



The International League of Dermatological Societies - Newsletter

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Scientific Program Committee

The Scientific Program Committee of the 23rd World Congress of Dermatology met in New York, the Big Apple, between November 9 and 11, 2012. Prior to the meeting, Dr. Jean Bolognia, the Chair of the

Member societies of the ILDS at large have been solicited likewise in order to demonstrate the universal nature of this congress and to match its theme of "Global Celebration of Dermatology".

our practices and above all to maintain the tradition of excellence, long known for the World Congress of Dermatology.



Committee, had been diligently working hard with the membership in designing the components of the scientific sessions, drafting and seeking nominations for the chairs, co-chairs, and speakers of these sessions. "Rising stars" will be a unique feature of this congress and will certainly reflect the commitment of the President and his Board of Directors to promote and advance a generation of dermatologists and dermatologists in the global arena.

The comprehensive and versatile sessions of the scientific program sessions have been carefully crafted to provide dermatologists across the world with highly educational material reflective of the entire spectrum of our specialty. In preparing the menu of this upcoming congress, the objective/s will be to fulfil the expectations and needs of our fellow dermatologists and to illustrate the evolving trends in

All the attendees of this meeting have been impressed by the progress of work thus far attained and are looking forward to an exciting and thrilling experience in Vancouver 2015

See you there



Dermlink

Application Information

Application Forms have been sent to all Societies; these can also be downloaded from the ILDS website.

Official application forms only will be considered.

Please observe the following guidelines for your application:

- The application must be submitted in English
- The application must be submitted by an Officer of an ILDS Member or Affiliate Member Society in good standing (Membership Fees paid up to date as at date of submission)
- The scheme is designed to assist projects in resource-poor regions
- A letter justifying the need for the support (maximum of two A4 pages) must accompany the application.
- The maximum amount that can be provided is US \$3,000 per project (US\$5000 for a field project)

Grants for Teaching Materials and Equipment:

Successful applicants will be required to furnish proof of purchase and photographic evidence of the equipment in situ.

List type of equipment requested (for example, microscope, liquid nitrogen thermos, reactive and other laboratory substances, slide projector, teaching slides) or publication title, and the estimated purchase cost (equivalent of US \$) to include shipping costs.

Training or Project Grants

Successful applicants will be expected to provide a short report on the work accomplished

- a) Short-term (1-8 weeks) specific training grants are available for dermatologists who are members of an ILDS Member Society or Affiliate Member Society based in developing countries. Provide the name of the individual below, and attach a two-page outline providing background of candidate, goal of training, where the applicant will train, and why there is a need for assistance.
- b) For long-term training the ILDS can only facilitate contact and identify potential funding sources. If you wish the ILDS to provide such information, please insert the name of the individual, and attach a two-page outline providing background of candidate, goal of training, where the applicant will train, and why there is a need for assistance.
- c) The ILDS can provide initial support for field projects in resource poor regions and this should be discussed with the Chairman of the international Foundation for Dermatology, Professor Roderick Hay, by the nominated contact individual

Please remember: If applying for a) or b) please attach a maximum of two A4 pages explaining the need for assistance. If applying for a training grant please attach a two-page outline providing the candidate's background, the training goal and where the applicant would train.

NOTES:

1. Dermlink Applications for travel grants to conferences will not be considered.
2. Only one application per society may be made.

Closing Date: Friday, 1st March, 2013

Improving Dermatology in Cambodia — An Integrated Approach

Cambodia needs assessment project

Following the rule of the Khmer Rouge Regime (1975-1979) and an ensuing civil war lasting for 20 years health indicators in Cambodia rank among the worst in Asia. Cambodia has a poor and largely rural population and, among many other disastrous consequences of the former regime, an almost non-existent dermatovenereological care. Rebuilding the country and its health infrastructure has been a long

Since 2005, the UHS has offered a “Diploma Course Dermatology“ of 18 months duration in which, so far, 38 post-graduates have been trained. In ten modules comprising at least 40 lessons of theoretical and 40 lessons of practical training, the course imparts the basics of dermatology and venereology to trainee medical officers. Participating physicians should thus be able to diagnose and treat the majority of skin diseases in Cambodia. Following suc-

in hospitals outside Phnom Penh, usually with financial support of the German Else Kröner Fresenius-Stiftung.

Activities in quality management in dermatology include

- Definition and implementation of quality-standards in dermatological units,
- Development of diagnostic and therapeutic standards,
- Standardization of dermatological training
- Accreditation and certification of physicians working in dermatology. This work in progress can be achieved only in close cooperation with relevant national institutions and will certainly extend into the next decade.

