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Over the course of the last 25 years, Dr. Kinniburgh has provided exceptional leadership in almost every sector of our profession including: Industry, Academia, Private (community) Laboratory and the Acute Care Hospital sector. His rather unique career path has included significant contributions in senior administration, clinical service, education and basic and translational research.

In his role at Isotechnika, Dave provided an important perspective on linking new drug and diagnostic applications to direct patient care. At DKML, as a member of the senior management team, he ensured that the Clinical Biochemist perspective was incorporated into day to day operations and strategic planning. In his current role as Director of the Alberta Centre for Toxicology he is a respected leader in the field of toxicology.

At the professional society level, Dr. Kinniburgh has been an active member of the AACC, CSCC and the IATDMCT. He is a founding member of the CACB and served as President of the Alberta Society of Clinical Chemists from 1987 to 1989. He provided strong and steady leadership as the Congress Co-Chair CSCC of the Canadian Laboratory Medicine Congress in Calgary AB in 2002 in what would turn out to be a very challenging experiment of a joint CSCC–CAP–CSLMS conference.

I would like to end by commenting on Dave's tremendous contributions to the CSCC itself. Joining Council as Treasurer in 2002 and serving 2 terms ending in 2008, Dave brought remarkable insight and knowledge to managing the Society's finances including converting from a manual to electronic bookkeeping system. His vision, wisdom and advice steered the Society through many difficult financial issues and decisions ensuring the financial health and sustainability of both the Society and *Clinical Biochemistry* (in his tandem role as Managing Editor). His calm demeanor and balanced approach was appreciated by those who were fortunate to serve with him on Council.