



Save the Date

Monday 18 February 2019

Professor Alex Van Belkum

“Evolution in Clinical Microbiology?”

Alex is a major key opinion leader in MALDI-TOF, Antimicrobial Resistance and Whole Genome Sequencing. He will be visiting Australia to speak at the ASA'S Antimicrobials 2019 in Sydney, and we are fortunate to have him present in Melbourne for ASM on rapid diagnostics and the way forward to combat AMR.

Professor Alex van Belkum, PhD PhD, fellow of the American Academy of Microbiology, has been primarily involved in research on molecular epidemiology, molecular and culture-based diagnostics and antimicrobial resistance testing in the domain of clinical microbiology. A scientific director of microbiology research at bioMérieux, a diagnostics company based in the South of France, he is also the editor-in-chief of European Journal of Clinical Microbiology and Infectious Diseases, which 2016 impact factor is 2.7. He is the author of more than 540 PubMed-cited papers, with an H index of about 90. He has worked at the Universities of Leiden and Rotterdam, both in The Netherlands, and at the latter institute he still holds a honorary professorship in molecular microbiology. He moved to industry 7 years ago where he is a microbiologist in the Data Analytics Unit with a prime interest in next generation sequencing and the use of other data-rich technologies in clinical microbiology. He published five books and is one of the editors of “Molecular Microbiology: diagnostic principles and practice” published by ASM Press, American Society of Microbiology, Washington.



Where: St Vincent's Hospital, Melbourne

Time: From 6pm onwards – food and drinks provided followed by presentation

Cost: Free event for ASM Members (Student or Full Members)
\$20 - Non-ASM Member

Register via Trybooking: <https://www.trybooking.com/BAECI>

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