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Ref: Nominations for Membership of Task Force on Pharmacogenetics

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Dear Colleagues,

The Task Force on Pharmacogenetics (Integrated Project) - (TF-PG), invites nominations to fill three vacant positions within the Task Force.

Aim

The aim of the Task Force is to facilitate integration of pharmacogenetics testing into routine diagnostics at the appropriate quality standards.

Objectives

- Obtain information on the potential clinical utility of specific pharmacogenetics tests
- Obtain information on current perception of genetic variants to be tested
- Obtain information on clinical recommendations based on the pharmacogenetics test results from the clinical disciplines involved.
- Discuss and weigh the information obtained.
- Prepare guiding documents, with participation of the clinical disciplines involved, per drug/gene combination for pharmacogenetics testing, addressing who to test, how to test, how to interpret and how to report.
- Identify Pharmacogenetics Expert Labs, in collaboration with the Committee for Molecular Diagnostics.

Delivery

- Network of pharmacogenetics experts from in- and outside Clinical Chemistry.
- Network of specific contact persons within the relevant clinical disciplines.
- Guidance documents: TPMT testing and 6-mercaptopurine/azathioprine, CYP2C19 testing and clopidogrel, CYP2D6 testing and tamoxifen.
- Presentation of ongoing work of IFCC TF-PG in presentations and posters at different conferences.

Nominations should be submitted by IFCC Members. They should comprise details of the individual being nominated and a supporting statement (~500 words) indicating why he/she is a suitable person to join TF on Pharmacogenetics. Experience of working with on Pharmacogenetics and Laboratory Medicine at national or international level is required.

Nominations should be sent directly to the IFCC Office to the attention of Silvia Colli Lanzi (colli-lanzi@ifcc.org) before **28 February 2017**. The term of office will be for a three year period in the first instance.

With kind regards.

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