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Accelerate Diagnostics hosts symposia at ASM Microbe 2018 on the clinical opportunities of integrating fast phenotypic antibiotic susceptibility testing direct from positive blood cultures.

TUCSON, Arizona, USA, June 6, 2018 — Accelerate Diagnostics, Inc. (NASDAQ: AXDX) announced today it will host symposia on the clinical opportunities of integrating fast, phenotypic susceptibility testing into antimicrobial stewardship programs and its impact on the management of patients with bacteremia at the American Society of Microbiologist Microbe 2018 forum in Atlanta, Georgia, June 7 - 11.

The first presentations will be held on Friday, June 8, from 12-12:45 p.m. in the Exhibit & Poster Hall, Industry & Science Theater A.

Dr. Joseph Campos, PhD, D(ABMM), F(AAM) and microbiology laboratory director of Infectious Disease Molecular Diagnostics Laboratory and Laboratory Informatics at Children's National Medical Center (CNMC) in Washington, DC, will present data about the partnering of fast MIC diagnostics and antimicrobial stewardship at CNMC.

Micah Bhatti, MD, pediatric infectious disease specialist at MD Cancer Center Network (MDCCN) will provide information on early antibiotic susceptibility results and their role in the management of immunocompromised patients with gram negative bacteremia.

On Saturday, June 9, 12-12:45 pm, two additional presentations will be held in the same location.

Eric Rosenbaum, MD, MHP, medical director of clinical microbiology, molecular diagnostic and immunology laboratories at the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences (UAMC) will provide insight on the integration of fast MIC diagnostics into the clinical microbiology laboratory at UAMC to address antimicrobial stewardship.

Katharine Lusardi, PharmD, BCPS-AQ ID, clinical pharmacy specialist, antimicrobial stewardship from the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences will address the management of patients with bacteremia utilizing faster antibiotic susceptibility results in everyday clinical practice.

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About the American Society for Microbiology

The American Society for Microbiology (ASM) is the largest single life science society, composed of over 48,000 scientists and health professionals. ASM's mission is to promote and advance the microbial sciences. ASM advances the microbial sciences through conferences, publications, certifications and educational opportunities. It enhances laboratory capacity around the globe through training and resources. It provides a network for scientists in academia, industry and clinical settings. Additionally, ASM promotes a deeper understanding of the microbial sciences to diverse audiences. To learn more about ASM and ASM Microbe 2018 visit www.asm.org or www.abstractsonline.com/pp8/#!/4623

About Accelerate Diagnostics, Inc.

Accelerate Diagnostics, Inc. (NASDAQ: [AXDX](http://www.axdx.com)), is an *in vitro* diagnostics company dedicated to providing solutions for the global challenge of antibiotic resistance and healthcare-associated infections. The company recently obtained FDA marketing authorization for antimicrobial susceptibility testing direct from positive blood culture samples using its Accelerate Pheno™ system and Accelerate PhenoTest™ BC kit. The system and kit leverage proprietary molecular identification methods and morphokinetic cellular analysis (MCA) to provide minimum inhibitory concentrations for a range of applicable antibiotics. The fully-automated system is designed to eliminate the lengthy culture and sample preparation steps required prior to antimicrobial susceptibility testing. Recent studies suggest the solution offers results 1-2 days faster than conventional methods, enabling clinicians to optimize antibiotic selection, dosage and infusion strategy specific to the individual patient and their infection. To learn more visit www.acceleratediagnostics.com.

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