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Celebrated Former ISD Historian Reflects on Rich History of ISD



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FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear friends and colleagues,

The seasons in Wisconsin are beginning to change. And with this, our Society looks forward to a full schedule of ISD events. The EADV meeting in Paris kicked off our fall season after the regional meetings held in Hawaii and South Africa. We also have meetings in the Philippines this November and Poland in December, plus our much-anticipated Continental Congress this November in Taiwan. This is in addition to the sister society program at this year's CILAD meeting in Brazil.

At the CILAD meeting, I will be piloting an idea to promote the global impact of the ISD. Dr. Gao from China has graciously accepted to talk about the role of the ISD in his country. Dr. Gao is an outstanding ISD ambassador from the East and feels that the overlap of Asia with Latin America underscores ISD's strength through inclusion and diversity. This idea can be used at future ISD meetings to highlight members who are attending from great distances to build international bridges.

Your Society has been busy working in other areas as well. The mentorship committee, led by Dr. Martin Kassir, has been hard at work updating their procedures and streamlining the matching of mentees with mentors. We are also grateful to the efforts of Tara Winton at the home office who is helping to spearhead these changes.



Dr. Hassan Galadari, ISD Treasurer General, is leading an analysis to assure the financial soundness of the ISD. I'm pleased to report we are on firm footing and are exploring conservative financial instruments to invest our legacy funds.

On another important front, the scientific committee for the XIII ICD Melbourne 2021 has been named, with Dr. John McGrath as chair. The Society is grateful for the time and effort this committee will spend developing the meeting's rich academic program. There will be much activity as we draw from our membership and other outstanding thought leaders to create a dynamic, contemporary program to present cutting-edge information and ideas.

In closing, I wish to emphasize the upcoming planning sessions at the 2019 AAD meeting in Washington, D.C. Please think about the strengths, weaknesses and direction of our Society. The objective will be to articulate where we are and where we want to be five to ten years from now. The ISD is alive and well; its members are active and its programs diverse. We have many successes to look back upon, but it is even more important to focus our energies toward future goals to keep us attractive and relevant both for today's and future members.

With warm regards,

George Reizner, MD
President, International Society of Dermatology

ISD Announces Global Education Awards Available for 24th World Congress of Dermatology

The ISD is pleased to announce it is accepting applications for scholarships to the **24th World Congress of Dermatology** sponsored by the **International League of Dermatological Societies (ILDS)** in Milan, Italy, from June 10-15, 2019.

Who is eligible? ISD members in good-standing who are residents or young dermatologists (35 years old or younger) and who plan to present an oral or poster abstract at the World Congress of Dermatology (WCD).

Applicants must submit an Abstract (oral or poster) to the WCD. Awardees will present a short review of their abstract during the ISD Sister Society Meeting on Monday, June 10, 2019, starting at 8:30 a.m.

This travel grant program is intended to help defray costs of travel and registration to the meeting (including visas). Awards will be given in an amount up to US \$1,500.

The travel grant will be given to successful applicants at the Sister Society meeting. Applications must be submitted online by November 1, 2018. For more information and to apply, visit www.intsocderm.org.



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FROM THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

Dear Friends,

Over the last few months, numerous ISD co-sponsored meetings took place around the world. I refer you to the multiple reports and numerous pictures in the current newsletter.

In addition, we are already looking forward to an eventful schedule for the remainder of the year.

As President Dr. Reizner noted, we had the EADV in Paris and will have the ICC in Taipei in November, as well as regional meetings in the Philippines and Poland. Personally, I am looking forward to seeing you there to learn together and to socialize.



Having attended numerous national and international meetings, both as a participant and on behalf of the ISD, I marvel at the feeling of inclusivity -- a feeling of community amongst dermatologists from all facets of our specialty and from both rural and urban settings around the world. Through these professional relationships and camaraderie, I feel motivated to participate more and to encourage others to join our Society.

A crucial metric of any organization's achievement is the growth via the attraction and retention of new members who believe in the goals and objectives of the Society and reap the many benefits it affords to them.

You, my dear colleagues, might ask why -- at this time and age, when there is a plethora of national and international dermatologic societies -- one would decide to join ISD? To try to come up with a working answer for this, we must look back at the history of ISD.

In 1959, leading dermatologists from different countries gathered together to establish a new international society and to start a journal for tropical medicine that would become the International Society of Dermatology and the *International Journal of Dermatology (IJD)*, respectively. A primary goal was to share

information, technology, and expertise on a global level in order to enable dermatologists to better manage patients and eradicate deadly diseases.

Over a period of almost 60 years, ISD has evolved into one of the leading international societies with close collaborations with the AAD, EADV and ILDS -- a true multicultural community of dermatologists. But why would members choose our Society over others? When we examined the responses of ISD applicants asked the question "Why would you join?", the most common response was "invitation by an ISD member." Clearly, personal connections, in addition to engagement and respect, make your colleagues join the Society.

A close second reason why young dermatologists are eager to join our Society is the opportunity to participate in our renowned mentorship program and an ability to apply for scholarships and educational grants. ISD members can help by becoming individual sponsors, thereby increasing the number of members from developing countries and providing new young members with benefits -- the main benefit being access to the IJD, valued as another reason to join the ISD. We are planning to publish the names of individual sponsor members in an upcoming ISD newsletter to recognize their commitment to the Society.