Several ministries as well as national and international organizations are involved in the development and implementation of health insurance schemes in Cambodia. Despite the fact that (according to a number of international surveys) up to 30% of patients consulting a physician suffer from a disease that falls into the domain of dermatovenereology, there seems to be opposition to realising the importance of the coverage of dermatological care by health insurance. After years of tackling this complex problem positive results have been achieved recently, insofar as several insurance companies have agreed to cover financially the diagnosis and treatment of the 10 most frequent skin diseases in Cambodia.

Up to the end of 2014, activities are financially supported by Else Kröner Fresenius-Stiftung (Germany), allowing the German dermatologist Christoph Bendick to stay in Cambodia as a permanent advisor, covering expenses for the development of skin clinics and providing technical aid. Funds of the International Foundation of Dermatology are being used to support Cambodian course graduates to do internships in dermatology abroad as well as facilitate the ongoing education of Cambodia's pivotal figure in dermatology, Prof. Dr. Mey Sithach.

**Christoph Bendick,
MD Associated Professor
Coordinator Dermatology University
of Health Sciences Phnom Penh,
Cambodia
Phnom Penh,**



and difficult task.

The quality of undergraduate training in dermatology at the only state-run medical university in Cambodia, the University of Health Sciences (UHS) in Phnom Penh, has improved over the last decade. But it is the development of postgraduate training in dermatology, which is also taken care of by the UHS, which offers the greatest chance for the advancement of dermatology in the short term.

While since 2008 there has been a well equipped dermatological unit in the capital Phnom Penh, rural areas where 80% of the Cambodian population live are largely devoid of adequate infrastructure for dermatological care. The need for quality management in dermatology is accepted by the Ministry of Health (MoH) as a necessity, but, in practice, its development has so far been pursued only slowly and hesitantly, on the part of the MoH as well as on the part of consumers. The development of health insurance schemes is well under way, though so far it has proved difficult to integrate dermatological services into the insurance's benefit package.

Successful graduation from the course there is the possibility to complete internships of three months in departments of dermatology in university clinics in Germany and France.

For course graduates, there is a regular offer of access to continuous education in dermatology, usually by lecturers from Germany, Switzerland and the US. A full proposal for a complete five year specialization in dermatology is currently under review in the MoH.

An up to date department of dermatology, which serves patient care as well as teaching/training activities and (on a modest scale) research was opened in 2008 in the centrally located Preah Kossamak-Hospital in Phnom Penh in cooperation with relevant Cambodian authorities and German and French institutions. The department is run by Prof. Dr. Mey Sithach, so far the only fully qualified Cambodian dermatologist. The department serves as a reference institution for all matters dermatological in Cambodia.

Graduates of the diploma course have set up a number of small dermatological units

Vancouver 2015—Will You be There?

**“less than
1,000 days to the
official opening of
the WCD on June
8, 2015”**

There are now less than 1,000 days to the official opening of the WCD on June 8, 2015. Canadian dermatologists eagerly look forward to welcoming over 16,000 participants from around the world.

As part of our global celebration of dermatology, the WCD has invited all International League of Dermatological Societies (ILDS) members, both national and affiliate “sister” societies, to convene their own special half- or full-day meetings on the first day of our Congress. Many ILDS member societies have already signed up to host their own sessions in Vancouver including the American Academy of Dermatology, British Association of Dermatologists, International Society of Dermatology, International Society of Dermatopathology, European Society for Dermatology and Psychiatry, International Skincare Nursing Group, European Society for Photodermatology, Women’s Dermatologic Society, and the American Society for Dermatologic Surgery. Contact the WCD 2015

Congress Secretariat now to reserve your own society’s special meeting space during the World Congress.

The WCD Scientific Program Committee, chaired by Jean Bolognia met in New York City, November 9-11, 2012 for its first major planning

meeting to outline the general structure, topics, chairs and preliminary speakers for the Congress. The Scientific Committee consists of a core of leading international dermatologists who will ensure international representation in a wide variety of subjects that are core to dermatology, dermatologic surgery, and esthetic dermatology. From scientists to patient advocacy groups, there will be a vast range of special sessions to meet everyone’s interests.

