstead

Immunology Seminar

HLA derived peptides and autoimmune diseases
Professor H Baum, London
Professor D Vergani (title to be confirmed)
Professor A Hayday (title to be confirmed)

Wednesday 2nd May

- 08.15 - 09.15 Reviews (R) and Morning Workshops (W)**
- R3 Renal function tests
Dr D J Newman, London
- R4 Analysis of CSF
Dr R Beetham, Bristol
- W11 Hypoglycaemia
Dr J D Teale, Guildford
- W12 Alpha 1-antitrypsin
Professor N A Kalsheker
- W13 Macroprolactin
Dr M N Fahie-Wilson
- W14 Biochemical diagnosis of menopause
Dr C E Gray, Glasgow
- W15 Homocysteine
Dr F M Carragher, Edinburgh
- 09.30 - 10.15 Roche Diagnostics Award Lecture**
 Biology and Diagnostic Applications of Plasma Nucleic Acids
Professor D Lo, Hong Kong
- 10.45 - 12.15 Parallel Sessions**
Mass Spectrometry in Clinical Biochemistry
 Analytical mass spectrometry: techniques, application and limitations
Dr R N Dalton, London



Mass spectrometry in inherited disorders
Dr G Krywort, London
Mass spectrometry in the measurement of drugs and metabolites
Dr D W Holt, London

Metabolic and Endocrine Effects of Illness

Metabolic changes in critical illness
Professor A Little, Manchester
Endocrine effects
Dr D Treacher, London
Modifying metabolic response to critical illness
Dr C J Hinds, London

Oral Presentations

Selected from abstracts

12.30 - 13.30 Afternoon Workshops

- W16 Evidence-based laboratory methods
Dr I C Barnes, Leeds
- W17 Monoclonal gammopathies
Dr Y Foo, London
- W18 Markers of inflammation
Dr R A Sherwood, London
- W19 Laboratory blunders
Dr M Thomas, London
- W20 Gut hormones
Dr L R Ranganath, Liverpool

14.15 - 15.00 Professors' Prize Lecture

15.15 - 16.45 Parallel Sessions

Endocrinology
Polycystic ovarian syndrome
Professor S Franks, London
Adrenal disorders
Dr P Trainer, Manchester
Diabetes
Professor S Amiel, London

Haematology Seminar
Future trends in blood transfusion
Professor M Contreras, London
Diagnosis of B12 and folate deficiencies
Professor S N Wickramasinghe, Oxford
Homocysteine and coagulation
Professor G D O Lowe, Glasgow

Thursday 3rd May

08.15 - 09.15 Reviews (R) and Morning Workshops (W)

- R5 Cytokines
Dr J Sheldon, London
- R6 Tumour markers
Dr M J Duffy, Dublin
- W21 How to review a scientific paper
Mr S P Halloran, Guildford
- W22 Paediatric endocrinology
Dr R M Ayling, London
- W23 Glycated haemoglobins
Dr E S Kilpatrick, Hull
- W24 Assessment of growth hormone deficiency
Dr P J Wood, Southampton
- W25 Adenosine deaminase in the diagnosis of tuberculosis
Dr J Duley, London

09.30 - 10.15 Kohn Memorial Lecture

Circulatory rhythms in physiology and pathophysiology
Professor D-J Djek, Guildford

10.45 - 12.15 Parallel Sessions

Nutrition and Chronic Diseases

Hypertension
Dr C MacGregor, London
Cancer
Professor C J Mather, Newcastle-upon-Tyne
Cardiovascular Disorders
Professor G A A Ferns, Guildford

Molecular Genetics Symposium

Molecular genetics service in the UK
Dr R Elles, Manchester
Genetics of familial cancer
Dr F MacDonald, Birmingham
Genetics of phenylketonuria and galactosaemia
Dr L Tyfield, Bristol

Bayer Award Presentations

Selected from abstracts

12.30 - 13.30 Afternoon Workshops

- W26 Use of stable isotopes
Dr M Umpleby, London
- W27 Metabolic bone diseases: cases
Dr C F Moniz, London
- W28 Partnership in laboratory medicine
Dr D J Wright, London
- W29 Measurement of fat soluble vitamins
Dr J L Barron, London
- W30 Steroid profiles
Dr N F Taylor, London

