Diagnosis of Celiac Disease: The Role of the Clinical Laboratory
Tuesday, October 11, 2011
6:00 – 7:30 p.m.

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6:00 - 6:30   Registration – Light Supper
6:30 - 7:30   Presentation

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Target Audience
Laboratorians, Nurses and Physicians

Program Overview:
Celiac disease is an inflammatory disorder that is associated with a sensitivity to dietary gluten. The diagnosis of celiac disease is generally established by small intestinal biopsy in which evidence of chronic inflammation and villous atrophy is observed. In addition to a biopsy, various serologic and genetic tests can be valuable in evaluating cases of suspected celiac disease. This presentation will focus on the diagnostic criteria for celiac disease and the different serologic and genetic tests that are currently available. The goal of this presentation is to provide laboratorians with information relevant to the utility, performance, and interpretation of serologic and genetic tests for the diagnosis of celiac disease.

Objectives:
• Describe the diagnostic criteria for celiac disease.
• List the serologic and genetic tests available for the diagnosis of celiac disease.
• Discuss the clinical utility of these tests.
• Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of different testing strategies for celiac disease, with a focus on the clinical context of the patient.