You don’t have to wait until 2015 to actually experience the WCD. We will be hosting special WCD Preview Symposia at major international meetings including the AAD in Miami (March 2013) and the 9th Asian Dermatologic Congress in Hong Kong (July 2013). Each half-day WCD Preview Symposium will feature dermatologists from around the world presenting state-of-the-art lectures. Our goals are to give attendees a sample of what they can expect in Vancouver in 2015 as well as build awareness of the value of global knowledge sharing. The first of these symposia will take place in Miami on Saturday, March 2, 2013 at 1400-1700H. Please plan to join us for that session during the AAD.

Over the last several months, our WCD team has been kindly hosted and featured by the 21ST EADV in Prague



**23RD WORLD CONGRESS
OF DERMATOLOGY
VANCOUVER 2015**



(Czech Republic), the Congresso Brasileiro de Dermatologia

in Rio de Janeiro at its centennial celebration (Brazil), the Central Division of the Japanese Dermatological Association in Osaka (Japan), and the Turkish National Dermatologic Congress in Gaziantep (Turkey). Many Thanks to the organizers

of these meetings for their hospitality and for helping us to promote the WCD to their members. The First Announcement Brochure for the WCD has been available since this summer and many ILDS societies have helped us to distribute them to their members. You can download a copy of this brochure from www.derm2015.org. As we move to the next phase of planning, you will soon see our revamped website with highlights of plans for the World Congress, as well as more articles and international presentations highlighting the high-level scientific program you can expect at the WCD 2015.

Jerry Shapiro, President
Harvey Lui, Secretary-General



EADV President's Banquet, Prague, September 2012 – with



President of the Annual Conference of the Central Division of the Japanese Dermatological Association, Osaka, October 2012



Brazilian Dermatology Society Centennial Celebration, Rio de Janeiro, September 2012



WCD 2015 Booth at EADV, Prague, September 2012

Turkish National Dermatologic Congress, Gaziantep, Turkey,





ILDS Certificate of Appreciation

ILDS Certificate of Appreciation 2013

The International League of Dermatological Societies (ILDS), as part of its global work in world dermatology, aims to recognise dermatologists and others in the field of dermatological care which have made an outstanding contribution to improving the outlook for people with skin diseases. The League has a specific ILDS Awards Committee that considers recommendations for individuals which might receive one of our Awards.

One of these Awards is the ILDS Certificate of Appreciation. These Certificates are awarded annually to a number of individuals and are presented to the awardees at various national and international meetings.

Jorge Ocampo-Candiani, the Chair of the ILDS Awards Committee, has written to all our Societies inviting the submission of the Society's nominations. Nomination Forms may be downloaded from the ILDS website where you can also view a list of previous winners.

To assist you in choosing your nominees for the Certificate of Appreciation, your candidate(s) will be considered by the Awards Committee based on the following criteria which should be illustrated in your candidate(s)' CV.

1. Long-term outstanding contribution to clinical, academic or social dermatology, at a national or international level, that is well beyond what would be expected of an individual in his/her normal working life.
2. Work has been of value particularly in developing countries.
3. Individual has been undertaking his/her work in a selfless, a humanitarian and a not-for-profit manner.
4. Number of articles published in peer-reviewed journal(s).
5. Number of books published.
6. Teaching activity.
7. Membership of International Society(ies).
8. Honorary Membership of International Society(ies).
9. International-level mentorship.
10. International Leadership (Executive Member of International Society(ies)).
11. Organization of National or International Congress(es).
12. International Dermatology Programs and Initiatives

Please ensure the Nomination Form is fully completed and return along with a short CV (maximum two pages) of the proposed candidate. Please note that current or previous ILDS Board Members are not eligible for this Award.

We appreciate your time and consideration and look forward to receiving your proposed candidates for this Award by the latest date of **Friday, 1st March, 2013**.

Candidate Nominations will be presented to the Board of the ILDS by the Awards Committee at the ILDS Board Meeting to be held in June, 2013.

Award recipients

Baik-Kee Cho
 Vincent A. Cipollaro
 Juergen Knop
 Gilles Lauzon
 Andrzej Wlodosimierz Langner
 Hideoki Ogawa
 Arnoldus Peter Oranje
 Nikolai Tsankov
 Jouni Uitto
 Luitgard G. Wiest
 Abdelmajid Zahaf



Professor Nilokai Tsankov being presented with the ILDS Certificate of Appreciation 2012 by Professor Roderick Hay at the EADV Meeting in Prague, September, 2012 with Prof. Frank Powell, President of the EADV.



