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FROM THE SECRETARY-GENERAL:

As I reflect on the year that passed, it is impossible not to note that 365 days summarily went almost unnoticed. Busy days (and some nights) kept the Executive Committee members and the standing committees on their toes. Assignments had to be fulfilled, new ideas developed, concerns resolved and plans to perfect activities were instituted.



2010 was a great year! Membership campaign was high, the number of mentees approved was utmost at 17, the new skin of the website was launched, the first Continental congress resulted in 30 new ISD membership, the regional meetings in India, Malta and Ethiopia were successful, the sister society meetings at the EADV (Gothenburg) and the CILAD (Cancun) aroused interest, the climate change symposium in Argentina was well received, the workshop in India on traditional medicine was met with great interest, and preparations for the XI International Congress of Dermatology in Greater Noida, India, is underway. The *International Journal of Dermatology (IJD)* renewed its contract with Wiley-Blackwell. Because of its excellent scientific content and fine format, the impact factor has really been increasing each year.

The International Society of Dermatology's leadership is now optimistic that 2011 will be another fruitful year.

A quick glance at the activities for 2011 is seen on page 9.

I strongly encourage members to join the activities of the ISD, and there are many ways to do so:

- Share with us your knowledge and expertise by submitting articles/commentaries/letters to the editor of the *IJD*.
- Help us promote unity and camaraderie by joining us at the ISD Reception at the AAD in New Orleans (Hilton Riverside, February 7, 2011, at 5:30PM).
- Encourage membership by inviting your colleagues to join ISD and be part of its goals in promoting dermatology worldwide.
- Take part in the *ISD Connection* by sharing exciting articles. Let us know what interests you best.

As for me, serving ISD has many gains to commit to memory. Networking and friendship with international colleagues and being able to contribute to the goals of the Society are feats worthy of looking back to someday.

A joyous, successful and healthy 2011! Very truly yours,

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Evangeline B. Handog, MD Secretary-General, International Society of Dermatology

Correction

It has been brought to the attention of the *ISD Connection* editors that there were a few inaccuracies in the article "Dermatology Beyond Borders: Banaue, Ifugao, Philippines" (*ISD Connection*, Vol. 4, No. 3, Fall 2010 Issue). We apologize for the errors. The following are the corrections:

- Dr. Antonio Ligot, a Filipino surgeon based in Banaue, seeing the need of the Ifugao populace for dermatologic consults, conceptualized this Banaue Dermatological Mission.
- Dr. Ida Tiongco, a Filipina Clinical Associate Professor of Dermatology at Weill Cornell Medical College and a

- practicing dermatologist at New York Presbyterian Weill Cornell Medical Center, spearheaded the dermatological mission since 2001, every January, with dermatology residents and alumnae of UERRMMC.
- The Mission has always been supported by the Good News Clinic and Hospital (Banaue), UERM Medical Foundation and Home Reach Foundation (both U.S.-based) and anonymous donations from Dr. Tiongco's classmates, friends and relatives.
- PDS started to join the mission in 2003 and formalized its participation and support in 2009.

Preya Kullavanijaya: First Southeast Asian Maria Duran Medalist by Evangeline B. Handog and Ma. Juliet E. Macarayo

The firsts are always special. The first house, the first born, the first car, the first trip abroad, these are always memorable and special.

Former Director of the Institute of Dermatology, President of Dermatological Society of Thailand and Chairperson of the Asian Dermatological Association, Dr. Preya Kullavanijaya became the first Southeast Asian to be awarded the prestigious International Society of Dermatology (ISD) Maria Duran medal. Dr. Preya, as she is fondly called, is currently Advisor to the Ministry of Public Health's Department of Medical Services and to the Institute of Dermatology and serves as Chair of the Thai Board of Dermatology Training and Examination. Dr. Preya joins the short list of medalists given by ISD since 2002 (Refer to the complete list on page 5).

The prestigious Maria Duran Medal is given to honor the memory of the late Dr. Maria M. Duran (Colombia), who was Secretary-General of the ISD for 10 years then Executive Vice-President. Dr. Duran's dedication, selflessness and concern for women and children earned her much admiration and respect among her colleagues at home and abroad.

The 2010 Maria Duran medals were given to two wonderful women: Dr. Inderjeet Kaur (India) and Dr. Preya Kuallavanijaya (Thailand). The former received her medal in New Delhi last January while the latter was awarded during a formal ceremony at the Regional Congress of Dermatology held in Kota Kinabalu, Sabah, Malaysia last October.