Let us ensure that the International Society of Dermatology, a society by dermatologists and for dermatologists, remains a vibrant and expanding community of dermatologists from all corners of the world. You are the ISD's best ambassadors. Help us spread the word!

With all my heart,

Nellie Konnikov, M.D.
Nellie Konnikov, MD
ISD Secretary-General

SAVE THE DATE

ISD Reception at the 2019 AAD Annual Meeting in Washington, DC

Monday
March 4, 2019
5:30 PM



Location to be Announced
Check the ISD Website for
Details Coming Soon!

ISD Through the Eyes of a Historian: An Interview with Dr. Vincent Cipollaro

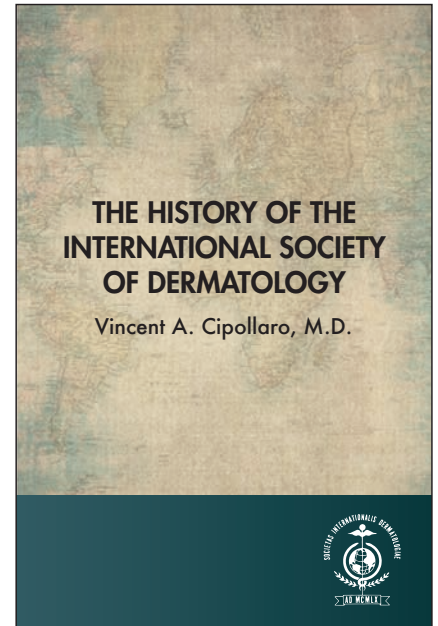
In May 2018, Dr. Vincent Cipollaro, who served as Historian of the ISD from 1994 to 2004, was interviewed by Dr. Anthony “Nino” Benedetto, the current Historian, and Dr. Jean Bologna, Chair of the Communications Committee. This interview coincided with the placement of the digital version of the *History of the International Society of Dermatology* on the ISD website. Dr. Cipollaro wrote his Golden Jubilee booklet in 2009 to mark the 50th Anniversary of the ISD.

During our discussion, he provided details regarding the founders of the ISD, Drs. Castellani and Reiss, reminding us that while Dr. Aldo Castellani’s name is eponymously associated with a phenol-containing paint that is used to treat cutaneous fissures, he also discovered the etiology of trypanosomiasis (sleeping sickness). This was indeed an impressive discovery for a young physician on his first visit to Africa! He also introduced the concept and use of multiple concurrent vaccinations. During World War II, Dr. Castellani served as Mussolini’s personal physician as well as the “Commander in Chief” (chief medical officer) of the Italian medical corps. The British claimed that his success in treating wounded soldiers in the North African theater prolonged the war there. After the war, he went into exile with the Italian royal family in Portugal.

Years later, when Dr. Castellani came to New York City for the inaugural ISD meeting, a dermatology resident by the name of Vincent Cipollaro was chosen to pick him up at the airport and serve as his “gofer”. The assumption was the need for someone who also spoke Italian, but given Dr. Castellani’s association with the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine for many years, he was actually fluent in the King’s English. Dr. Cipollaro recounted that one of the biggest regrets of his life was not accepting the offer to take ownership of Castellani’s personal collection of fungal cultures. The latter had been propagated for years and Castellani had actually brought a wooden box that contained the cultures to the New York meeting. Presumably U.S. Customs was more lenient in those days.

At the inaugural meeting held at Rockefeller Research Institute (now University), there were representatives from the U.S. government as well as physicians interested in tropical diseases from near and far. Sitting with young Dr. Cipollaro in the back of the auditorium was another future leader of the ISD, Dr. Orlando Canazares. Orlando went on to become the third Secretary-General and sixth President of the ISD, and in Vince’s opinion, was the third most important person responsible for the success of the Society, after Drs. Castellani and Reiss. He also was the founder of the Foundation for International Dermatologic Education (FIDE).

Dr. Frederick Reiss was from Hungary and he fled to Shanghai because of concern regarding the Nazis invading his country. In China, there were many migrant physicians but Frederick was held in high regard as he was already a Professor, and he was instrumental in educating numerous Chinese physicians. However, he then fled to Siberia in anticipation of the Japanese invasion of China and then came to the United States. According to Dr. Cipollaro, Dr. Castellani had the idea for the ISD but it was Dr. Reiss who made it happen. He was, however, assisted by three American dermatologists – Drs. J. Lowry Miller, George Andrews, and Vince’s uncle, Anthony Cipollaro.



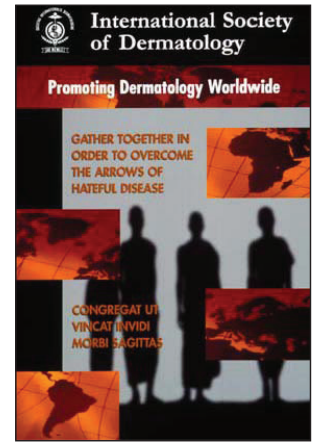
In New York City, Dr. Vincent Cipollaro (left) reminisces about the storied history of ISD with Dr. Anthony Benedetto (right).



Dr. Wolfram Sterry (left), then President of the ILDS, presents Dr. Vincent Cipollaro (right) with the ILDS Certificate of Appreciation in recognition of his accomplishments in the field of international dermatology. The certificate was awarded at the ISD Reception held during the 2013 AAD meeting in Miami Beach.