14.15 - 15.00 Konelab Award Lecture

Genetically modified food
Dr H Kuiper, The Netherlands

15.15 - 16.45 Parallel Sessions

Purines and Pyrimidines in Clinical Biochemistry

Inherited disorders
Dr A Simmonds, London
Purine analogues
Dr A Van Gennip, The Netherlands
Purines and renal disorders
Professor S Cameron, London

Drugs and Toxicology

Pesticides and insecticides
Dr A W M Hay, Leeds
Mercury and other metal poisons
Dr V Murray, London
Recreational drugs
Professor J Henry, London

Friday 4th May

09.15 - 10.15 ACB Foundation Award Lecture

Iron metabolism and its disorders
Professor T J Peters, London

10.30 - 12.00 Drugs, Nutrition and Sport

Hormone abuse in sport
Dr M J Wheeler, London
Detection of drugs in sport
Professor D Cowan, London
Nutritional supplements in sport
Dr P Greenhalf, Nottingham



Travel and Contacts

London has excellent transport links to the whole of Great Britain, Europe and North America. ExCel is situated in the regenerated London Docklands, and is easily accessible from Central London by Tube/Docklands Light Railway.

By Air

City airport is 5 minutes away by taxi or shuttle bus, and has a network of scheduled flights from around the UK and Europe. London's main airports are easily accessible via the transport infrastructure. Budget flights from around the UK and Europe into Stansted and Luton airports make getting to London a cheap option if plans are made in advance.

By Rail

Main line trains arriving in London link into the Underground/DLR network and allow delegates to be at ExCel within 30 minutes. Custom House station on the DLR is adjacent to the entrance of ExCel.

By Road

The road network around ExCel allows delegates easy access from all parts of the UK.

Useful Contacts

Focus 2001 Meeting Office

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Docklands Travel Hotline Tel: +44 (0) 20 7918 4000

London Travel Information Tel: +44 (0) 20 7222 1234

Guidelines for completion of registration form

Individual Registration is available on line via www.focus-acb.org. In this case registration requires a credit card number, submitted over a secure internet site. The total payment will be collected from the credit card on or shortly after 1st April 2001.

The form opposite may be used for individual delegate bookings only (not to be used for Corporate bookings), with a variety of payment options. The total payment will be processed on or shortly after 1st April 2001.

Registration Fees

Full Week Combined Registration and Accommodation: This includes admission to the Scientific Programme and Exhibition, entitlement to book for Workshops and Special Sessions, coffee, tea, hotel accommodation (bed and breakfast) in either budget or standard accommodation as chosen by the delegate, social programme including evening meals as indicated (some minor supplements are indicated) and the Conference Banquet. Single and shared rooms are available in standard accommodation and single rooms in budget accommodation. Rooms will be allocated on a first come, first served basis.

Non-resident full week rate: This includes admission to the Scientific Programme and Exhibition, entitlement to book for Workshops and other special events, coffee and tea. Evening events may be booked at additional cost.

Part-week Registration/Day Rates and Accommodation: Delegates attending for part of the week or for single days must indicate separately their registration and accommodation requirements. Day registration includes admission to the Scientific Programme and Exhibition, entitlement to book for that day's Workshops, Reviews or special sessions, coffee and tea. The daily accommodation fee includes the evening function (some supplements may apply) for the night of the booked accommodation and bed and breakfast.

ACB Members Rates: Subsidised registration rates are available to members, as indicated on the Booking Information.

Non ACB Members: To enable non-members to participate in the meeting, Temporary Members' rates are given. Temporary Members will not be entitled to registration discounts or subsidies applicable to other categories of membership.

Guests: A guest is entitled to subsidised rates when sharing accommodation with an ACB Member, but this does not apply if they wish to attend any Scientific Session. Please use a separate registration (or make separate on-line submission) for any guests.

Cancellation: In the event of cancellation after 1st April 2001, 50% of the total fees due or paid will be retained/charged.

Late Bookings: A late booking fee of £50 per transaction is applicable to registrations received after 1st April 2001.