*A superb
panel of
speakers was
invited to
speak at this
meeting*

Members' Corner

18th Chinese Society of Dermatology Annual Congress: a Great Success

The 18th Chinese Society of Dermatology Annual Congress was successfully held in China National Convention Center, Beijing, from June 14th-17th, 2012. This annual meeting was hosted by the Chinese Medical Association and Chinese Society of Dermatology, and organized by the Beijing Medical Association, Peking University College of Dermatology and Venereology, and Peking University People's Hospital. Attracting more than 3600 Dermatology specialists, dermatologists and graduate student participants, this meeting was a wonderful experience and a great success. Prof. Xuejun Zhang (ILDS board member) was the Chairman of this meeting.

A total of 73 academic sessions were held (including the China-US Lymphoma symposium, China-US Melanoma symposium), more than 800 Dermatology specialists and Dermatologists gave presentations followed by in-depth discussions, and over 160 poster presentations were displayed. Over 50 dermatology specialists were invited from the US, Australia, France, Switzerland, Japan, Korea, Singapore, and 17 other countries. Participants from both China and overseas were all very impressed with the number of participants present, the academic success of this meeting, the excellent facility, and the overall organization of this meeting. This year's Chinese Society of Dermatology annual meeting

has reached its most successful point.

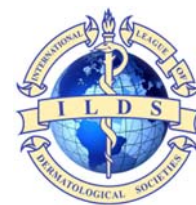
This academic meeting was elaborately organized. Besides the 10 academic sessions, annual selected SCI papers session, outstanding graduate student session, and other sessions held by individual companies, there were more than 30 practical clinical sessions related to the selection and correct usage of medication, such as proper use topical medication, proper antibiotic usage, selection and usages of allergen detection methods, evidence-based medicine session, and a Q and A session where specialists from China answered how to resolve common problems and questions encountered in the clinic. Other sessions emphasized the importance of the relationship between clinical manifestations and pathology, topics covered included vasculitis and panniculitis, Eosinophil related diseases. This meeting created tremendous valuable opportunities to exchange clinical experiences and learn from expertise from all over the world.

A superb panel of speakers was invited to speak at this meeting, special invited guest speakers included: Professor Boris C. Bastian, Professor JT Elder, and Professor Markus Ollert. Not only were these well-known speakers the center of attention at the annual meeting, their lectures appealed to many others attending the EADC as well as the International Symposium on Genetics in Dermatology.

Talks were given with great enthusiasm and inspired many in-depth discussions.

This year's annual meeting was a resounding success, and is an unforgettable meeting. Many thanks go out to Chinese Medical Association, the Chinese Society of Dermatology, the Beijing Medical Association, Peking University College of Dermatology and Venereology, Peking University People's Hospital, and our many volunteers and supporters who contributed to make this meeting possible. We would also like to thank each company who for their help and support. The success of this meeting is due to everyone's hard work put together, we look forward to another successful meeting in Chengdu next year!

**Chinese Society of
Dermatology**



2nd EADC Conference in Beijing

The second Eastern Asia Dermatology Congress (EADC) Conference was successfully held in China National Convention Center, Beijing, from June 12th-15th, 2012. The EADC Conference is the merging of the "China-Japan Joint Meeting of Dermatology" and "Japan-Korea Joint Meeting of Dermatology," and is an Asian Regional Conference co-started by the Chinese Society of Dermatology, the Japanese Dermatological Association, and the Korean Dermatological Association. The first EADC biennial conference took place in Fukuoka, Japan, and had more than 800 participants. This year's conference, hosted by the Chinese Society of Dermatology, marks the second EADC conference to take place. The scale of this year's conference greatly exceeds the previous conference, demonstrating that not only is China's economy booming, but also improving academically.

For this conference, a total of 721 written reports and 706 poster presentations were submitted, and 24 academic sessions were held. Participants came from all over the world, and there were a total of 1200 participants from Japan, Korea, Singapore, India, Sri Lanka, Vietnam, and China. There were 17 main topics in which were

covered in the forms of lectures, special discussions, clinical case presentations, and other forms of presentations and discussions.

Topics covered include the research and clinical progress of diseases such as allergic diseases, autoimmune bullous diseases, psoriasis, skin tumors, cosmetic dermatology and dermatologic surgery, sexually transmitted diseases, skin disease treatments, infectious skin diseases.

Professor Vincent Piguet from Cardiff University, Wales, UK, was specially invited, and gave a marvelous report on the cutaneous manifestations of HIV infection. Presentations were followed by in-depth discussions, particularly discussions regarding clinical pathology.