When asked which of the ISD meetings was his favorite, Dr. Cipollaro said the Rio de Janeiro meeting in 1989 in which the number of attendees was the largest to date. The Rio congress was very successful because it took place at the height of the AIDS epidemic, and the halls were packed with people hungry to learn all they could about AIDS -- especially from invited speaker Dr. Friedman-Kien, a co-discoverer of AIDS. There was standing room only and the audience spilled out into the hallways. The remainder of the faculty also was impressive, and the Brazilians were incredible hosts with excellent entertainment and camaraderie. In addition, as Treasurer of the ISD at that time (1979-1994), the financial success of the meeting also made him happy. His second favorite was in Kyoto, a very faraway and exotic location for a young dermatologist.

Dr. Cipollaro also recounted his interactions with Professor Kasuke Ito, who founded the Castellani Research Institute in Japan and published the journal *Euphoria et Cacophoria* at his own expense. In this journal, he often published copies of his correspondence with Dr. Castellani and the Directors of the ISD. In addition, Professor Ito provided Dr. Cipollaro with a significant amount of the historical archives required to write the Golden Jubilee booklet. Vince was very proud that he assisted in Professor Ito becoming a member of the New York Academy of Science as well as the Morgagni Medical Society. Of note, it was Professor Ito's idea to award the Castellani-Reiss medal.



For more details regarding our history, please read the digital form of *The History of the International Society of Dermatology* by Vincent Cipollaro, MD

ISD Regional Meeting Hot Spots in Dermatology Boasts Intimate Educational Gathering in Oahu, Hawaii

The Turtle Bay Resort on Oahu's North Shore was the setting for this year's Hot Spots in Dermatology Conference, held August 16-19. This was the first time in its 30+ year history that Hot Spots was designated a regional meeting of the International Society of Dermatology (ISD).

The international program featured as speakers Drs. Marius Rademaker (New Zealand), Michael Webster (Australia), and Bhushan Kumar (India). Dr. Arai from Japan also attended, with many registrants from the Hawaiian Islands and the west coast of the United States.

A meeting trademark is its small intimate nature, allowing for spirited discussions both in the lecture hall and throughout the event. Topics ranged from *Legionella* infections and leprosy to

radiotherapy and retirement. The meeting's emphasis is on content, conversation and aloha -- and formal attire is discouraged. Each evening a reception was held in conference organizer Dr. Doug Johnson's cabana to watch the sun set. All attending enjoyed the beautiful setting and schmoozing with fellow registrants and their families.

The ISD was actively promoted at the conference, attracting many new members to our Society. The meeting organizers were honored to align themselves with the ISD while successfully promoting its global values of education, medical access, and building relationships across borders.

Report submitted by ISD President Dr. George Reizner



Hot Spots organizing committee (from left to right): Drs. Doug Johnson, David Elpern, and George Reizner



Hot Spots faculty (left to right): Drs. George Reizner, Vail Reese, Alana Goo-Frazier, Bhushan Kumar, Larry Eron, Malcolm Ing, Doug Johnson, Shay Bintliff, David Elpern, Frank Dann, Michael Webster, Marius Rademaker, Paul Esaki, Michael Schoenfeld, Roman Glamb, and Mariana Karewicz. (Not pictured: Lauren Claypoole, Lindsay Kamm, and Evan Johnson)

ISD Hosts Tropical Retreat at the EADV Paris 2018

The ISD held its sister society meeting on September 12, 2018, during the EADV in Paris at the Palais du Congres.

Drs. Claire Fuller and Rokea el-Azhary did a fantastic job recruiting great speakers from around the world for a tropical dermatology potpourri. The selected topics were very well presented, as experts shared their expertise in diagnosing and treating these diseases.

Dr. Steve Walker (UK) spoke on leprosy in the biologic era. Dr. Federica Dassoni (Italy) presented an extensive and complete review on cutaneous leishmaniasis. Dr. Oliver Chosidow (France), a worldwide expert on scabies, shared current concepts on treating scabies and how to prevent transmission by cleaning fomites properly. Dr. Valeska Padovese (Malta) spoke about her work in refugee camps resulting from the migration crisis and the range of skin diseases. Dr. Andreas Montag (Australia) presented a very colorful talk on marine exposures to sponges and medusas and how to treat them. Dr. Colette Van Hees (Netherlands) shared a new dermatology app to improve the diagnosis of skin conditions as a

means of assisting health workers in poor settings. Dr. Paulo Cunha (Brazil) shared very interesting tropical diseases including filariasis and other endemic diseases from the Amazon. Dr. Roderick Hay (UK) did a very complete review on mycetoma, from diagnosis to treatment. Dr. Lawrence Gibson (US) shared the best *IJD* reviews of the year, while Dr. Ken Tomecki (US) shared *IJD* case reports that focused on tropical dermatology. Next, Dr. Mark Davis (US) spoke about the impact of global climate change on our specialty. Finally, Dr. Oliverio Welsh (Mexico) presented *IJD* case reports on leishmaniasis, mycetoma-like chromoblastomycosis, and multi-resistant mycetoma.

The meeting was very well attended and was a wonderful opportunity to share and learn from experts from around the world.