Focus 2001 Delegate Registration Form

You can register on-line at www.focus-acb.org. This form is for individual delegates only and is not to be used for Corporate bookings. Delegates and guests should complete one form (or photocopy) each. Please refer to the guidelines on page 6 before completing the form.

Your details (please ✓ appropriate boxes)

Are you an ACB Member Membership No Male Female

Title: Prof Dr Mr Mrs Miss Ms Other

Family Name: Forename:

Dept: Hospital/Company, etc:

Address:

. Post Code:

Tel No: Fax No: Email:

Category: Delegate Invited Speaker Workshop Presenter Guest Other

Any special requirements (e.g.: Dietary)

Accommodation & Registration Options (please circle appropriate accommodation)

Resident full week (for whole week Monday April 30th - Friday May 4th)
(Please circle required accommodation and enter total in box)

	ACB Member		Temporary Member		Amount
	Share	Single	Share	Single	
Budget	N/A	£645	N/A	£695	
Standard	£595	£770	£645	£820	£ <input type="text"/>

If sharing, please provide name of sharer Are you a smoker?
(this individual must be staying the same nights or a sharer of the same sex will be allocated to you)

Non-resident full week

ACB Member £255 Temporary Member £285 £

Day Registration (Circle days required and enter total amount in end column)

	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Amount
ACB Member	£85	£85	£85	£45	£ <input type="text"/>
Temporary Member	£95	£95	£95	£55	£ <input type="text"/>

Accommodation (Circle nights required and enter amount in end column, includes Evening Social Event for nights booked, supplements may apply)

	Sunday		Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday	
	Share	Single	Share	Single	Share	Single	Share	Single	Share	Single
Budget	N/A	£102	N/A	£77	N/A	£102	N/A	£102	N/A	£152
Standard	£90	£135	£65	£110	£90	£135	£90	£135	£140	£185
Subtotal										£ <input type="text"/>

Workshop/Review Bookings

Fees: Workshops £10 each. Reviews £20 each. Please enter code from scientific programme

Tuesday AM	1st choice	<input type="text"/>	2nd choice	<input type="text"/>
Tuesday PM	1st choice	<input type="text"/>	2nd choice	<input type="text"/>
Wednesday AM	1st choice	<input type="text"/>	2nd choice	<input type="text"/>
Wednesday PM	1st choice	<input type="text"/>	2nd choice	<input type="text"/>
Thursday AM	1st choice	<input type="text"/>	2nd choice	<input type="text"/>
Thursday PM	1st choice	<input type="text"/>	2nd choice	<input type="text"/>
Subtotal				£ <input type="text"/>

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Additional Sessions Booking

Booking for Training Day on Monday 30th April 2001 (closing date 9th March 2001)

Fee: £50. Please complete the following details:

Present Position Qualifications

Length of time in Clinical Chemistry Exams to be taken

Update/Management Sessions on Monday 30th April 2001

Please required sessions and enter subtotal into box. Fee £20 each.

I wish to attend: Update Session U1 OR Management Session M1
 Update Session U2 OR Management Session M2

Subtotal £

Social Programme Booking

All delegates must book for all the events that they wish to attend, including the Corporate Members' Evening and the Conference Banquet. All social events will be run subject to adequate numbers; some of the popular events, such as the theatre visits, have limited availability and early booking is advised. Delegates are advised that if they are uncertain of their social arrangements on Tuesday or Wednesday evening then they should opt for dinner in their hotel. No Shows often spoil the atmosphere for others!

