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POCT SATELLITE MEETING
WORLDLAB 2026



NEW DEVELOPMENT AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR POCT WITH A FOCUS ON DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

SATURDAY OCTOBER 24, 2026
VIVANTA NEW DELHI DWARKA,
DWARKA 110075, NEW DELHI

Symposium Chairs:
prof. Sverre Sandberg and prof. Rajiv R. Sinha

Programme

09:00-09:20	Registration & Coffee
09:20-09:30	Welcome and IFCC- C-POCT Updates, Sverre Sandberg (Norway)
	Session 1: Advantages of POCT in developing countries Moderators: Sverre Sandberg and Rajiv R. Sinha
09:30-09:50	Diabetes Challenges in Africa - the need for reliable POCT Annie Zemlin (South Africa)
09:50-10:10	Pandemia awareness: The development of a POC instrument that quickly can be programmed to new viruses. Report from an EU project, Sverre Sandberg (Norway)
10:10- 10:30	The use of POCT in emergency and disaster situations, Hideo Sakamoto (Japan)
10:30-11:00	Coffee Break
11:00-11:20	The role of POCT in decreasing the spread of antimicrobial resistance (AMR) in resource limited countries, Rajiv Erasmus (South Africa)
11:20-11:40	Use of geospatial analysis to optimize POCT strategies in developing countries, Gerald Kost (USA)
11:40-12:00	Discussion
12:00-13:00	Lunch
	Session 2– Artificial intelligence and POCT Moderators: Jairam Rwatani and Adil Khan
13:00-13:20	How Artificial Intelligence Can Enhance Point-of-Care Testing: Validation, Quality Assurance, Governance, and Clinical Integration, Adil Khan (USA)
13:20-13:40	AI, POCT & developing countries: a healthcare revolution at the edge?, Sohini Sengupta (India)
	IVD Session Moderators: Sverre Sandberg and Praveen Sharma
13:40 -14:00	Werfen: Hemolysis detection in whole blood samples for flagging hemolysis impacted potassium results, Prasad V. A. Pamidi (USA)

14:00 – 14:20	Roche: Beyond the Lab: Transforming Metabolic Care Where Testing Access Is Limited, Manoj Chawla
14:20 -14:40	Radiometer: From research to reality: real-world effectiveness of point-of-care testing in the emergency department, Antonio Leon (Spain)
14:40 - 15:00	Siemens: ABG Pre-Analytics: Sampling best practices and Errors
15:00 - 15:20	Controllab: Ensuring Quality in POCT: Lessons from Latin America Luiza Bottino (Brazil)
15:20-15:40	Coffee Break
	Session 3: Training and quality control Moderators: Sue Matthews and Rajiv Sinha
15:40-16:00	Right Test, Right Place, Right Time: Making POCT Work in Primary Care, Jan Verbakel (Belgium)
16:00-16:20	Quality-assured point of care testing in primary care: lessons from real world implementation in Australia, Susan Matthews (Australia)
16:20- 16:40	The POCT coordinator and POCT operators, the hard and soft skills, Przemyslaw Tomasiak (Poland)
16:40–17:00	Patient-based quality control as a practical solution in the absence of IQC and EQA in resource-limited settings, Anne Stavelin (Norway)
17:00-17:20	Quality indicators and POCT, Julie Shaw (Canada)
17:20-17:30	Discussion
	Session 4: Newer Development Moderators: Jairam Rwatani and Sohini Sengupta
17:30–17:45	CRISPR Dx: The promise and barriers of POCT, Ashok Rattan (India)
17:45-18:00	Beyond the Bedside, Point-of-Care Blood Analysis: From Rapid Results to Reliable Clinical Decisions, Deepak Parchwani, (India)
18.00-18.15	When is point of care testing worth it?, Prasenjit Mitra, (India)
18.15-18.30	Wrap-up and Conclusions, Sverre Sandberg (Norway)

General information

Official Language The official language of the Congress is English.

Registration fees

Congress registration is mandatory for all delegates. Registration fees are as follows

Early Registration fee (until 15 th September)	180 EUR
Late Registration fee	230 EUR
Onsite Registration fee (on 24 th October)	280 EUR
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