AAVLD Committee Report
(Note: Please attach any additional pages necessary for the following subtopics and your minutes / narrative)

_ Technology Committee
Committee

_11-10-2015_____
Date

Kathy Kurth and Beate Crossley
Committee Chair

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Co-chair if applicable

Amy Glaser for 2017
Nominees for upcoming chair / co-chair

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Nominees for upcoming chair / co-chair

Committee Statement of Purpose:

To formulate guidelines around emerging technologies

Strategy(ies) for Committee Activity Supporting AAVLD Strategic Plan (Please List):

The committee is focused on evaluating new technologies in order to provide continuous improvement of the diagnostic laboratories techniques. We are committed to disseminating the information by presenting our achievements at the annual committee meeting, organizing symposia and producing guidance documents, as well as publications.

Items for Review by the Executive Board (Please List):

Please consider changing our meeting time to 3-5pm on Friday afternoon (currently 4-6pm). We would prefer rearrangement of the schedule to allow incorporation of expertise from other committees as well. Preferably, the committee should not overlap with committees such as Virology, Bacteriology, etc because technologies discussed are used across disciplines.

We will be forwarding our newest guidance document covering Sanger sequencing and cut-off determination to the Executive committee after incorporation of comments made during the meeting.

Action Items for the Committee (Please List):

As the outcome of this year's committee meeting we will have 2 workgroups for the upcoming year. Our first working group is finalizing publication efforts in a peer reviewed journal that will include our guidance package for real-time PCR, sequence analysis and validation. Publication of our AAVLD guidelines will establish transparency beyond our organization.
Our second work group will be establishing guidelines addressing inhibition monitoring in diagnostic samples (i.e. internal control concepts) and developing guidance for methods to determine the absolute copy number (sensitivity estimation).