The organizing committees greatly value the work of EADC. Overall, each participant left with a positive impression and pleasant experience. Various letters expressing praises and appreciation for hosting this large scale conference, for the academic success and exchanges, as well as activities, was received

from Professor Vincent Piguet from Cardiff University, Wales UK, Professor Ogawa Hideoki, the CEO of Jun-tendo University, Professor Hyung Ok Kim, the Chairman of the Korean Dermatological Association, Professor Dongsik Bang from Yonsei University, Korea, Professor Fumio Kaneko from Fukushima University, Japan, and many other Professors and specialists both from China and overseas. Professor Ogawa Hideoki wrote a letter to the organizing committee, expressing "I would like to congratulate you and your colleagues for the excellent organization for the 2nd EADC and your annual meeting in Beijing. It was indeed outstanding scientifically and socially." These letters of appreciation and praises have confirmed that we have achieved the goal of hosting a conference that is internationally recognized.

The First International Dermatogenetics Workshop in Beijing

The First International Dermatogenetics Workshops (IDGW) has been held successfully in China National Convention Center (Beijing) from 12th to 14th, June, 2012. This workshop was hosted by Chinese Society of Dermatology. Professor Zhang Xuejun (ILDS board member) and Professor Zhang Xue acted as the co-chairmen of this workshop. There are 300 participants and 10 foreign experts took part in this workshop, and 20 young scholars showed their latest research results. The workshop held five sections: Plenary Speech, Monogenic Disease, Hair Disease, Skin Com-

plex Diseases and Free communication. Prof. Evan Eichler, Rudolf Happle, JT Elder, Richard Spritz and etc were invited to take presentations. They brought their new viewpoints and the forefront of science in the world. Chinese dermatologists enjoyed fully communications with them.

The Second International Dermatogenetics Workshop (2013) will be held in Chengdu, China.



Member's Corner

Indian Society of Teledermatology



Indian Society of Teledermatology

International Dermatology Update- 4.2.2012

As we Start, Inaugurate & Celebrate...



Indian Society of Teledermatology in CME partnering IADVL Chennai City Branch

27.5.2012- Hair Disorders



25.7.2012 - Vasculitis



International Dermatology Update 2012 - organized by INSTED in collaboration with Dowling Club

International Dermatology Update 2012, the first of its kind organized by INSTED in collaboration with the Dowling Club, provided history adding to the legacy of Chennai in ways more than one. Topping the list is the first time visit of the Dowling Club to India, secondly, the Scientific Programme covering an array of special topics of great interest to young investigators, specifically designed for those in the early stages of their career being the additional charm.

Indian Society of Teledermatology partnered IADVL Chennai City Branch in conducting CME on Vasculitis

CME on Hair Disorders was conducted to train students and qualified specialists in Dermatology to recognize, diagnose and treat Disorders of Hair both in Children and adults. To refresh and update knowledge about the pharmacology of therapies used. The scientific program included

Short Presentations: by Post Graduate Students followed by Lecture:

1. Minoxidil – “Molecular facet, Mode of action and Management etiquette
2. “Versatile Approach to Non Scarring Alopecia” - Dermatologist's Viewpoint

Discussion: on Approach to hair disorder and management strategies

Indian Society of Teledermatology partnered IADVL Chennai City Branch in conducting CME on Vasculitis

CME on Vasculitis was conducted to train students and qualified specialists in Dermatology to recognize, diagnose

and treat children and adults with vasculitis, differentiate them from closely mimicking conditions like vasculopathy. To refresh and update knowledge about the pathogenesis, investigations and therapies used in the management of vasculitis.

The scientific program included

Short Presentations: by Post Graduate Students

Lecture:

1. Preface to pathogenesis of vasculitis
2. Clinical approach to a case of vasculitis

Discussion: on different types of vasculitis and vasculopathies.

Dr. (Mrs) Parimalam Kumar,
Secretary, Indian Society of Teledermatology



Resounding success of the XIX CILAD Congress in Seville



The Ibero Latin American College of Dermatology (CILAD) has just celebrated its XIX Congress in

Seville (Sept. 19th to Sept 22nd) with resounding success. Some figures that summarize this success are: more than 150 scientific sessions, 500 posters, more than 500 scientific communications and over 3000 attendees. The implementation of advanced technology was one of the most important features of this event. The opening ceremony and several scientific events were broadcast live to dermatologists

worldwide. Likewise, it was possible to see lectures within 3 hours, through computers located in the coffee area. All the above mentioned, made it possible to offer a cutting edge congress, which was a reflection of the high scientific level of all CILAD members.

