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### **AMLI Web site:**

<http://www.amli.org>

Dear AMLI members,

Happy New Year! I hope you have all had a great start to 2019! AMLI is looking forward to some exciting updates this year.

**New Website!** The AMLI website has undergone a major overhaul and we expect you will find it much easier to navigate. Many thanks to Jeff Rossio and Maggie Fogel for the hard work put into this effort. Please do visit the new website ([www.amli.org](http://www.amli.org)) and send us your feedback ([www.amli.org/feedback-form/](http://www.amli.org/feedback-form/)). Hopefully you have received your new passcode for the Members Only section, which includes the member directory and videos for lectures from past annual meetings.

**Annual Meeting:** The 32<sup>nd</sup> annual AMLI meeting will be held in Cleveland, Ohio, August 16<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup>, 2019. Thanks to the efforts of the scientific affairs committee, the meeting program is coming along well. Please do check the AMLI website frequently for updates to the scientific program ([http://amli.org/meetings\\_2019\\_program/](http://amli.org/meetings_2019_program/)).

**Neter Award Nominations:** The deadline for Neter award nominations has been extended to **January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2019**. I encourage you to send in your nominations for the 2019 Neter Award. This award is given to a person who has made significant contributions to the field of medical laboratory immunology. If you would like to nominate someone for the 2019 Neter Award, please send in a brief statement explaining why your nominee should be given the Award along with the nominee's CV. Please send your nominations to Maggie Fogel ([maggie@maggiefogel.com](mailto:maggie@maggiefogel.com)). The Neter Award will be chosen from the nominees by the Neter Award committee.

### **Case Studies Plenary Session:**

Please consider submitting a case study for the 2019 Case Studies Plenary Session; deadline extended to **January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2019**.

AMLI requests interested members to submit case studies for the 2019 meeting. Case studies should include a diagnostic laboratory challenge **in the field of immunology** and are meant to engage the audience in interactive discussion. Although challenging/interesting case studies covering different subfields of clinical immunology are welcome, we encourage cases focusing on Lymphoma/Leukemia/Multiple Myeloma (including minimal residual disease and

CAR T cells monitoring), and antinuclear antibodies (ANA) in rheumatic and non-rheumatic diseases. The case studies session chairs will review submissions and choose four case studies to be presented at the 2019 Case Studies Plenary Session. Meeting registration, hotel and airfare will be covered for speakers whose case studies are chosen for the plenary session. The submission should include the following and should be limited to one page:

1. Brief introduction of the topic
2. Case study/challenge
3. Laboratory findings
4. Case resolution and discussion
5. 4-5 learning objectives

Please send your submissions to [maggie@maggiefogel.com](mailto:maggie@maggiefogel.com). The deadline to submit a case study for consideration is **January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2019**.

**Board Certifications:**

The ABB (American Board of Bioanalysis) and AMLI are continuing collaborative efforts for certification of high-complexity clinical laboratory directors (HCLD) in the field of diagnostic immunology. Please stay tuned for further updates to this effort. For individuals wishing to take the current ABB certification examinations for HCLD, please check the following link for details: <https://www.aab.org/aab/Examinations.asp>

My best wishes to all of you for a successful 2019! I hope to see you at our annual meeting in August of this year.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "V. Knight".

Vijaya Knight  
AMLI President