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## **CHALLENGES POSED BY NOSOCOMIAL PATHOGENS OF THE 21<sup>ST</sup> CENTURY**

**Thursday, April 19, 2007**  
**Marriott Detroit Southfield**  
**27033 Northwestern Highway**  
**Southfield, MI 48033**

Increasing multi-drug resistance among nosocomial pathogens prevalent today coupled with an increasing population of immuno-compromised patients pose significant clinical challenges. Microbiology laboratories must service clinicians with the ability to test different organism groups, optimize resistance detection and provide MIC values to target therapy in the critically ill. The need to streamline AST algorithms while maintaining versatility is crucial so that accurate and timely results can be used to save hospitals costs while improving the quality of life. Interaction between the microbiologist, clinical pharmacist, infectious disease specialist and clinician as well as hospital administrators are mandatory to help PROMOTE THE RATIONAL USE OF ANTIBIOTICS.

### **PROGRAM**

<b>Coffee, registration and introduction</b>	08.30 – 09.00
<b>1. Challenges posed by <i>C. difficile</i> and other anaerobes: MIC testing to impact therapy?</b> Ken Van Horn, PhD, Focus Diagnostics, Inc., Cypress, CA	09.00 – 09.40
<b>2. Multi-drug resistance in Gram- negatives: testing needs and treatment options in ICU</b> Gerald Denys, PhD, Clarian Health Partners, Inc., Indianapolis, IN	09.50 – 10.30
<b>3. Management of <i>Candida</i> infections: On-site antifungal susceptibility testing needs</b> Ken Van Horn, PhD, Focus Diagnostics, Inc., Cypress, CA	10.40 – 11.20
<b>Lunch</b>	11.30 – 12.00
<b>4. MRSA, GISA/hGISA, VRSA: detection methods, MIC testing and treatment options</b> Gerald Denys, PhD, Clarian Health Partners, Inc., Indianapolis, IN	12.00 – 12.40
<b>5. Etest<sup>®</sup> for resistance detection and MIC testing of different organism groups</b> Beata Lazides, MT (ASCP), AB BIODISK North America, Inc.	12.50 – 01.20
<b>6. Questions and answers: panel discussion</b> Gerald Denys, PhD, Ken Van Horn, PhD and Beata Lazides	01.30 – 02.00

AB BIODISK is an approved provider of continuing education programs in the clinical laboratory sciences by the ASCLS P.A.C.E<sup>®</sup> program. This seminar is approved for 4.0 contact hours. Refreshments and a light lunch will be served.

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### **REGISTRATION**

Please fax the registration form to AB BIODISK North America at (732) 652-0001 by April 4, 2007, as seating is limited. Your participation confirmation and more information will be sent after the April 4<sup>th</sup> deadline. Please contact Anna Ziobro at (732) 457-0408 x204 or [anna.ziobro@abbiodiskna.com](mailto:anna.ziobro@abbiodiskna.com) if you have any questions. The program may be modified depending on availability of other speakers.

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### **YOUR INFORMATION**

To help us and speakers cover areas of potential interest for your institution, we kindly ask that you fill in the information requested below:

Lab type:  Hospital  CRO  Industry  University  Private

Select applications for which Etest is used at your institution. If otherwise, please indicate the method used.

Anaerobes \_\_\_\_\_  *Enterococci* & VRE \_\_\_\_\_

Cystic fibrosis \_\_\_\_\_  Yeast \_\_\_\_\_

*Pneumococci* \_\_\_\_\_  GISA/VRSA \_\_\_\_\_

*Streptococci* \_\_\_\_\_  ESBL \_\_\_\_\_

Gram neg. non fermenters \_\_\_\_\_  Critical isolates \_\_\_\_\_

Confirmatory/Back-up testing \_\_\_\_\_

Special areas you would like covered in the seminar:

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