



# **New Approaches for Monitoring Therapy for Chronic Hepatitis B**

## **Roche Diagnostics Satellite Symposium**

*Friday, February 13, 2009*

*11:45 - 13:15*

*6/F, Meeting Room 608, Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre*

**The 19th Conference of the Asian Pacific Association for the Study of the Liver  
Hong Kong**



**The introduction of new HBV treatment modalities and rapidly changing clinical guidelines require a re-examination of the treatment strategies for chronic HBV.**

**In addition the use of diagnostics offers physicians several tools in the diagnosis, treatment and management of chronic HBV. Real-time PCR Technology is driving the next generation of molecular diagnostics and is quickly becoming the new standard of care globally for Hepatitis B viral load testing. This symposium offers an update on current treatment guidelines for Chronic HBV. It also provides an opportunity to discuss the clinical utility of diagnostics used in the care of patients with Chronic Hepatitis B.**

**11:45 – 12:00**

**Welcome and Introduction**

**12:00 – 12:30**

**Advances in Treatment Strategies for Chronic Hepatitis B: Updates in the Current Guidelines**

**Professor Emmet B. Keeffe, MD**

*Stanford University Medical Center, California, USA*

**12:30 – 13:00**

**Clinical Utility of Diagnostics in the Treatment of Chronic Hepatitis B**

**Professor Ching-Lung Lai, MD, FRCP, FRACP, FHKCP, FHKAM**

*The University of Hong Kong, Queen Mary Hospital, Hong Kong*

**13:00 – 13:15**

**Panel Question and Answer Session**