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**To: IFCC National Representatives of the Full and Affiliate Member Societies  
IFCC Corporate Members' Representatives**

Dear Colleagues,

Within the Committee on Molecular Diagnostics (C-MD), under the chairmanship of Prof. Dr. Parviz Ahmad-Nejad, one member position will be vacant for the term in office starting February 2020. C-MD is composed of 6 full members including the Chair nominated by the IFCC Member Societies. With this letter we are asking for nomination for this position.

**Terms of Reference**

- To foster dynamic exchanges between IFCC and molecular diagnostic laboratories and industry
- To produce guidelines on clinical validation of tests, conduct and reporting of molecular diagnostic tests
- Creation of a network of locus-specific IFCC Molecular Diagnostics Centres
- Updating the C-MD web page within the IFCC web site

**Current Projects**

- Establish an International Network of IFCC Reference Centres in Molecular Diagnostics
- Provide data on the current state of molecular diagnostics, with a particular focus on low-income countries, and to provide information to promote quality improvement
- Develop a checklist for technology transfer from development to clinical laboratory testing
- Standardise formats for reporting of molecular diagnostic results
- Facilitate integration of pharmacogenetic testing into routine diagnostics at the appropriate quality standards

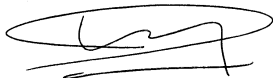
Nominations, *giving preference to young candidates (≤ 40 years of age)* should be directly sent to the IFCC Office ([paola.bramati@ifcc.org](mailto:paola.bramati@ifcc.org)) using the attached Application Form **before January 25<sup>th</sup> 2020**.

Following approval, the candidates will be appointed for a three-year term on the Committee. A second three-year term is allowed following satisfactory review at the end of the first term by the Scientific Division Executive Committee following consultation with the C-MD Chairman.

Looking forward to receiving your nomination, I remain

Sincerely yours

Prof. Philippe Gillery



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