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## **FIMM's Olli Kallioniemi to Speak at ALDA Breakfast**

**Alexandria, VA (January, 2015)** — Olli Kallioniemi, M.D., Ph.D. will be the featured speaker at a breakfast ALDA will host for senior executives of ALDA member companies on February 8 at the SLAS (Society for Laboratory Automation & Screening) Conference & Exhibition in Washington, DC.

Dr. Kallioniemi is Professor and Director of FIMM – the Institute for Molecular Medicine Finland, an international research institution at the University of Helsinki formed in partnership with the European Molecular Biology Laboratory (EMBL).

Dr. Kallioniemi received his M.D., Ph.D. and residency in laboratory medicine at the University of Tampere in Finland, after which he undertook a post doc at UC San Francisco and was appointed faculty at the National Human Genome Research Institute, at the NIH. He founded and developed the Medical Biotechnology group at Turku, Finland together with the VTT Technical Research Centre and University of Turku.

Olli Kallioniemi is an author of 336 publications, a member of the editorial board of six journals and invited lecturer in over 100 meetings during the past 4 years. In addition, he is the inventor and co-inventor of 20 issued patents, with a focus on diagnostic technology development, such as FISH and Comparative Genomic Hybridization, tissue microarrays, cell-based RNAi microarrays and bioinformatics.

Prof. Kallioniemi's group is currently active in individualized systems medicine of cancer, with a special focus on translational research to improve diagnostics and therapy of leukemia.

For more information regarding ALDA, contact Mike Duff, President, at 703-647-6214. More information regarding ALDA, its purposes, objectives and programs, and links to its members' websites can be found at [www.thealda.org](http://www.thealda.org)

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