

CLSI Conclave

3rd Edition - 2026

**The Evolving Patient Care:
From Diagnostic Testing to
Precision Medicine**

10 DECEMBER 2026

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WELCOME NOTE

Distinguished guests, esteemed speakers, colleagues, and leaders in laboratory medicine,

On behalf of **Prime Healthcare Group** and in association with the **Clinical and Laboratory Standards Institute (CLSI, USA)**, it is my distinct honor and privilege to welcome you all to the **3rd Edition of the CLSI Conclave 2026**.

This year's theme, **"The Evolving Patient Care: From Diagnostic Testing to Precision Medicine,"** reflects a pivotal shift in modern healthcare. As diagnostic science advances rapidly, laboratory medicine is no longer confined to reporting numbers—it is actively shaping clinical decisions, driving personalized therapies, and improving patient outcomes.

Today, we bring together over 180 key decision-makers, pathologists, clinical biochemists, and healthcare leaders from across the UAE and the wider Middle East region. Through robust discussions, expert insights, and practical frameworks grounded in CLSI guidelines, our goal is to bridge the gap between rigorous laboratory standards and advanced clinical application.

Our agenda for the day spans critical operational and scientific frontiers:

Pre-Analytical Excellence & Error Prevention: Addressing specimen integrity, patient identification, and handling workflows (CLSI PRE01, PRE02, PRE04).

Advanced Diagnostics & Biomarkers: Evaluating monoclonal proteins (EP17), clinical readiness of brain injury markers (EP29), and blood-based biomarkers in Alzheimer's disease.

Clinical Decision-Making & Risk Management: Transforming data into actionable clinical decisions and managing critical results (GP47).

Digital Transformation, AI & Automation: Unlocking autoverification and next-generation IVD instrument workflows (AUTO10, AUTO16).

Point-of-Care & Analytical Quality: Standardizing POCT programs (POCT 04/07) and navigating immunoassay interference (I/LA30-A, EP07).

Holistic Well-being: Concluding with an interactive workshop on Mindfulness in Laboratory Medicine.

We extend our sincere gratitude to our esteemed international and regional faculty, representative dignitaries from the Dubai Health Authority (DHA), the Chamber of Commerce, CLSI, and our industry partners—especially Abbott—for their unwavering support in making this platform possible.

Thank you for joining us today. We hope this conclave inspires rich dialogue, meaningful collaboration, and actionable insights that elevate laboratory practices across our institutions.



ABOUT THE CONFERENCE

Where laboratory standards meet precision medicine

AN EXCHANGE OF SCIENCE, PRACTICE AND LEADERSHIP

The **CLSI Conclave 2026** convenes laboratory medicine professionals and healthcare leaders from the UAE and the wider Middle East to explore quality, safety, innovation and the translation of diagnostic evidence into clinical action.

PRE-ANALYTICAL EXCELLENCE

Specimen integrity, patient identification, collection and handling workflows. CLSI PRE01, PRE02, PRE04.

PRECISION DIAGNOSTICS

Monoclonal proteins, emerging biomarkers and clinical readiness for precision medicine. CLSI EP17, EP29.

DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION

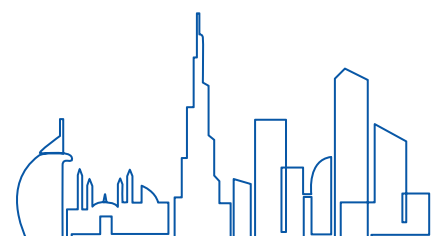
AI, digital pathology, autoverification and future-ready IVD workflows. CLSI AUTO10, AUTO16.

POINT-OF-CARE QUALITY

POCT implementation, immunoassay interference and critical clinical results. CLSI POCT 04/07, EP07, GP47.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

- Pathologists
- Clinical Biochemists
- Laboratory Technologists
- Quality Professionals
- Diagnostic Managers
- Laboratory and Healthcare Decision-Makers



