



2014 Labs4Life Photo Contest

Pathologists and laboratory professionals play a vital role in patient care around the world. But exactly where can these essential members of the medical team be found? In celebration of the upcoming International Pathology Day on Nov. 5, Labs Are Vital wants to see where in the world you work in our **2014 Labs4Life Photo Contest**. Now it's time to vote for the winners!

The Details

- Contestants submitted photos from three regions: Eurasia, Europe and Africa, and the Americas. The final voting round to determine the first place winner from each region is taking place now through Nov. 3 at 6 p.m. GMT on the [Labs Are Vital website](#).
- **The first place winner from each region will be announced on International Pathology Day, Nov. 5.**
- First place winners will receive \$1000 toward a scientific meeting of their choice.



International Pathology Day

The diagnosis and treatment of disease across the globe depends on the fields of pathology and lab medicine. This year, pathology organizations around the world are teaming up to highlight the vital role of laboratory medicine with the first annual [International Pathology Day on Nov. 5, 2014](#).

International Pathology Day is an opportunity to celebrate the work of pathologists and laboratory scientists, as well as show the public the importance of pathology and laboratory medicine to patient care.

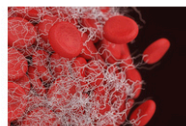
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D-dimer Testing for Investigating Venous Thromboembolism

The use and performance of D-dimer testing in the diagnosis of venous thromboembolism varies, which may influence patient outcomes. On Labs Are Vital, Graham H. Beastall, CBE, PhD, FRCPath, FRCP(Glas), President of the International Federation of Clinical Chemistry and Laboratory Medicine (IFCC) highlights a consensus document on the use of D-dimer testing.

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Real Lab Stories: "The Hidden Assassin: When Clinical Lab Tests Go Awry"

Alan H.B. Wu, PhD, shares a glimpse of his book "The Hidden Assassin: When Clinical Lab Tests Go Awry" on Labs Are Vital. The short stories in the book are based on real medical and forensic cases and showcase the importance of the proper use and interpretation of lab testing.

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