

## Editorial

### Introducing: Dr. Tveten - International Journal of Biomedical Laboratory Science Associate Editor of Molecular Biology



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Dr. Ann-Kristin Tveten is an associate professor at the Department of Biological Sciences at the Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU) in Aalesund. She is the program manager for the bachelor program in biotechnology and works closely with the biomedical laboratory sciences program. She is a certified biomedical laboratory scientist (BLS) and teaches BLS students in microbiology, molecular biology and bioinformatics. She has a passion for innovative teaching methods, and especially teaching methods for simulation and practical skills training.

Dr. Tveten worked with diagnostics in medical genetics before completing a Ph.D. in microbiology. Her research work previously focused on tick-borne pathogens, while currently she is working with metagenomics analysis using next-generation sequencing and the characterization of marine microflora. Her extensive work with polymerase chain reaction (PCR) methodology has given her a great interest in developing new methods for use in teaching and projects associated with stress related gene expression. She enjoys developing new areas of collaboration and uses much of her expertise in research projects for the welfare in aquaculture.

Dr. Tveten has been a member of Norwegian Society of Engineers and Technologists (NITO) and Norwegian Institute of Biomedical Science (BFI) since her studies and has been actively involved in disseminating the knowledge related to biomedical laboratory science.