



CPD Events and Courses Attendance Sheet

Activity Title
Microbial Diagnostics in Practice: the Good, the Bad and the Bugly

Activity Summary	Activity Details				
<p>A one-day meeting</p> <p>A day spent looking at current and future practice in laboratory microbial diagnostics. Also, an opportunity to listen to leading experts on future trends in diagnostic microbiology. Also, coverage of the impact of climate change on mosquito vectors in the UK; a look at atypical mycoplasmas; the importance of anaerobic bacteriology; and the latest on phage therapy as a means to treat bacterial infections, thus limiting the impact of AMR, which will conclude the programme. Further key points include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improvement in knowledge of the value of diagnostics, through interaction with commercial colleague in the trade show. • Information on the development of new technologies and advances, and how they may be utilised in the microbiology laboratory. • The chance to partake in 'live' question and answers sessions after each session. 	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%;">Date(s) of Activity:</td> <td>21 May 2026</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="width: 50%;">Venue:</td> <td>RAF Museum, Hendon, North London NW9 5LL</td> </tr> </table>	Date(s) of Activity:	21 May 2026	Venue:	RAF Museum, Hendon, North London NW9 5LL
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CPD Category <i>(Please tick one option only)</i>		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Formal Education	<input type="checkbox"/> Professional Activity	<input type="checkbox"/> Self-directed Learning
<input type="checkbox"/> Work Based Learning	<input type="checkbox"/> Other	

Content <i>(web content, links to external websites etc.)</i>
www.bsmt.org.uk for downloadable programme (flyer) and lecture presentations.

Key Learning Outcomes
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be able to analyse the data/information presented and develop science-based solutions that could be incorporated to enhance current laboratory methods. • Enable the creation of cohesive and persuasive arguments to allow project work to be undertaken to introduce new processes to the laboratory. • To integrate knowledge, analyse and evaluate the information presented in the light of own current experience of rapid diagnostics • Utilisation of new technologies within the microbiology laboratory to improve the current service provided. • Take information /knowledge gained back to the laboratory to cascade to colleagues in the format of presentation or group discussion.



Key Reflection Topics

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- Has the meeting given you the opportunity to gain self-knowledge?
- Has the meeting given you a better understanding of what you are doing in the laboratory?
- What key ideas can you take away from this meeting to apply in the laboratory?
- Is it worthwhile coming to conferences/meetings to extend you knowledge?
- Has the meeting helped provide clarity to any training you are undertaking and helped improve the way you learn?