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April 2008 Annual Meeting -- Final Program and [List of Exhibitors](#)

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Tuesday April 22, 2008 -- Regency I:

9:00 – 9:50: “Flow Cytometry” 598-001-08

Frederic I. Preffer, PhD

Associate Professor of Pathology, Harvard Medical School

Associate Pathologist, Massachusetts General Hospital

Boston, MA

9:50 – 10:40: “Disaster Planning at the Local and National Levels” 598-003-08

Jamie Blietz, MBA, CAE

Director, AABB National Blood Exchange

Bethesda, MD

10:40 – 11:00: Morning Break / Exhibits

11:00 – 11:50: “Conservation of Blood, A Precious Resource” 598-005-08

James P. AuBuchon, MD, FCAP, FRCP(Edin)

Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center, Lebanon, NH

12:00 – 1:30: Lunch / Exhibits

1:30 – 2:20: “Molecular Testing in Transfusion Medicine” 598-007-08

American Red Cross Sponsored Lecture

Connie M. Westhoff, SBB, PhD

Scientific Director, American Red Cross

Philadelphia, PA

2:20 – 2:50: Afternoon Break / Exhibits

2:50 – 3:40: “Blood Groups: More Than Just Trivia” 598-008-08

John Moulds, MT(ASCP)SBB

Director of Scientific Support Services

LifeShare Blood Centers, Shreveport, LA

3:40 – 4:30: “Mobilizing the Poorly Mobilized Stem Cell Donor: On Getting Blood from a Stone” 598-009-08

Edward L. Snyder, MD, FACP

Professor of Laboratory Medicine, Yale University School of Medicine

New Haven, CT

4:30: "ISBT128 -- The Deadline is Here, Last Minute Discussion for Meditech Users"
Carmine Vetrano, Blood Bank Manager, Mount Auburn Hospital
Linda Levinus, Blood Bank Manager, New England Baptist Hospital [[click here for more info](#)]

Tuesday April 22, 2008 -- Whittier Room:

9:00 – 9:50: “Déjà vu – the Most Common Nonconformances Found During an AABB Assessment” 598-002-08
Anne Chenoweth, MBA, MT(ASCP)
Department of Accreditation and Quality, AABB
Bethesda, MD

9:50 – 10:40: “Trypanosoma cruzi, Chagas' Disease, and Blood Donations” 598-004-08
Jorge Rios, MD
Medical Director, American Red Cross (New England Region)
Dedham, MA

10:40 – 11:00: Morning Break / Exhibits

11:00 -11:50: “Optimizing the Use of Rare Red Cells in Hematopoietic Cell Transplant” 598-006-08
American Red Cross Sponsored Lecture
Sandra Nance, MS, MT(ASCP)SBB
Senior Director, IRL Biomedical Services Operations and Heritage Division
ARC, Penn Jersey Region

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Wednesday April 23, 2008, Regency I:

9:00 – 9:50: “Emerging Infectious Diseases that Threaten the Blood Supply” 598-015-08
Aleksandar M. Babic, MD, PhD
Associate Medical Director, Adult Transfusion Service
Brigham and Women's Hospital, Boston, MA

9:50 – 10:40: “Disaster Preparedness (an Oxymoron?)” 598-012-08
Susan Sullivan, MT(ASCP)SBB
Blood Bank Section Leader, Caritas Holy Family Hospital
Methuen, MA

10:40 – 11:00: Morning Break / Exhibits

11:00 – 11:50: “Blood Group Genotyping: The Future is Now” 598-014-08
Joann Moulds, PhD, MT(ASCP)SBB
Director of Clinical Immunogenetics, LifeShare Blood Centers
Shreveport, LA

12:00 – 1:30: Lunch and Awards

1:30 – 2:30: **Karen Tiegerman Award Recipient**
“Cord Blood Transplantation: Current Status and Future Prospects” 598-016-08
Denise Harmening, PhD, MT(ASCP), CLS(NCA)
Professor, Department of Medical and Research Technology
School of Medicine, University of Maryland at Baltimore

2:30 – 2:50: : Afternoon Break / Exhibits

2:50 – 3:40: Morten Grove-Rasmussen Award Recipient

“Biovigilance at the Bedside: Enhancing Blood Safety in the Hospital ... and Beyond” 598-017-08

Chet Andrzejewski, Jr., PhD, MD, FCAP

Medical Director, Transfusion Medicine, Baystate Medical Center, Springfield, MA

Assistant Professor of Pathology, Tufts University School of Medicine, Boston, MA

3:40 – 4:30: “How Malaria Affected Your Blood Type” 598-018-08

Sunny Dzik, MD

Associate Professor of Pathology, Harvard Medical School Fellowship Program in Transfusion Medicine

Co-Director, Blood Transfusion Service, Massachusetts General Hospital

Boston, MA

Wednesday April 23, 2008 -- Whittier Room:

9:00 – 9:50: “A Rational Approach to Problem Solving” 598-011-08

Michael F. Breard, MS, MT(ASCP)SBB, CQA(ASQ)

Division Director, AABB Consulting Services

Bethesda, MD

9:50 – 10:40: “The Clinical Laboratory Scientist Shortage: What You Can Do About It!” 598-013-08

Kay Doyle, PhD, MT(ASCP)CM

Professor and Chairperson, Department of Clinical Laboratory and Nutritional Sciences

University of Massachusetts Lowell

10:40 – 11:00: Morning Break / Exhibits

11:00 – 11:50: “Update on Cord Blood Banking and Transplantation” 598-010-08

Karen Ballen, MD

Director, Leukemia Program

Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, MA

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