Report submitted by Esperanza Welsh, Editor, ISD Connection



Dr. Claire Fuller



From left to right: Drs. Oliverio Welsh, Ken Tomecki, Lawrence Gibson, Mark Davis, and Rokea el-Azhary



From left to right: Drs. Marcia Ramos-e-Silva, Nellie Konnikov, Farhad Handjani (back row) and Alireza Firooz (far right)



From left to right: Drs. Nellie Konnikov, Y. Andrashko (EADV Board Member) and Inga Voloshina Andrashko



From left to right: Drs. Ken Tomecki, Rokea el-Azhary, Collette Van Hees, Andreas Montag, Mark Davis, Lawrence Gibson, Claire Fuller, Oliverio Welsh, Rod Hay, and Oliver Chosidow



From left to right: Drs. Ulugbek Sabirov and Jean Bologna

ISD Set to Gather for 6th CCD in Taipei, Taiwan

The Taiwan Dermatological Association (TDA) and International Society of Dermatology (ISD) would like to welcome you to the 6th Continental Congress of Dermatology (CCD) and the 44th Annual Meeting of the TDA. This joint congress will be held at the Taipei International Conference Center in Taipei, Taiwan, November 16-18, 2018. Over the past decade, the TDA Annual Meeting has become synonymous with the highest caliber scientific dermatological meeting in Asia.

The scientific program will cover a spectrum of cutaneous diseases, as well as both dermatologic surgery and aesthetics. With the theme “Expanding Horizons,” this conference will provide a range of comprehensive plenary sessions, lectures from international experts, and interactive sessions.

Some of this year’s topics include: Skin Surgery, Mycology, Dermatopathology, Psoriasis, Drug Hypersensitivity/Immunology, Dermoscopy, Phlebology/Sclerotherapy, and Nail Disease. Multiple workshops will also be available, such as a Facial Reconstruction Workshop in which participants will be instructed on reconstruction pearls and tips while utilizing a head model. A Phlebology Workshop will demonstrate the main principles of phlebology and sclerotherapy and will also provide hands-on practice on simulation pads. In addition, the Nail Brace Workshop will review ingrown nail disease and participants can practice installation of nail braces during a hands-on session. Finally, this conference will be held in conjunction with the Regional Medical Mycology Training Network (MMTN) Conference, which focuses on invasive fungal infections, diagnostic techniques, and clinical management with an Asian perspective.

On behalf of the TDA and ISD, we look forward to sharing an inspiring experience with you in the beautiful city of Taipei!

Jason CH Yang, MD
Congress Chair

Tourist Attractions Await in Taiwan

Taiwan, also known as “Formosa Island”, was given the name “Formosa Insula” (“Beautiful Island”) by the Portuguese during the 17th century. Today, beyond its beautiful natural scenery, Taiwan has a charming cultural heritage as well as modern facilities such as the cloud-piercing Taipei 101 tower. A frenetic 24-hour pace leaves no doubt about the cosmopolitan nature of its capital city, **Taipei**, and when in the countryside, there is an obvious contrast with urban life.

Tourist attractions abound, including the National Palace Museum, Raohe Street Night Market, Yangmingshan Hot Springs, Shuinandong, Jinguashi, and Jiufen, Taipei 101, Taipei Zoo, Taipei Botanical Garden, South Village No. 44, and Shilin Night Market. Visitors are sure to enjoy gourmet delicacies including Dongpo pork, an assortment of delicious dumplings (meat rice and Xiao Long Bao, to name a few), and the Taiwanese tea ceremony.

Welcome to the Conference and enjoy your stay in Taipei, Taiwan!

Reference: <https://eng.taiwan.net.tw/>



Taipei Facts

- Average temperature in November: 18-24°C (64-75°F)
- Currency: New Taiwan Dollar (NT\$)
- Sales tax is included in the listed prices in Taipei City
- Service charge is customarily 10% in a hotel or restaurant





Young Dermatovenereologist from Tbilisi, Georgia, Finds Training in Boston Exciting, Inspirational

For ISD mentorship awardee Dr. Irena Oganezovi of Tbilisi, Georgia, her two-month training in Boston from May to June 2018 with mentor Dr. Nellie Konnikov was the highlight of her year. It even exceeded her expectations. She found Dr. Konnikov and the team of dermatologists, nurse practitioners, and residents at the VA Healthcare System in Boston to be very welcoming and always ready to answer her questions and share their experience and knowledge with her.



Dr. Irena Oganezovi with mentor Dr. Nellie Konnikov

Dr. Oganezovi's major professional goals have always been to learn minor surgical procedures and to improve her ability to manage skin disorders in geriatric patients. As such, being given the chance to observe and assist in minor dermatologic procedures under the guidance of Dr. Konnikov was very rewarding. She learned different biopsy techniques, observed excisions, and assisted in laser treatment for rosacea, scar revision, and tattoo removal as well as photodynamic therapy.



Dr. Oganezovi examines a replica of the human face.

During the week, Dr. Oganezovi's busy schedule included rotations in general dermatology clinics on Mondays and Fridays, Mohs micrographic surgery and excision clinics on Tuesdays and Wednesdays, photodynamic therapy, laser treatment, and facial volume restoration on Thursdays, and Grand Rounds on the first Wednesday of the month at Boston University and the third Wednesday of the month at Tufts University.

During her downtime, Dr. Oganezovi enjoyed visiting many places in Boston, such as Castle Island and the Boston Common. She also had the opportunity to visit relatives in New York.

Dr. Oganezovi is honored and thankful for being selected for the ISD Mentorship Program.

"The ISD Mentorship Program inspired me to continue to learn, acquire new knowledge and utilize my new skills in everyday practice. My hope is that one day I may share my experience with ISD mentees from around the world."

