ABU DHABI INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON VITAMIN D DEFICIENCY AND HUMAN HEALTH

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Dear Colleagues,

On behalf of the scientific committee, it gives us great pleasure to invite you to “Abu Dhabi International Conference on Vitamin D Deficiency and Human Health” which is planned to be held on 16th - 17th March, 2017 at Jumeirah Etihad Towers Hotel in Abu Dhabi, UAE.

Evidence has shown that adequate levels of Vitamin D may prevent multiple bone disorders such as rickets in children; and Osteoporosis, Osteomalacia, Osteopenia, in adults. Vitamin D Deficiency is thought to be a widespread public health problem globally; being more prevalent in places with limited sun exposure and in sunny countries like United Arab Emirates and the whole of Middle East.

Despite the numerous studies about the association between vitamin D and different health outcomes, there are still controversies defining the adequate vitamin D status, daily intake and the potential adverse health consequences of its deficiency. To date, there are various reports signifying vitamin D deficiency impact in autoimmune processes, several cancers, cardiovascular diseases, obesity, metabolic syndrome, neurological disorders, and pregnancy complications; however conclusive evidence about a causal relationship is still missing.

The main theme of the conference this year is “Vitamin D Deficiency from Prevention to Treatment”. The meeting will focus on the latest research and clinical practice of vitamin D and its impact on human health throughout the life cycle. The program will include state of the art lectures on recent updates in the early detection, prevention, diagnosis and treatment of vitamin D deficiency and its role to human health.

Prominent national & international speakers and leading experts from various specialties will provide comprehensive, up-to-date, research-based answers to the most frequent questions that arise at patient’s bedside in everyday practice.

We believe this event will be an important meeting point to inspire and connect leaders, decision makers, doctors, scientists, technologists, public servants and academics to enhance the awareness, quality and safety practices to understand and prevent vitamin D deficiency of our population.

We encourage you to join us for one of the exciting events we are planning, and experience firsthand the pride we take to improve the health for our people in the UAE and the region.

We look forward to welcoming you all in March, 2017 in the magnificent city of Abu Dhabi.

This is an opportunity not to be missed!

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Conference Objectives

- Define the mechanism of Vitamin D metabolism
- Discuss the serious global problem of Vitamin D deficiency
- Diagnose Vitamin D deficiency/insufficiency
- List the indications for testing of Vitamin D
- Describe the commonly used methods for measurement of Vitamin D
- Demonstrate complications of Vitamin D deficiency
- Evaluate the correlation of multiple diseases and Vitamin D deficiency
- Describe testing and treatment of Vitamin D deficiency
- Explain recommendations for intake

Highlighted Topics Include:

- The Status of Vitamin D in Juveniles
- The Classical Role of Vitamin D
- The Non-Classical Role of Vitamin D
- The Role of Vitamin D in Respiratory Infections
- The Importance of Vitamin D in Allergic Diagnosis
- The Role of Vitamin D in Cardiovascular Diseases
- The Genomic Aspects of Vitamin D
- The Molecular Aspects of Vitamin D
- Vitamin D and Diabetes
- Vitamin D and Lungs
- Vitamin D and Skin Diseases
- Vitamin D Supplements & Treatment
- Vitamin D and Cancer
- Vitamin D and Neurological Disorders
- Vitamin D Toxicity
- Vitamin D in Rickets, and Osteoporosis
- Vitamin D in Women's Health
- Vitamin D and Autoimmune Diseases
- Vitamin D and Genetics
- Vitamin D in Mothers and Neonates
- Vitamin D and Human Reproduction
- Vitamin D Molecular Biology
- Vitamin D Metabolomics
- Vitamin D Physiology and Biochemistry
- Vitamin D Immunology
- Vitamin D Epidemiology
- Public Health Nutrition
- Nutritional Disorders and Treatment
- Vitamin D & Nutrition in Paediatrics
- Current Research in Nutrition and Food Sciences
- Role of Nutrition in Disease Prevention
- Vitamin D Deficiency A World wide Problem with Health Consequence
- Vitamin D Deficiency Insufficiency and Supplementation
- Vitamin D Assays in Clinical Laboratory: Past, Present & Future Challenges

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Why to attend?

All healthcare professionals, clinicians, scientists, researchers, technologists, nutritionists, nurses, professors, pharmacists, to improve the general health status of the population should attend this conference. Abu Dhabi International Conference on Vitamin D Deficiency and Human Health. This conference comprise of many leading keynote speakers and session speakers who have already confirmed their participation. Many more international researchers and scientists and professors will be delivering their speeches on the research topics of advancements/current developments about role of Vitamin D deficiency and nutrition in human health.

The young researchers and the student participants will gain the opportunity to grab the best Poster Award by presenting their work as a poster presentation.

Who should attend:

- Young and brilliant researchers
- All healthcare professionals
- Clinicians
- Family physicians
- Pediatricians
- Gynecologists
- Obstetricians
- Scientists
- General practitioners
- Orthopedics
- Surgeons
- Midwives
- Technologists
- Pharmacists
- Nutritionists
- Dieticians
- Nurses
- Professors
- Medical Students
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