The President of the Congress was Dr. Julian Conejo-Mir, Professor and Director of the Department of Dermatology at the Virgen del Rocío Hospital, in Seville. Also some distinguish dermatologists such as Dr. Francisco Camacho and Dr. Jerónimo Escudero, from Seville; Dr. José Carlos Moreno Giménez, President of the Spanish Academy of Dermatology and Venereology; Dr. Hugo Vazquez Veiga, from Santiago de Compostela;

Dr. Lola Bou, from Barcelona and Dr. Juan José Vilata, from Valencia; were members of the organizing committee with the full support of the CILAD Board led by Dr. Carlos Fernando Gatti, and the CILAD National Delegates.

The topics covered in the Congress are of greatest concern to the entire global dermatology community, including: skin cancer, skin infections, immune diseases and skin aging.

During the Ordinary Assembly held on Friday 21st, the new Board of Directors was elected. The bid led by Dr. Jorge Ocampo Candiani, was proclaimed to run the CILAD for the period 2013-2016. The CILAD Board from 2013 will be:

President

1st. Vice President

2nd Vice-President

3rd Vice-President

Secretary General

Treasurer

Vocals

Director of Medical Education

Director of Scientifics Affairs

Director of International Affairs

Director of the Medical Assistance Program and Educational

Director of Medicina Cutánea Ibero Latinoamericana Journal

Jorge Ocampo Candiani (Mexico)

Rafael Isa Isa (Dominican Republic)

Julian Conejo-Mir (Spain)

Omar Lupi de Rosa Santos (Brazil)

Ricardo Alfonzo Perez (Venezuela)

Horacio Cabo (Argentina)

Manuel del Solar (Peru)

Montserrat Molgó (Chile)

Patricia Chang (Guatemala)

Enrique Uraga (Ecuador)

Juan José Vilata (Spain)

Silvio Alencar Marquez (Brazil)

Juan Fernando Barbera (Spain)Alpha

Dr. Jorge Ocampo Candiani enthusiastically introduced his Board, as what he considers the best team with the best program to lead the College in next 4 years. It aims to bring innovation, efficiency and responsibility, in order to improve the quality of Ibero Latin American Dermatology. Following the work done by the current Board in the last few years, this new group intends to review briefly four key areas, to create a more efficient institution that helps dermatologists to improve their professional skills, scientific knowledge, research needs and academic expertise.

The XX CILAD Congress will be held in the city of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, from November 15th to November 18th, 2014.

Also, during that Ordinary Assembly, it was decided that the venue of the XXI Ibero Latin American Congress of Dermatology will be Buenos Aires, Argentina, during October 2016.



Opening Ceremony CILAD XIX Congress Seville



Nomination of the New President Professor Jorge Ocampo Candiani, Mexico

Society for Cutaneous Ultrastructure Research



**Society for Cutaneous Ultrastructure Research
39th Annual SCUR Meeting LYON, France, 23th – 25th of May, 2012.**



The Society for Cutaneous Ultrastructure Research maintains its primary interest in promoting research in Electron Microscopy while combining modern visualization techniques and approaches

including molecular biology followed by LM- or EM-observations, applied to skin biology and pathology, in order to advance the understanding of human skin ultrastructure and physiology in health and disease.

An excellently organized and well scheduled 39th Annual SCUR Meeting took place in LYON, France, May 2012 (Local Organizers: Prof. Marek Haftek & Prof. J. Kanitakis) The conference was attended by some 60 Dermatologists, Dermatopathologists and researchers personally involved in cutaneous research and diagnostics or who have interest in the large spectrum of techniques applied to skin research, experimental Dermatology, and comparative or diagnostic

examination of (human and animal) cutaneous tissue.

The Conference was held in the Lecture Hall of the International Agency for Research on Cancer (WHO) and started with a special **E²BRN & COST SkinBAD** session on skin barrier structure and function. The second and third day of the Annual SCUR Meeting was filled with an interesting mixed programme including four invited lectures by renowned speakers and 25 specific presentations from skin barrier structure and function to experimental and diagnostic structural work using more or less sophisticated and modern microscopical approaches combined with immunohistochemical, immunofluorescence and molecular methods. Finally, in a specific poster viewing session 12 posters were presented with an opportunity for comments and critical discussion.

