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Update on 2020 Congress – We've Gone Virtual!

Dear IATDMCT Members,

As you all know, due to the COVID pandemic and concern for everyone's safety, we made the difficult decision to cancel the in-person congress that was to have been held in Banff, Alberta, Canada this September. Our Organizing Committee and contributing members put in a lot of work to organize an excellent program and a memorable experience for everyone. Fortunately, we are going to be able to offer you much of the excellent program, but you will have to wait for another year to experience Banff National Park and our Alberta hospitality.

We will be providing a Virtual Banff 2020 Congress via webinar. The scientific sessions will be broadcast live from September 14 – 16, with plenary lectures and simultaneous TDM and Clinical Toxicology streams for 3 hours each day. Recorded sessions will also be available for viewing at individual convenience.

Posters and short presentations from authors will also be available, with a link to contact the authors for more information. Our sponsors will be providing a series of informative sessions highlighting their latest innovations and technology, starting on September 23, 2020.

The congress program is available on our [website](#) and delegates can [register](#) now as well. We are excited to be able to bring our members this exciting series of TDM/Toxicology presentations even though we cannot meet in person. We hope that you will plan to take advantage of this Virtual Banff 2020 Congress.

Penny Colbourne and David Kinniburgh
Co-Chairs Banff 2020
On behalf of the Organizing Committee

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Looking Forward to the 2021 Rome Congress

We are looking forward to next year's meeting in Rome, Italy.

We would like to show you what to expect next September! » [Click here](#)

Future Congresses-Application to Host: 23rd International Congress of Therapeutic Drug Monitoring & Clinical Toxicology 2025

Deadline: July 31, 2021

The new approved guidelines for hosting the meeting can be seen: » [here](#)

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Member-Get-A Member Campaign 2020 Update

New Campaign Deadline: August 30, 2021

» [Click here for more information](#)

The top two "RECRUITERS" will receive free registration for the Rome Congress 2021!

Be active for IATDMCT, take part in the new campaign, and win the prize!

Do not miss this excellent opportunity. Visit the [IATDMCT](#) webpage for complete participation details!

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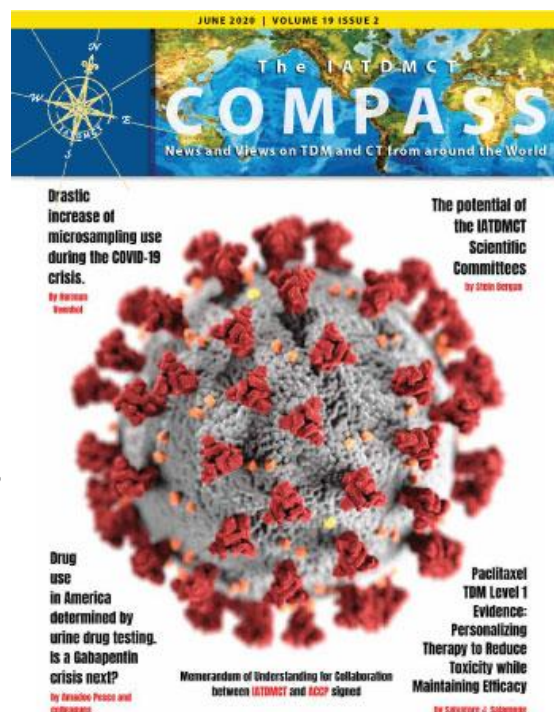
Compass June 2020 – Download your E-Formats today!

The June Compass is now available.

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2020 IATDMCT Membership Renewal Reminder

Join us in maintaining the IATDMCT membership at a high level! We look forward to inspiring many further colleagues who

are interested in precision medicine to connect with us and to be part of IATDMCT. Our aims are to advance education, advocate networking, and to continue promoting a standard of practice in TDM and CT.

Please ensure you renew your membership in order to retain your IATDMCT member benefits.

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News from the Communication Committee

Take advantage of networking in IATDMCT!

In these challenging times, IATDMCT continues to support laboratory medical and technical professionals, toxicologists, pharmacologists as well as our colleagues in biotechnology and supplier companies.

Some of our members are currently conducting clinical tests for COVID-19 and/or trying to introduce new biomarkers to monitor recovery. Certainly it is our duty to continue also the routine work. Keep safe.