-- Dr. Irena Oganezovi

Dermatosurgery Training in Poland Proves Inspiring for ISD Mentorship Awardee from Ethiopia

For ISD mentorship awardee Dr. Yosef Legesse Debele of Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, traveling more than 3,000 miles to Poland for a three-month dermatosurgery fellowship was well worth the trip. Training with mentor Prof. Dr. Jacek C. Szebietowski in the Department of Dermatology, Venereology, and Allergology at Wroclaw Medical University in Wroclaw, Poland, Dr. Yosef had the opportunity to expand his knowledge of dermatosurgery and enhance his surgical skills.



Dr. Yosef Legesse Debele enjoying snow in Poland

Dr. Yosef observed and assisted in the dermatosurgery outpatient clinic on a daily basis, including during pre-operative preparation, in the operating theater, and assisting with the post-operative care of surgical patients. He encountered a wide range of patients undergoing surgical procedures, including those with non-melanoma skin cancers, benign tumors, hidradenitis suppurativa, rhinophyma, nail disorders, and surgical scar revision. In the case of hidradenitis suppurativa, Dr. Yosef gained enormous experience in its surgical management, as this particular clinic is the only referral center in Poland that treats advanced cases.

In addition, Dr. Yosef also had the opportunity to be trained in cryosurgery, electrosurgery and cutaneous laser surgery for non-aesthetic purposes. Through a special arrangement made by Prof. Szebietowski, he also was trained in Mohs micrographic surgery at Bieniek Medical Center in Wroclaw.

Other highlights of his mentorship experience included observing the workings of the clinical trial unit, mycology laboratory, and immunofluorescence lab where Dr. Yosef gained new insights into the field of general dermatology. During breaks in his daily training, Dr. Yosef found Wroclaw to be a marvelous city to explore -- complete with a spectacular view, mouthwatering traditional Polish food, and the most welcoming people.

Upon returning to Ethiopia, Dr. Yosef is looking forward to establishing a dermatosurgery unit within the Department of Dermatovenereology at the College of Health Sciences, School of Medicine, at Addis Ababa University. He plans to offer enhanced surgical training for dermatology residents and undergraduate students and to provide quality dermatologic care. He also aspires to start a fellowship in dermatosurgery.

"I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude to Prof. Jacek C. Szebietowski, the most considerate person, and his colleagues for being my mentors and making my stay fruitful and worthwhile."

-- Dr. Yosef Legesse Debele

ISD Mentorship Awardee from Brazil Expands Her Horizons in Dermatology in Boston

To say that Dr. Isabel Saraiva of Brazil had a fulfilling training experience with mentor Dr. Nellie Konnikov at the VA Healthcare System in Boston, as well as Boston University and Tufts University, would be an understatement.

Because her greatest interest in dermatology was in the cutaneous oncology and surgery field, Dr. Saraiva focused on improving her knowledge of skin cancer and its therapeutic approaches, both in Brazil and during her visiting rotation in Boston. In addition, she was interested in laser and other aesthetic procedures and sought experience in those areas as well.

Dr. Konnikov organized Dr. Saraiva's educational schedule at the VA Healthcare System, giving her a chance to observe many Mohs surgery procedures, photodynamic therapy, and laser treatment for rosacea, scars, hair removal, and tattoo removal. She relished the opportunity to work in clinical dermatology alongside residents and nurse practitioners and is thankful to Drs. Konnikov, Emily Ruiz, Abigail Waldman, Stephanie Liu and Daniel Loo for being so welcoming to her and always available to share their experiences and knowledge.

Dr. Saraiva's jam-packed schedule included Mohs surgery on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays, laser and photodynamic therapy on Thursdays, general dermatology on Fridays, and Grand Rounds at Boston University on the first Wednesday of the month and at Tufts University on the third Wednesday of the month. She appreciated the opportunity to attend Grand Rounds at these two prestigious teaching institutions, which she believes definitely enriched her educational experience. Dr. Saraiva also had the chance to hear an excellent lecture by Dr. Caroline Kim of Harvard Medical School that focused on the management of melanocytic lesions.

Having had the chance to watch more than 10 Mohs procedures per day, Dr. Saraiva found these surgeries particularly fascinating -- from the preparatory phase to the actual surgical excision to the histotechnique work (tissue preparation, freezing, staining of sections). She also appreciated the opportunity to examine tissue under the microscope along with the Mohs team in an on-site laboratory.

Given Dr. Saraiva's limited exposure to aesthetic procedures, Dr. Konnikov arranged for her to gain practical experience in this area, thereby exceeding her expectations. Observing and assisting in various technologies (e.g. pulsed dye, picosecond and fractional lasers, intense pulsed light and radiofrequency devices) for a variety of aesthetic conditions was exciting to Dr. Saraiva. In addition, she observed Dr. Konnikov perform facial volume restoration in special patient populations with calcium hydroxylapatite and polylactic acid, two products with which she was not very familiar.



Dr. Isabel Saraiva reading the microscopic sections



From left to right: Drs. Konnikov (mentor), Saraiva (mentorship awardee) and Abdullah (resident)

"The ISD Mentorship Program inspired me to follow my area of interest in my country and to contribute to the improvement of dermatology in South America. I am truly grateful to have been selected as a mentee."