The Abstracts of the Meeting have been published in



Exptl. Dermatol. (EXD, WILEY) 21/09, e1-e7, 2012 and can be accessed (for free) online) on the webpage URL: <http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1111/j.1600-0625.2012.01574.x/pdf>.

The Meeting was scientifically outstanding, creative and successful, nevertheless not lacking a familiar, collegial atmosphere with fruitful personal face-to-face discussions. There was also time for a splendid Social Dinner evening in one of the typical Lyon Bistros enjoying the rich regional Cuisine Lyonnaise (Lyonnaise kitchen) and 'liquid fruits' from the marvellous vineyards around Lyon, this way rounding off and emphasizing also the social aspect of our SCUR meetings.

Dr. Wolfgang MUSS
(Secretary of SCUR)





Societies of the League

Algerian Society of Dermatology
 American Academy of Dermatology
 American Dermatological Association
 American Society of Dermatopathology
 Argentine Association of Dermatology
 Argentine Society of Dermatology
 Asociacion Guatemalteca De Dermatologia
 Association of Bangkok Alumni of Dermatology - Pakistan
 Association of Dermato-Venerologists of Latvia
 Association of Italian Clinical Dermatologists (AIDA)
 Association of Professors of Dermatology
 Austrian Society of Dermatology and Venereology
 Brazilian Society of Dermatology
 British Association of Dermatologists
 Bulgarian Dermatological Society
 Canadian Dermatology Association
 Canadian Society for Dermatologic Surgery
 Chilean Society of Dermatology and Venereology
 Chinese Society of Dermatology
 Circulo Dermatologico Del Peru (CIDERM- Peru)
 Colombian Association of Dermatology and Dermatologic Surgery
 Cosmetic Dermatology Society (India) (CDSI)
 Croatian Dermatovenerological Society of the Croatian Medical Association
 Cyprus Society of Dermatology and Venerology
 Czech Academy of Dermatovenereology
 Czech Dermatovenereology Society
 Danish Dermatological Society
 Dermatologic Society of Iceland
 Dermatological Society of Malaysia
 Dermatological Society of Mauritius
 Dermatological Society of Singapore
 Dermatological Society of South Africa
 Dermatological Society of Thailand
 Dermatovenereology Association of Turkey
 Dutch Society of Dermatology and Venerology
 Ecuadorean Association of Dermatology and Allied Sciences
 Ecuadorian Society of Dermatology
 Finnish Dermatological Society
 French Society of Dermatological Research
 French Society of Dermatology
 German Dermatological Society
 Hellenic Society for Dermatologic Surgery
 Hong Kong College of Dermatologists
 Hungarian Dermatological Society
 Indian Association of Dermatologists, Venerologists and Leprologists
 Indian Society of Teledermatology
 Indonesian Society of Dermatology & Venereology
 International-Italian Society of Plastic-Aesthetic and Oncological Dermatology (ISPLAD)
 Iranian Society of Dermatology
 Irish Association of Dermatologists
 Israel Society of Dermatology & Venereology
 Italian Association of Hospital Dermatologists
 Italian Society of Aesthetic and Corrective Dermatology (S.I.D.E.C.)
 Italian Society of Allergological, Occupational and Environmental Dermatology (SIDAPA)
 Italian Society of Dermatology
 Italian Society of Surgical and Oncological Dermatology (SIDCO)
 Ivoirienne Society of Dermatology & Venereology
 Japanese Dermatological Association
 Japanese Organization of Clinical Dermatologists
 Japanese Society for Investigative Dermatology
 Japanese Society of Pediatric Dermatology
 Korean Dermatological Association
 Kuwait Society of Dermatologists
 Lebanese Dermatological Society
 Maltese Association of Dermatology & Venereology
 Mexican Academy of Dermatology
 Mexican Society of Dermatologic Surgery & Oncology (SMCDO)