Below please find informative links about the current situation which specifically address the rapid identification of COVID-19 cases as well as methods to eliminate errors or adverse reactions due to interaction of drugs:

- IATDMCT website provides a list of COVID-19 resources
 - <https://iatdmct.org/rss/7-news/556-covid-19-resources.html>
- Drugs used to treat COVID-19 that may interact with other medication
 - [Liverpool COVID-19 Interactions](#)
- Centre for Disease Control via NIH and Biosafety
 - <https://www.nih.gov/coronavirus>
 - <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/lab/biosafety-faqs.html>
- ASPX-drug compatibility
 - <https://www.interactivehandbook.com/Compatibility.aspx>
- New England Journal of Medicine opened all articles regarding Covid-19
 - <https://t.co/fkKzCwma7t>
- McMaster University
 - <https://www.mcmasterforum.org/find-evidence/guide-to-covid-19-evidence-sources>
- Cochrane
 - <https://covidrapidreviews.cochrane.org/welcome>
- BC Centre for Disease Control
 - <http://www.bccdc.ca/health-info/diseases-conditions/covid-19>
 - Overdose Response Indicators. We would like to acknowledge Dr. Roy Purssell.

[Visit the COVID-19 resources on the IATDMCT Website...](#) | [Top](#)

In memoriam Professor Roger Jelliffe and Professor Folke Sjöqvist

We would like to express our deepest sympathy on the passing of Professor Roger Jelliffe and Professor Folke Sjöqvist. They were truly great global leaders. We extend our deepest sympathies to their family. May they rest in peace.

<http://www.lapk.org/>

<https://news.ki.se/in-memory-of-the-late-professor-emeritus-folke-sjoqvist>

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Published Ahead-Of-Print in *Therapeutic Drug Monitoring* – Latest Update

Stay ahead with the latest scientific research developments in the fields of TDM and CT!

The monthly *Therapeutic Drug Monitoring* Column provides you with the latest posts of ahead-of-print. Bringing to you articles posted online in May 29 2020:

Original Articles:

- Measuring Intracellular Concentrations of Calcineurin Inhibitors: Expert Consensus from the International Association of Therapeutic Drug Monitoring and Clinical Toxicology (IATDMCT) Expert Panel.

By Lemaitre, Florian; Vethe, Nils Tore; D'Avolio, Antonio; Tron, Camille; Robertsen, Ida; De Winter, Brenda; Denicolo, Amedeo; Koch, Birgit C.P.; Venkataramanan, Raman; Van Gelder, Teun; Brunet, Mercè; Bergan, Stein; Hesselink, Dennis A.; Wallemacq, Pierre.

- Exploring Reference Values for Hair Cortisol: Hair Weight versus Hair Protein.
By Frisch, Nadine; Eichler, Anna; Plank, Anne-Christine; Golub, Yulia; Moll, Gunther H.; Kratz, Oliver.
- Pharmacokinetic variability during long-term therapeutic drug monitoring of valproate, clobazam, and levetiracetam in patients with Dravet syndrome.
By Landmark, Cecilie Johannessen; Heger, Katrine; Lund, Caroline; Burns, Margrete Larsen; Bjørnvold, Marit; Sætre, Erik; Johannessen, Svein I.
- Comparison of Novel Immunoassay with Liquid Chromatography/Tandem Mass Spectrometry (LC-MS/MS) for Therapeutic Drug Monitoring of Clozapine.
By Buckley, Tiffany; Kitchen, Christopher; Vyas, Gopal; Siegfried, Nathan A.; Tefera, Eshetu; Chen, Shuo; DiPaula, Bethany A.; Kelly, Deanna L.
- Therapeutic Drug Monitoring (TDM) of Antidepressants for the Treatment of Chronic Musculoskeletal Pain With and Without Depression.
By Scherf-Clavel, M.; Breisinger, S.; Fischer, M.; Deckert, J.; Unterecker, S.; Rittner, H.L.



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July Blog: COVID-19 experiences of IATDMCT Young Scientists

This month we hear from the Young Scientist Committee and Young Scientist friends about how the COVID-19 situation has affected our professional lives. The result is a lovely snapshot of experiences of our members across countries and continents. The photo for the post represents one of the most challenging aspects of the situation, which has been working from home and caring for children in the context of institutional closures. A heart felt thank you to everyone for their contributions, and to all our members contributing in so many ways to this situation that has affected all of us globally.



Laure and Juliette, working from home

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