

Starting Right: Pre-analytics and Gram Stains

8:00 – 8:30	Registration
8:30 – 10:00	Pre-analytical Microbiology: Things that Actually Work
10:00 – 10:15	Break
10:15 – 10:45	Key 1 – Using the Correct Specimen
10:45 – 11:15	Key 2 – Gram Stain Processing
11:15 – 11:45	Key 3 – Gram Stain Fixation and Staining
11:45 – 12:45	Lunch (provided)
12:45 – 1:15	Key 4 – Gram Stain Interpretation
1:15 – 2:15	Key 5 – Gram Stain Reporting and Competency
2:15 – 2:30	Break
2:30 – 3:00	Gram Stains in the Context of Molecular Blood Culture Assays

Workshop Objectives

The workshop will provide participants with information that will allow them to:

1. Review regulatory requirements for pre-analytical quality
2. List pre-analytical test components that can be measured
3. Define pre-analytical quality monitors
4. Analyze specific specimens and tests where quality interventions actually work
5. Optimize Gram stain quality by applying five keys in a case-based approach.
6. Integrate the five keys into competency assessment
7. Implement a reasonable microscopy QA plan to satisfy regulatory requirements
8. Review the role of the positive blood culture Gram stain in the context of blood culture real time molecular tests

Location

Texas Health Arlington Memorial Hospital
McCrae Health Services Building
Room C1 & C2 (lower level)
800 W. Randol Mill Road
Arlington, TX 76012

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About the Speaker:

Steve Dallas, PhD, D(ABMM)

Dr. Dallas is an Associate Professor of Medical Laboratory Sciences and Pathology and Laboratory Medicine at the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio. He also serves as the Director of Microbiology at University Hospital in San Antonio, TX.

Dr. Dallas has taught microbiology for more than 30 years. He has taught courses in all areas of microbiology including clinical microbiology, mycology, parasitology, molecular microbiology, dental microbiology, geriatric microbiology, management and systematic reasoning. He has been presenting nationally recognized Gram stain workshops since 2009.

Dr. Dallas is an active member of SWACM and will be co-chairing the 2018 annual meeting in San Antonio, TX.

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\$40 - SWACM members

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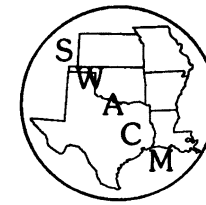
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