Mexican Society of Dermatology
 Mongolian Dermatological Society
 Moroccan Society of Dermatology
 National Medical Association, Dermatology Section
 New Zealand Dermatological Society Inc
 Norwegian Society of Dermatology and Venereology (NSDV)
 Pakistan Association of Dermatologists
 Paraguayan Society of Dermatology
 Peruvian Society of Dermatology
 Philippine Academy of Clinical and Cosmetic Dermatology
 Philippine Dermatological Society
 Polish Dermatological Society
 Portuguese Society of Dermatology and Venereology
 Romanian Society of Dermatology
 Royal Belgian Society for Dermatology & Venereology
 Russian Society of Dermatovenereologists and Cosmetologists
 Salvadorian Association of Dermatology
 Saudi Society of Dermatology and Dermatologic Surgery
 Serbian Association of Dermatovenereologists
 Slovak Dermatovenereological Society
 Society for Investigative Dermatology
 Society for Pediatric Dermatology
 Society of Dermatologists, Venereologists and Leprologists of Nepal (SODVELON)
 Society of Dermatovenereology (Turkey)
 Spanish Academy of Dermatology and Venereology
 Sri Lanka College of Dermatologists
 Swedish Society for Dermatology and Venereology
 Swiss Society of Dermatology & Venerology
 Syrian Arab Society of Dermatology
 Taiwanese Dermatological Association
 The Australasian College of Dermatologists
 The Hellenic Society of Dermatology & Venereology (HSDV)
 The Hong Kong Society of Dermatology & Venereology
 Tunisian Society of Dermatology and Venereology
 Turkish Society of Dermatology
 Uruguayan Dermatological Society
 Venezuelan Society of Dermatology & Dermatologic Surgery
 Vietnamese Society of Dermatology and Venereology

Affiliate Societies

African Association for Dermatology
 African Dermatovenereology Association
 Asian Dermatological Association
 Association of French Speaking Dermatologists
 Caribbean Dermatology Association
 European Academy of Dermatology and Venereology
 European Dermatology Forum
 European Immunodermatology Society
 European Society for Dermatological Research
 European Society for Dermatology and Psychiatry
 European Society for Pediatric Dermatology
 European Society for Photodermatology
 European Society of Contact Dermatitis
 Ibero Latin American College of Dermatology
 International Academy of Cosmetic Dermatology
 International Committee for Dermatopathology
 International Forum for the Study of Itch (IFSI)
 International Skin Care Nursing Group (ISNG)
 International Society for Biophysics and Imaging of the Skin (ISBS)
 International Society for Cutaneous Lymphomas
 International Society for Dermatologic Surgery
 International Society of Dermatology
 International Society of Dermatopathology
 International Union Against Sexually Transmitted Infections
 Latin American Pediatric Dermatology Society
 Pacific Dermatologic Association
 Pan Arab League of Dermatology
 Society for Cutaneous Ultrastructural Research
 South Asian Regional Association of Dermatologists,
 Venereologists and Leprologists
 The Palestinian Society of Dermatology & Venereology
 Women's Dermatologic Society



We are pleased to welcome the following Societies into the League as of 1st January, 2013

International Psoriasis Council
Dermatology Nurses' Association
Association of Cutaneous Surgeons (India)
Gulf Corporation Council League of Dermatologists (GCCLD)
Italian Society for Trichology (SITRI)
American Society for Dermatologic Surgery

From The Administrative Office:

Good News from the President

New Member of Staff

We now have an additional member of administrative staff, Mrs. Annette Gleich, who will be supporting, and improving Mrs Eve Arnold in the administration of the ILDS. This post is initially for one day per week, building up to a greater involvement in the future. We are all delighted, and extremely fortunate, to have Mrs Gleich on board especially as the skills and experience that she possesses will complement the processes we currently have in place. I am sure you will all join me in welcoming Annette to the ILDS and wish her every success in her endeavours on our behalf. Annette's current email address is: annette.gleich@ifd.org



Newsletter Deadlines for 2013

We have prepared a schedule for your submission to our regular Newsletters. When submitting your articles, please remember to include your Society's logo and relevant photographs in a word document.

Submission to ILDS Administrative Office

28th February 2013
28th May 2013
28th July 2013
28th November 2013

Newsletter Distribution dates to all Societies

15th March 2013
15th June 2013
15th September 2013
15th December 2013

ILDS Society Information Update Form

As per our Memorandum and Articles of Association, we have written to you to ascertain the number of members of your Society as at 30 November, 2012. May we please ask you to take a few minutes to complete the form sent to you on 22nd November, 2012 and return it to the Administrative Office before Monday, 27th December, 2012.

By completing all the sections in the form, we will be able to update all your Society's details on our database thereby ensuring that you receive relevant and timely communications from us as well as from the Organizing Committee of the 23rd World Congress of Dermatology. Please contact us if you have any questions.

What's New

If you would like to have your up and coming meetings displayed on our website, please visit the following web page and insert the information. A note to us to say that you have included the information will result in the submission going live.

<http://web.ilds.org/cms/index.php?page=add-a-new-event>

And, of course, if you have any questions on any items, please feel free to contact us.

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