Dr. Kullavanijaya's path in Dermatology started with her Clinical Attachment to Dr. Brian Russell's Dermatology Clinic at North Middlesex Hospital, London, England, in 1968. Three years later, she earned her Diploma in Dermatology at the Institute of Dermatology, St. John's Hospital for Diseases of the Skin in

From left to right: Evangeline Handog, MD, congratulates 2010 Maria Duran medalist Preya Kullavanijaya, MD, along with Maria Duran Committee member Ma. Teresita Gabriel, MD

London, and by 1978, she became a Research Fellow at the Contact Dermatitis Clinic of the same hospital. She then became a Diplomate (Thai Medical Board of Dermatology) by 1984 and a year after, she earned her Fellowship to the Royal College of Physicians (FRCP) Thailand. Her meritorious drive prospered and in 1995, she had her Master's Degree from Thailand's National Defense College and Honorary Doctorate Degree in Medical Science, (DScMed) at Mahidol University. At present, she is a Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians in London (FRCP), Tokyo's Juntendo University School of Medicine, the American Dermatological Association and the Japanese Dermatological Association.

Her excellence in the field of dermatology was recognized by various local and international organizations. Her achievements through her leadership, research capabilities and service to her patients and colleagues did not go unnoticed through the years. Significantly, she was bestowed the Outstanding Lady Award, Government Sector (2001) by no less than Princess Somsawalee at Sukothai Palace. Her educational leadership as a member of the Editorial Board of the JAAD (2004-2008) was recognized in 2008 and most recently (2009), the ILDS appreciated her outstanding achievement in Dermatology.

Dr. Preya has authored six Thai dermatological books, 54 publications in Thai medical journals, and 40 publications in international medical journals.

Congratulations, Dr. Preya! We value your work, we admire your persona, and we salute your contribution to dermatology!



From left to right: 2010 Maria Duran Fellow Dr. Juliana Boza and 2010 Maria Duran Lecturer Prof. Margarita Larralde.

Maria Duran Medalists

2010 Inderjeet Kaur, MD India Preya Kullavanijaya, MD Thailand 2009 Jana Hercogova, MD Czech Republic 2008 Wilma Bergfeld MD, USA Rachel Birnbaum, MD Israel 2007 Lourdes Tamayo, MD Mexico Antonella Tosti, MD Italy 2006 Zenab El-Gothamy, MD Egypt 2005 Marcia Ramos e-Silva, MD Brazil Ana Kaminsky, MD Brazil 2004 Shengqing Ma, MD China 2002 Luna Azulay Abulafia, MD Brazil Boni E. Elewski, MD USA Mercedes Florez, MD Colombia Stefania Jablonska, MD Poland Darina Jarcusková, MD Slovak Republic Anna Fadrhoncová, MD Czech Republic Anna Kobza-Black, MD United Kingdom Nerella Petrini, MD Italy Diane Roseeuw, MD Belgium Luitgard Wiest, MD Germany

Jazz Break with ISD ISD Reception at the 2011 AAD Annual Meeting in New Orleans



Monday, February 7, 2011 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM Hilton Riverside Hotel Jefferson Room

Mark your calendars for the coolest reception at the AAD. Join your ISD colleagues, and welcome new members, for the annual ISD reception. It's a great chance to learn about all

the exciting ISD news and activities underway. See you there!

To RSVP, go to www.intsocderm.org/i4a/pages/index.cfm?pageID=3377

22nd World Congress of Dermatology

The International Society of Dermatology, as a member of the International League of Dermatologic Societies (ILDS), will be an active participant in the upcoming ILDS 22nd World Congress of Dermatology (WCD).

Ancillary Meeting

Members are encouraged to attend (and bring colleagues) to the ISD Ancillary Society Meeting (May 24, 2011). The meeting will combine highlights of the society's activities, a special session on Community Dermatology and the presentation of the WCD Travel Award scholarships. It is a great opportunity to meet with ISD leadership and meet other members. There is no fee to attend the Ancillary Meetings, but we do ask you to RSVP at www.intsocderm.org by April 30.

Young Leaders Program

In an effort to increase our outreach to young dermatologists, ISD will distribute one-year memberships to young dermatologists at the WCD who have demonstrated that they are future leaders in dermatology. Proof of leadership potential would include participation in the WCD program (oral or poster) as well as criteria outlined on the ISD website (www.intsocderm.org). Eligible dermatologists can register by visiting the ISD Booth #G036 during the exhibit hours. The Young Leaders Program is supported by an unrestricted educational grant from Galderma.