Day	Event	Ref	Choice please <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Supplement for Resident Delegates	Supplement for Non-Resident Delegates
Monday	Corporate Members' evening	A	<input type="checkbox"/>	NIL	NIL
Tuesday	Greyhound Racing	B	<input type="checkbox"/>	NIL	£20
	OR Jack the Ripper Haunts	C	<input type="checkbox"/>	NIL	£20
	OR Disney: The Lion King	D	<input type="checkbox"/>	£17.50	£27.50
	OR Dinner in hotel	E	<input type="checkbox"/>	NIL	£20
Wednesday	Fly the London Eye	F	<input type="checkbox"/>	NIL	£20
	OR Along the Thames, Pub Walk	G	<input type="checkbox"/>	NIL	£20
	OR The Witches of Eastwick	H	<input type="checkbox"/>	£17.50	£27.50
	OR Golf	J	<input type="checkbox"/>	NIL	£20
	OR Squash	K	<input type="checkbox"/>	NIL	£20
	OR 5-a-side Football	L	<input type="checkbox"/>	NIL	£20
	OR Swimming	M	<input type="checkbox"/>	NIL	£20
	OR Ten Pin Bowling	N	<input type="checkbox"/>	NIL	£20
	OR Dinner in hotel	O	<input type="checkbox"/>	NIL	£20
Thursday	Conference Banquet	P	<input type="checkbox"/>	NIL	£75

Subtotal £

Payment

(Cheques payable to: 'Association of Clinical Biochemists')

Total Registration & Accommodation fees	£
Workshop/Review fees	£
Additional Sessions fees	£
Social Programme fees	£
Late Booking Fee (£50 per transaction after 1.4.01)	£
Total due by 6.4.2001	£

Credit Card Details

Access or Visa Card No:

Expiry Date:
 (This must be after 1.4.01)

Name:

Address:

Signature:

Please return the completed form to:

Focus 2001 Registrations, PO Box 409, Cambridge CB1 4QD

Abstract Submission Form

Name & Title of Presenting Author (who may be the presenting author on only two abstracts)

Address for Correspondence

Tel No:

Fax No:

Additional Authors (maximum 6)

Title and Abstract (separated by single line space)

Topic Code:

Use this form
only if you are unable
to submit your abstract
electronically via
www.focus-acb.org

This form may be photocopied

Please read the rules
carefully before submission

Please indicate if you **do not** want your abstract to be considered for Oral Presentation.

Please indicate if you wish your abstract to be considered for the Bayer Award (ACB members under 35 years).

Admin use only

MS No:

Reg No:

Poster No:

Please return the completed abstract form to:

Focus 2001 Registrations, PO Box 409, Cambridge CB1 4QD by 12th January 2001



Guidelines for Submission of Abstracts

Abstracts should be received on or before 12th January 2001

All presenting authors must register as delegates for Focus 2001.

The preferred method of abstract submission is electronically via the web site www.focus-acb.org (please only submit abstracts once, in case of difficulties please telephone +44 (0) 1223 516103.)

Alternatively, you can submit your typed abstract on the form on page 11 to Focus 2001, PO Box 409, Cambridge CB1 4GD. Faxed submissions will not be accepted.

The title must not exceed 20 words and the text should be no more than 200 words. Figures and tables should not be included in the abstract.

Abstracts must:

- State the specific aim of the study.
- State methods used, if pertinent.
- Summarise results obtained.
- State conclusions reached.

Statements such as 'data will be presented' or 'results will be discussed' may lead to rejection.

You must select one topic code from the list opposite.

All submitted abstracts will be reviewed by the Scientific Programme Organising Committee whose decision is final. Authors will be notified of acceptance by February 23rd, 2001. Detailed instructions on oral and poster presentations will be sent out with acceptance letters.

Abstracts will be published in the Proceedings of the National Meeting of the Association of Clinical Biochemists.

Topic categories and codes

Clinical	
Bone disease	BON
Cardiovascular	CVS
Diabetes	DIA
Endocrinology	END
Gut	GUT
Liver	LIV
Nutrition	NUT
Paediatrics	PAE
Renal disease	REN
Acute medicine	ACM
Biochemical	
Carbohydrates	CHO
Proteins/Enzymes	PEN
Lipids	LIP
Molecular Biochemistry	MOL
Hormones	HOR
Proteomics	PRO
Toxicology/TDM	TOX
Trace elements	TRE
Tumour markers	TUM
Cytokines	CYT
Analytical	
Methods	MET
Instrumentation	INS
Extra-laboratory testing	EXT
Quality assurance	QUA
Haematology	HAE
Molecular Genetics	GEN
Immunology	IMM
Audit	AUD
Management	MAN
Computing	COM
Case histories	CAS
Miscellaneous	MIS

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