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Invitation

It appears that during the past 30 years, the incidence of Clostridium difficile infections has continuously risen world-wide. Moreover the spectrum of C. difficile infection has evolved from antibiotic associated diarrhoea to life-threatening fulminant pseudo-membranous colitis and sepsis. Thus it is not surprising that considerable efforts were made to improve diagnostic procedures, to clarify the epidemiology of the disease, to elucidate the virulence factors associated with this micro-organism, and to study the various therapeutic options in the treatment of the patients.

Because of the significant burden of the disease, the International Society of Chemotherapy has decided to offer a forum to discuss the current knowledge in C. difficile infection. The ISC is joined by a number of other societies and institutions in sponsoring the conference, highlighting the interdisciplinary importance of this disease. The support of the pharmaceutical and diagnostic industry that made this meeting possible is also gratefully acknowledged.

The Institute for Medical Microbiology and Epidemiology of Infectious Diseases of the University of Leipzig is honoured by serving as host for this international meeting. We are grateful that leading experts in the field have agreed to participate in the program and we like to invite all interested colleges to discuss with them the pressing issues in C. difficile infection.

The conference is designed to offer the active participation of all attendees via poster or selected oral presentations. Please send your abstract to j.scheffler@kelcon.de and indicate whether you prefer a poster or oral presentation if selected by the Organising Committee. Sufficient time is being allocated to allow intensive discussions.

We would be happy to welcome you in Leipzig and are confident that this ISC International Conference will be a scientifically outstanding meeting.

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