ISD Ancillary Meeting Program in Brief

Date May 24, 2011

Time: 8:00 AM - 12:00 Noon

Place: COEX Convention and Exhibition Center, Seoul, Korea

Room: Hall E 3

Program Chairs Evangeline Handog, MD, Jana Hercogova, MD and Terence Ryan, MD

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8:00	0 Light Breakfast					
8:30	0 Welcome to the ISD Ancillary Meeting					
8:35	Overview of ISD Programs					
8:45	ISD Program Highlights					
9:00	2:00 Presentation of WCD Travel Award recipients					
9:10	9:10 Join ISD for the XI ICD in India					
9:15	Coffee Break					
9:30 Skincare for All: Community Dermatology Session in memory of Dr. Darrell Wilkinson						
10:00	Assessing Dermatological Need and Burden of Disease					
10:30	The International Skin Care Nursing Group					
10:50	:50 World Alliance for Wound and Lymphoedema Care					
11:10	Neglected Tropical Skin Diseases					
11:30 The Community Dermatology Task Force's Role in Caring for Sexually Transmitted Diseases						

Concluding Remarks

11:50

A "drop in the ocean" turning into a "seed"

Report on the Fourth International Congress

Dermatological Care for All: Awareness and responsability
9-12 November 2010, Ethiopia
Ugo Fornari
Raffaele Di Palma, Technical Officer at NIHMP Scientific

Coordination Office



At the end of the Congress, in Mekelle, I was telling Bernard Naafs about my terrible disappointment, on returning to Europe after 34 years of work as a doctor in Africa, for having done nothing practically useful for prevention in the long term, and I ended the conversation with the usual expression "just a drop in the ocean...". I was really impressed by Bernard's simple reply: "But that was not a drop, you should call it a *seed*". These few words, besides giving me a glimmer of hope about my work, made me feel that there could not have been anything better than the interesting and successful Congress that just ended to prove that "drops" can turn into "seeds" and start producing fruit, showing in practical terms what can be done to achieve tangible results under extremely difficult conditions.

As it had already happened for the first three meetings, a very interesting aspect of the Congress was the presence of other specialists in various fields, coming from different parts of the world. The fact that having the participation of a psychiatrist, as well as of a surgeon/oncologist, two gynecologists, general practitioners, anthropologists, psychologists and sociologists to contribute to the variety of presentations and subsequent discussions at the meeting, showed the importance given to a combined effort in dealing with the health problems of an individual as a whole.

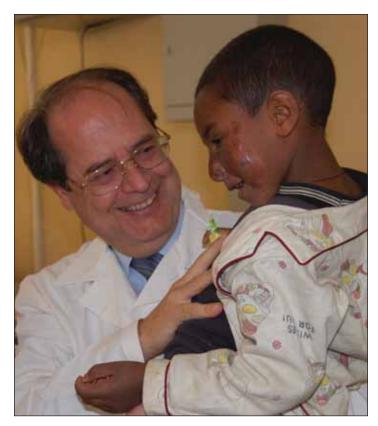
On the first day in Addis Ababa, we were shown an interesting video-conference on AIDS and Global Health, sent by Stefano Vella (Italy). This was followed by a talk given by Sidney Klaus



Congress participants



Patients waiting for a medical visit at Ayder Hospital.



Prof. Aldo Morrone with a young patient.

on the problem of emerging or re-emerging infectious diseases. Terence Ryan presented the problem of water shortage, suggesting a new technology for making water fit for drinking. Claire Fuller dealt with vulvar dermatoses and Mossy foot (Podoconiosis) prevention. Stefano Veraldi (Italy) showed a colour atlas of diseases of the vulva and genital area, and Lucia Romani spoke about her experience on the treatment and prevention of scabies, apparently a potentially very serious disease on the Fiji Islands. Moreover, an extremely interesting Photography Exhibit was organized at the Italian Cultural Institute by NIHMP, with the purpose of presenting the activities of the Italian Dermatological Centre (IDC) at Ayder Hospital in Mekelle and to feature aspects of Ethiopian culture and daily life, particularly in the Tigray Region.

During the following days in Mekelle, speakers on dermatological issues were Ben Naafs who talked about the Differences between White and Black skin and Leprosy, a forgotten disease; Ingvar Lengstam (Sweden) on Cryosurgery; Christoph Geilen (Germany) on Kaposi's sarcoma; D.N. Shimelis (Ethiopia) on a rare case of a patient with signs of primary and secondary syphilis. The Congress ended with a video-documentary, an excursus through the social and health activities of the NIHMP – San Gallicano Hospital from Rome to Mekelle, not only on the activities carried out at the Ayder Hospital, but also about other initiatives, particularly those in favour of neglected children. This is the case of "Casa di Ersilia" where minors in situation of vulnerability and without family support are provided with safe housing and taken care of.