-- Dr. Isabel Saraiva




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World Skin Health Day Activities Reaching People Around the World

A joint project of the International League of Dermatological Societies (ILDS) and the International Society of Dermatology (ISD), World Skin Health Day (WSHD) recognizes and promotes skin health around the world. Activities are open to all members of the ILDS, and ISD members are encouraged to participate.

Here, we feature two WSHD activities in India which included participation by several ISD members.

Indian Women's Dermatologic Society Sponsors "Skin for All" Program in March 2018

As part of the ILDS-ISD's "World Skin Health Day" initiative, the Indian Women's Dermatologic Society (WDS) held a Pan India program called "Skin for All" on March 8, 2018. Held on International Women's Day, "Skin for All" offered basic skin care tips to women from adolescence through old age using beautiful posters shared in each participant's clinic or hospital outpatient department. Educational talks were given to women and girls, and such camps -- which were very well received -- were held in the capital of New Delhi, as well as about 14 states all across India.

Indian WDS President Dr. Rashmi Sarkar, along with Indian WDS members, ISD members and Indian Association of Dermatologists, Venereologists and Leprologists (IADVL) members Drs. Surabhi Sinha, Sonali Langar, Pooja Arora, Payal and volunteer Dr. Varun Khullar, also arranged to have a "Skin for All" camp for orphan girls of St. Michael's school in Jungpura, New Delhi, India. Talks were given in Hindi on general skin care in adolescence, skin screenings were conducted for common skin ailments, and free medicines were distributed to about 80 girls. The Indian WDS appreciated the help provided by the non-government organization Chhoti Chhoti Khushiyan, as well as Mohrish Pharma and Sun Pharma for providing free medicines.

Report submitted by Dr. Rashmi Sarkar, President Joint WDS-Indian WDS



Skin camp for adolescent orphan girls in New Delhi, India, held by the Indian WDS



From left to right: Indian WDS members Drs. Payal, Pooja Arora Mrig, Surabhi Sinha, Rashmi Sarkar (President), and Sonali Langar providing education to girls at an orphanage during a World Skin Health Day initiative in Jangpura, New Delhi, India, on March 8, 2018



Dr. Atotha Kavitha (third from left) with team members from her clinic conducted a "Skin for All" initiative during World Skin Health Day on March 8, 2018, in Guntur, South India. Educational posters are seen in the background

World Skin Health Day Observed Throughout India on April 6, 2018

IADVL, in conjunction with the ILDS and ISD, organized World Skin Health Day (WSHD) activities throughout India on April 6, 2018. In total, 201 programs were conducted on this day all over India, including 59 free skin health camps and health education programs.

In order to educate people about various skin health topics, a press event was held that included the following topics -- skin hygiene, avoiding the use of medicinal creams for lightening and preventing topical corticosteroid abuse, management of fungal infections, early diagnosis of leprosy, the social stigmata of vitiligo, insurance assistance for vitiligo surgeries, and public awareness about quackery in the field of dermatology. Lasting nearly three hours, this media event was attended by more than 50 journalists and TV reporters and was live streamed on Facebook and YouTube.

In addition, 75 health education programs were held throughout India. These programs consisted of health education talks with poster displays and were conducted in various hospitals, clinics, and rural settings. Five city rallies were also held, and the IADVL announced its ambitious Community Dermatology Program in which educational materials and health information will be disseminated via a cross-country media vehicle. This two-month journey will span more than 4,000 kilometers from Kashmir to Kanyakumari. Additional WSHD activities were conducted on April 6th, and 100 more educational camps are planned for this year.

Report submitted by Dr. Ramesh Bhat, President IADVL 2018



Free skin health camp



Skin health rally



National Executive Committee members of IADVL, from left to right: Drs. Umashankar, Secretary General; Ramesh Bhat, President; Mukesh Girdhar, Vice President; Yogesh Marfatia, Immediate Past President; Prashant Palwade, Joint Secretary; Shashi Kumar, Treasurer; Jagdish Sakhya, Vice President; Dinesh Devraj, Joint Secretary; and Narasimha Rao, President-Elect

Additional World Skin Health Day events:

- The Canadian Dermatology Association conducted a public skin screening to promote skin health and skin cancer awareness
- The Chinese Society of Dermatology provided free consultations and skin health education in rural areas, including how to avoid cosmetic products of inferior quality
- The Dermatological Society of Singapore held a public forum in which dermatologists covered a wide range of topics including empowering the public on skin health -- from early detection and prevention to early treatment and disease management
- The Philippine Dermatological Society organized several "Skin Health and Eczema Fairs" and a "Skin Museum" in major cities and provinces throughout the Philippines

2018 – 2019 ISD Meetings Calendar

November 7 - 9, 2018
Conquering Diversity: Joining Forces in the Advancement of Dermatology
41st Annual Convention of the Philippine Dermatological Society in collaboration with ISD
 Metro Manila, Philippines
 Web Site: www.pds.org.ph

November 16 - 18, 2018
6th Continental Congress of the ISD
44th Taiwanese Dermatological Association
 Taipei, Taiwan
 Web Site: <https://www.tdmt.org/2018/en/?AgendaSID=11>

December 6 - 8, 2018
"Controversies in Dermatology" 6th Edition
 Zakopane, Poland
<https://www.termedia.pl/Konferencje?Intro&e=844&p=5154>