SPEAKERS

- **Dr. Sujay Ramaprasad**
Chief Medical Director, Neuberg Anand Reference Laboratory,
Neuberg Diagnostics Pvt Ltd, India
- **Dr. Amani Mohammed Taib Gusti**
PhD, Consultant Clinical Biochemistry, King Fahd Armed Forces Hospital (KFAFH)
MODHS, Jeddah, KSA
- **Dr. Laila AbdelWareth**
CEO, Diagnostics & National Reference Laboratory-M42, UAE
- **Dr. Rakesh Kumar Shah**
Clinical Pathologist & Head of department, Burjeel medical City, Abu Dhabi, UAE
- **Dr. Mariam Adel Labib Younan**
Consultant Clinical Pathologist and Laboratory Director, Zulekha Hospital, UAE
- **Dr. Shiefa Sequeira**
Ph.D, Division Operations Manager-Clinical Chemistry, Immunology and POCT,
Dubai Health, UAE
- **Dr. Parampreet Kaur**
Specialist Pathologist, Prime Healthcare Group, UAE
- **Dr. Antony Thomas**
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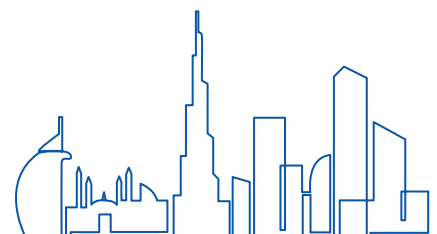


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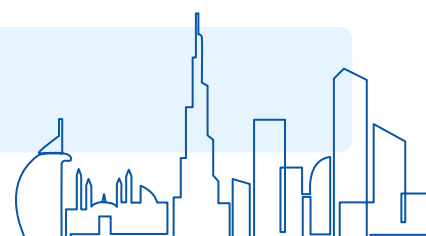
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THURSDAY • 10 DECEMBER 2026 | MORNING SESSIONS

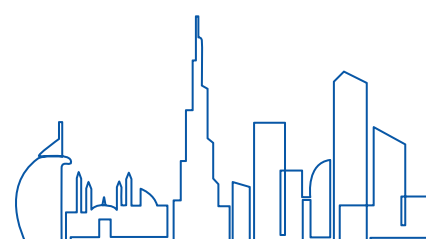
TIME	SESSION / TOPIC	SPEAKER
08:00-08:30	Registration	All participants
08:30-09:00	Welcome and Introductions	Prime Healthcare Group, CLSI, DHA representatives, Chamber of Commerce
09:00-09:30	“Oh! These Lab Errors! — Where Laboratory Errors Really Begin” CLSI PRE02 — Collection of Diagnostic Venous Blood Specimens; CLSI PRE01 — Patient and Laboratory Specimen Identification Processes; and CLSI PRE04 — Handling, Transport, Processing, and Storage of Blood Specimens.	Dr. Antony Thomas
09:30-10:00	Monoclonal Gammopathies (Myeloma & Plasma Cell Dyscrasias) – An Integrated Laboratory Approach: CLSI EP17 – Evaluation of Detection Capability for Analytical Sensitivity and Detection of Monoclonal Proteins	Dr. Sujay Ramaprasad
10:00-10:30	Is your new biomarker clinically ready? lessons from brain injury markers: CLSI EP 29 framework for developing new biomarkers	Dr. Amani Mohammed Taib Gusti
10:30-11:00	Morning Coffee / Tea Break	
11:00-11:30	Advanced Precision Diagnostics; Alzheimer’s bloodbased biomarkers:	Dr. Laila AbdelWareth
11:30-12:00	Beyond the Laboratory Result: Transforming Laboratory Data into Clinical Decisions – CLSI GP47: Management of Critical- and Significant-Risk Results	Dr. Rakesh Kumar Shah
12:00-12:30	Digital Pathology and AI in Laboratory Medicine – Focus on Process Workflow: CLSI AUTO10 – Autoverification of Clinical Laboratory Test Results & CLSI AUTO16-Ed2 – Next-Generation In Vitro Diagnostic Instruments	Dr. Sujay Ramaprasad
12:30-13:30	Lunch & Networking	



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TIME	SESSION / TOPIC	SPEAKER
13:30-14:00	Essential tools for implementation and Management of a Point-of-Care testing Program CLSI POCT 04/07	Dr. Mariam Adel Labib Younan
14:00-14:30	Autoverification Topic	Dr. Parampreet Kaur
14:30-15:00	Afternoon Coffee / Tea Break	
15:00-15:30	Recognizing Immunoassay Interference in Clinical Practice; CLSI I/LA30-A and CLSI EP07-ED3	Dr. Shiefa Sequeira
15:30-16:45	Workshop: Mindfulness in Laboratory Medicine	Dr. Sujay Ramaprasad with Prime & Abbott team
16:45-17:00	Closing	Prime Healthcare Group, Abbott, CLSI



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