Prof. Ben Naafs (right) discussing a case with Prof. Aldo Morrone (left) and a young patient.

ISD Website updated

Don't forget to check out the ISD's revamped website!

Join in the newly added Discussion Forums, renew your membership dues and access registration information on upcoming meetings at

www.intsocderm.org



The ISD proudly recognizes members who are accomplishing great things and fulfilling the mission of the ISD. Here's a sampling of a few recent notables:

Dr. Uwe Wollina was elected president of the European Society for Cosmetic and Aesthetic Dermatology (ESCAD) during their meeting in Gothenburg, Sweden. He is currently the Vice President of that society and will assume the position of president in 2013.

Dr. Wollina is a Vice President of ISD and Professor of Dermatology and Venereology, Allergology & Environmental Medicine, Chair of the Department of Dermatology & Allergology, Hospital Dresden-Friedrichstadt, Academic Teaching Hospital of the Technical University, Dresden, Germany.

Dr. Ma. Teresita Gabriel (Philippines), member of the Maria Duran Committee, was elected President of the Philippine Dermatological Society. She will serve from 2011-2012. PDS has a membership of nearly 1,000. Congratulations!

Dr. Ma. Juliet E. Macarayo (Philippines), associate editor of ISD Connection, was elected Board Member of the Philippine Dermatological Society, also for the years 2011-2012. PDS is the only specialty society in dermatology accredited by the Philippine Medical Association. Congratulations!

Dr. Aisha Sethi (USA), editor of the ISD Connection, recently served at a mobile skin clinic in Muzzafargarh, Pakistan, to help those in need of medical attention due to the devastating floods that struck the country last July. The following is a link to a Dr. Sethi's radio interview about her volunteer efforts that aired recently on NPR: http://www.wbez.org/episode-segments/skindisease-post-flood-pakistan#

IADVL (Indian Association of Dermatologists, Venereologists and Leprologists) has launched its first ever ONLINE open access Journal under the able stewardship of **Dr. Shyam Verma** (**Director, ISD**). It can be accessed at www.idoj.in and accepts and invites contributions from dermatologists around the world.

ISD member **Dr. Marcia Ramos-e-Silva (Brazil)** was elected President of the 2012 Brazilian Congress of Dermatology. The Brazilian Society of Dermatology commemorates its Centennial in 2012 and this will be a very special meeting with an estimated attendance of 6,000 dermatologists. Congratulations!

To share your news with us, please email your suggestions to info@intsocderm.org

ISD Mentorship Program: A Lesson in Humanistic Medicine

ISD mentorship awardee and dermatology resident Dr. Raja K. Sivamani of Sacramento, Calif. (USA), gained a new perspective on time and distance after spending a month in New Delhi, India, in the Dermatology Department at the All India Institute of Medical Science (AIIMS) with Dr. V.K. Sharma as his mentor.

The AIIMS is a quaternary care research medical center – subsidized by the Indian government – that receives referrals from throughout India and provides free care to patients. Many of their patients are very, very poor and would commute from hundreds to a thousand kilometers away and travel by train, rickshaw and foot for a dermatology visit.

Dr. Sivamani had the opportunity to see many medically complicated diseases – from leprosy to systemic amyloidosis, post kala-azar dermal leishmaniasis to cutaneous TB, Reiter's disease to florid pemphigus. He noted that working within the financial means of the patients was a must for compliance, and something that the faculty at AIIMS did very well.

"My month at AIIMS opened my eyes to the power of medical dermatology and how it can truly change a life. One thousand kilometers and ten minutes represented the independence that the patients gained from their diseases so that they could maintain their integrity and pride and continue to be productive in their communities. It is a lesson that has changed my perspective of medicine immensely."

- Dr. Raja K. Sivamani

For example, Dr. Sivamani explained how they would turn a florid case of pemphigus around and keep the patient under long-term control with outpatient medications that the patient could afford despite their poverty. For patients, the long trek for a 10-minute, follow-up dermatology visit meant the difference between providing for their families or, as he noted, becoming trapped in their disease.

Grateful to the entire faculty at AIIMS, especially Dr. Sharma for serving as his mentor and Dr. M. Ramam for organizing the details of his trip, Dr. Sivamani cannot wait to return to India one day.



Mentorship awardee Dr. Raja K. Sivamani (left) and mentor Dr. V.K. Sharma (right).