March 4, 2019
ISD Reunion at the AAD
 5:30 – 7:30 PM
 Washington, DC

April 4 - 6, 2019
"2nd Skin Academy"
Nekam Foundation, Semmelweis University
 Budapest, Hungary
 Web Site: www.boerakademia.hu

May 1 - 5, 2019
14th Aegean Dermatology Days
 Bodrum, Turkey
 Dermatovenereology Association of Turkey
 Web Site: www.trdvd.org

May 30 - 31, 2019
VI Eurasian Congress of Dermatology, Cosmetology and Aesthetic Medicine
Kazakhstan Association of Dermatovenereologists, Dermatocosmetologists
 Astana, Kazakhstan
 Web Site: www.kadd.kz

June 10, 2019
ISD Session at the World Congress of Dermatology
 8:30 AM -12:30 PM
 Milan, Italy

July 25, 2019
7th EDVS Scientific Conference
 Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
 Ethiopian Dermatology and Venereology Society
 Email: edvssociety@gmail.com

September 6 - 7, 2019
Annual Meeting of the National Society of Dermatology (Uzbekistan)
 Tashkent, Uzbekistan
 National Society of Dermatology (Uzbekistan)
 Web Site: www.dermatology.uz

October 8, 2019
ISD Session at the EADV
 Madrid, Spain

Spring Continental Congress of Dermatology, Tehran, Iran, 2018 -- A Meeting to Remember

The Spring Continental Congress of Dermatology was held this year in the IRIB International Conference Center in Tehran from April 25th to 27th. I was excited to attend the congress and meet both new and old colleagues, as this was my third time to participate in a dermatology meeting in Tehran.

The congress was organized by Prof. Alireza Firooz and his team from the Center for Research & Training in Skin Diseases & Leprosy (CRTSDL) and was under the able and benevolent guidance of Prof. Yahya Dowlati. Co-organizers, which all set a high bar, included the Dermatologic & Aesthetic Surgery International League (DASIL), the European Society of Laser and Light-Based Devices (ESLD), the International Society of Teledermatology (IST), the World Health Academy (WHA), the Skin Inflammation and Psoriasis International Network (SPIN), the Janus Knowledge Based Company, and the Iranian Society of Dermatology. The popularity of the congress was obvious, with over 900 delegates from 33 countries.

There was a healthy mix of medical, surgical and cosmetic dermatology and the congress center was world-class. Prof. Firooz and his team members were omnipresent in the scientific halls and there was ample time for questions and answers, making the sessions more interactive and educational. The pre-congress workshops on dermoscopy (by IST), lasers (by ESLD), scar revision (by DASIL), and dermatopathology, as well as the 11 industry-sponsored workshops, added to the scientific content of the congress.

Attendees experienced the legendary Iranian hospitality, from the inaugural concert featuring music from various regions of the country to the gala dinner at the CRTSDL. Several ISD members and board members attended the congress including Drs. Luis Castro, Nejb Doss, Martin Kassir, David Mehergan, Aldo Morrone, Dedee Murrell, Keyvan Nouri, George Reizner, Thomas Ruzicka, Vinod Sharma, and Jacek Szepietowski. Professor Yahya Dowlati and his most gracious wife also hosted a memorable dinner in their penthouse apartment for over 25 speakers and his team members, with a perfect mixture of food, music and camaraderie.

One always leaves such conferences with beautiful memories and lessons -- how an erudite, forward-looking octogenarian (Prof. Dowlati) can be a benefactor to so many dermatologists around the world; how a person mentored by him (Prof. Dr. Alireza Firooz) can organize such a large conference with precision and ease, making everyone feel so welcome; and how the team managed to establish such a high standard for continuing medical education. I hope more members of the ISD will plan to attend future meetings organized by this wonderful team.

Report submitted by Dr. Shyam Verma, Board of Directors, International Society of Dermatology, Vadodara, India, in collaboration with Prof. Alireza Firooz, Center for Research & Training in Skin Diseases & Leprosy, Tehran, Iran



From left to right: Dr. Shyam Verma, Mrs. Dowlati and Prof. Yahya Dowlati alongside a bust of Prof. Dowlati located outside the CRTSDL



From left to right: Dr. Jacek Szepietowski, Mrs. Szepietowski, Dr. Shyam Verma and Prof. Thomas Ruzicka



From left to right: Drs. Paula Pasquali, Eckart Haneke, Balachandra Ankad, Noureddine Litaïem, Nejb Doss, Alexandre Guichard, George Reizner, Aldo Morrone, and Shyam Verma



ISD members and invited speakers (from left to right): Drs. Shyam Verma, Dedee Murrell and Ismael Maatouk

MEMBERS IN THE NEWS

The ISD proudly recognizes members who are accomplishing great things and fulfilling the mission of the ISD. Congratulations to all!

Dr. Antonella Tosti (US/Italy) delivered the prestigious John Ebling Lecture at the 18th Meeting of the European Hair Research Society (EHRS) held in May 2018. Dr. Tosti was honored to receive the award from a former student, EHRS President Prof. Bianca Maria Piraccini. Dr. Tosti's husband, Luca Lionello, and son, Lorenzo Lionello, were in attendance to celebrate this very important day in her life.



