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Mark Fisher Certified as ABMM Diplomate

WASHINGTON, DC—September 29, 2008—Mark Fisher, PhD, Assistant Professor of Pathology and Assistant Medical Director, ARUP Infectious Disease Laboratory, University of Utah, Salt Lake City, is now a certified Diplomate of the American Board of Medical Microbiology (ABMM). Dr. Fisher received his PhD from Emory University, Atlanta, GA. To earn the ABMM credential, Dr. Fisher first met rigorous educational and experiential eligibility requirements and then passed a comprehensive written examination. He has demonstrated the knowledge and skills necessary to direct laboratories engaged in the microbiological diagnosis of human disease.

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