ISD Salutes Individual Sponsoring Members

The ISD's **Individual Sponsoring Membership** is a wonderful way to support young dermatologists and dermatology programs worldwide.

Becoming an Individual Sponsoring Member (ISM) is easy. Dues are US \$250 per year, which provides all the benefits of a Regular Member to the ISM and allows the ISM to sponsor 2 additional Associate Members (residents from any country, dermatologists from developing countries, including most African, Asian, Eastern European, Central and South American countries).

ISMs can either allow ISD to select the sponsored members or they can tell ISD who they would like sponsored.

The ISD appreciates the generous support of the following members for their participation in the Individual Sponsoring Membership program:

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Meetings Calendar

February 2011

Monday, February 7, 2011

ISD Reception at the 2011 AAD Jazz Break with ISD Hilton Riverside Hotel, New Orleans Jefferson Room

5:30 PM - 7:30 PM

Opportunity to meet ISD board members and ISD members from around the world, while learning about all the latest programs and events of the ISD. Plus, enjoy cool New Orleans jazz!

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April 2011

April 15-16, 2011

Tropical Dermatology Seminar Chicago, IL USA

University of Chicago & Chicago Dermatological Society

Tropical medicine, tropical dermatology, infectious diseases, and global health seminar. One travel grant to a young dermatologist traveling from outside the US and Canada (preference given to one from a developing country) will be awarded. The travel grant honors Dr. Marshall Blankenship and his contributions to international dermatology.

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May 2011

Wednesday, May 25, 2011

ISD Sister Society Meeting / WCD 2011 Seoul, Korea

World Congress of Dermatology Convention Center Hall E-3 Seoul, Korea

Contact: info@intsocderm.org

July 2011

Wednesday, July 6, 2011 - Saturday, July 9, 2011

Second Continental Congress of Dermatology St. Petersburg, Russia

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Sunday, July 24, 2011 - Friday, July 29, 2011

2nd Munich International Summer Academy of Practical Dermatology Congress Centre Holiday Inn Centre Munich

Continuing education in all aspects of practical dermatology covering the major fields of general dermatology and offering workshops and hands-on courses to promote practical skills in dermatological techniques.

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Travel Award to Honor the Contributions of Dr. Marshall Blankenship to International Dermatology

Tropical Dermatology Seminar April 15-16, 2011 Chicago, IL USA

In conjunction with the Tropical Dermatology Seminar organized by the University of Chicago Section of Dermatology and supported by the Chicago Dermatological Society, ISD is pleased to announce the Marshall Blankenship Travel Award to a resident, fellow or young practicing dermatologist or dermatologist in-training who is 35 years old or younger to attend the meeting from April 15-16, 2011, in Chicago.

Dr. Marshall Blankenship, now retired in his hometown of Chicago, served as an ISD Vice President, Board Member and in numerous voluntary positions including implementing the ISD web site. During his career, he was a strong advocate of international dermatologic education and served as Secretary-Treasurer of the Foundation for International Dermatologic Education. This award is offered in the spirit of fostering the next generation of leaders in global dermatology.

The purpose of the travel grant program is to help defray costs of travel and registration to the meeting, and the award will be given in the amount of \$1,000.00 (US). In addition, the registration fee will be waived. To qualify, applicants must be traveling from outside the U.S. and Canada.

The travel grant will be given to the successful applicant upon his or her arrival at the meeting by Dr. James Ertle, member, ISD Board of Directors.

The scholarship recipient is responsible for making his or her own travel and hotel arrangements.

Applicants must meet the following requirements to be considered for the Travel Award:

- Must be enrolled in a residency program at the time of the meeting (and 35 years of age or younger) or young dermatologists under the age of 35 at the time of the meeting. A copy of the applicant's passport and page stating name and age must be submitted at the time of the application.
- Must submit a personal statement indicating why the applicant should be selected. ISD must also receive a letter of recommendation, preferably from the applicant's present or former training director, by the application deadline.
- Preference will be given to an applicant who has not previously been awarded an ISD scholarship.
- Apply online at www.intsocderm.org. All applications must be submitted online by February 15, 2011.



Attendees of the CILAD Congress held in Cancun, Mexico, November 9, 2010, include (from left to right): Jana Hercogova, Helena Torras, José María Mascaró, Ana Kaminsky and Evangeline Handog.



Left to right: George Reizner, Tania Cestari, Congress President Jorge Ocampo, Colegio Ibero Latino Americano de Dermatologia President Carlos Fernando Gatti, and Evangeline Handog.



From left to right: Tania Cestari, Ivonne Arellano, and Evangeline Handog.



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