From left to right: Prof. Bianca Maria Piraccini, Dr. Antonella Tosti, Luca Lionello and Lorenzo Lionello

Prof. Terrence Ryan (UK) published his autobiography, *Medicine and Body Image: Resource Planning for the Poor, A Memoir by Terrence Ryan*. According to former ISD Historian Dr. Vincent Cipollaro, "Anyone who knows Terrence Ryan will want to read his revealingly candid autobiography. It is doubtful that any single living dermatologist or any other physician has the international influence and impact on medical education that Professor Ryan has had, and this is illustrated in the voyage through his autobiography and history of modern British and international dermatologic education."

ISD Leaders Attend ILDS Summit in Vietnam

The ISD leadership was well represented at the recent ILDS Summit held in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam. Officers of dermatologic organizations from over 40 countries gathered to discuss issues important to our specialty and ways to improve collaborations. Plenary sessions tackled the future of dermatology, including potential threats and opportunities, neglected and rare diseases, and preserving the discipline of dermatology in a changing world. Small group sessions varied from international standards for dermatological training and global volunteerism to access, as well as barriers, to dermatologic health and medical care. The Summit was an opportunity for international networking and building stronger ties with our colleagues on behalf of our Society. The ISD sponsored the attendance of Drs. George Reizner and Evangeline Handog.

Dr. Sc. Oliverio Welsh (Mexico) recently received the Miguel Otero y Arce Award from the President of Mexico. This award is given each year to physicians who have made outstanding contributions to the field of medicine on an international level. This award was given to Dr. Sc. Oliverio Welsh in recognition of his insights into the immunology and treatment of actinomycetoma. The award was presented to him by the President of Mexico, Lic. Enrique Peña Nieto, who is seen personally congratulating Dr. Welsh.



Dr. Sc. Oliverio Welsh proudly accepts his award.



President of Mexico, Lic. Enrique Peña Nieto, congratulates Dr. Welsh.



Prof. Terrence Ryan addressing attendees at the XI ICD in India



ISD leadership during a more relaxed moment at the ILDS Summit, Ho Chi Minh City. From left to right: Drs. Suzanne Olbricht (AAD President), Marcia Ramos-e-Silva (ISD Vice-President), George Reizner (ISD President), Jean Bologna (Chair of the ISD Communications Committee), Evangeline Handog (ISD Immediate Past President), Jorge Ocampo (Chair of the ISD Membership Committee), and Hassan Galadari (ISD Treasurer).

Innovative Educational Format Draws Hundreds to ISD Regional Meeting in New Delhi

The 5th edition of DAAS SUMMIT (Dermatology and Allied Specialties) was an ISD Regional Meeting that was held in New Delhi, India, from June 29 to July 1, 2018.

The innovative format of the congress is unique, as the entire scientific program is not comprised of traditional didactic lectures. Rather, there are discussions on various topics of interest for practicing dermatologists, with six experts in a given field chosen from all over India. These panel discussions are moderated by an expert conversant with frequently asked questions and practical approaches. A typical 45-minute session would foster input from multiple individuals -- thus enriching knowledge.

The keynote address speaker was Dr. William James from the University of Pennsylvania, who made his first trip to India for this meeting. His reputation precedes him due to his role as editor of multiple editions of *Andrews' Diseases of the Skin: Clinical Dermatology*, which is one of the most frequently read dermatology textbooks.

Other invited speakers included Dr. Noufal Raboobe (South Africa), Prof. Paolo Pigatto (Italy), Prof. Umit Tursen (Turkey), and Dr. Ismael Matouk (Lebanon). The international faculty thoroughly enjoyed the conference and repeatedly commented on the uniqueness of a congress entirely based on "panel-based

discussions". There were 550 delegates from 12 states of India who not only had the chance to attend this very interactive conference, but also were able to network during the two dinners serving sumptuous Indian cuisine and featuring live music.

There were award presentations for dermatology residents and winners of the dermatology quiz. Award recipients were given scholarships to enable them to attend the upcoming World Congress of Dermatology.

The Scientific Committee, headed by Drs. Shyam Verma and Archana Singal, worked tirelessly with invaluable contributions from Drs. Resham Vasani, Sanjeev Gupta, Ajit Tharakkan, Sumit Gupta, Himanshu Gupta, and Col. Biju Vasudevan. The organizing secretary, Dr. Rohit Batra, well known for his skills in planning congresses, surpassed expectations with this particular event. Congress president Dr. R.P. Gupta was the guiding force that brought together so many dermatologists.

Lastly, with the invaluable knowledge and experience gathered in this congress, new ISD memberships were generated among conference attendees.

Report submitted by Prof. (Dr.) Sanjeev Gupta and Dr. Rohit Batra



Front row, sitting (from left to right): Drs. Paolo Pigatto (Italy), Miklos Sardy (Hungary), Rohit Batra (India), Resham Vasani (India), and Shyam Verma (India). Back row, standing (from left to right): Mrs. Pigatto (Italy), Mrs. Sardy (Hungary), and Drs. Archana Singal (India), Ismael Matouk (Lebanon), Umet Tursen (Turkey), and William D. James (US)



Attendees gather at the ISD booth to promote the XIII ICD in Melbourne, Australia, in 2021 (from left to right): Drs. William D. James (US), Shyam Verma (India), Umet Tursen (Turkey), Archana Singal (India), and Ismael Matouk (Lebanon)

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An organising committee is being established, with Professor Dedee Murrell, FACD, as President and Professor Rod Sinclair, FACD, as Secretary-General. The other members of the committee will be announced in due course.

A website with regular news updates will shortly be established.

For more information, contact Roshan Riddell: roshan@dermcoll.edu.au



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