



The ISoP Star

ISoP went to Barcelona

The ISoP training course 'New Challenges in Clinical Safety, Pharmacovigilance and Vaccine Vigilance' took place in Barcelona last February (10-11 February 2005). With 46 participants and a large group of international speakers it was a very valuable meeting. Paula Marquez and Elisabeth Loupi were the co-ordinators for this well-run and challenging event about the new roles and responsibilities of safety staff. The course was structured to provide the attendees

the opportunity to network with several and different groups, which showed their different point of view. The Friday afternoon was completely dedicated to practical exercises: data-mining with



Barcelona speakers: Maria Astorga, Paula Marquez, Irène Rebollo, Vladimir Lepakhin, Elisabeth Loupi

MedDRA and examples of good communications utilising the Erice Declaration as a model to establish new strategies to improve communication skills in pharmacovigilance.

Barcelona, Gaudi's dreamed city was the setting for this successful course where ISoP members put their minds to establish a very stimulating and inspiring framework where new and relevant topics emerged from the Mediterranean to push and pull ISoP for the safest use of drugs worldwide in conjunction with WHO. More information at www.isoponline.org

Patient safety -

is the theme of our next winter training course: 9-10 February 2006 (Spain). More details in due course!

Belgium in 2006

The 2006 Annual Meeting will take place in Liege 11-13 October 2006 after the 29th Annual Meeting of the WHO Programme for International Drug Monitoring. The local organiser is the Belgium Centre of Pharmacovigilance and chair of the scientific committee is Dr Kees van Grootheest (Netherlands) with Prof Jean-Marie Maloteaux (Belgium) as co-chair.

UK in 2007

Bournemouth on the south coast of England will be the venue for the Annual Meeting in 2007 (21-24 October).

Call for Annual Meetings bids

If you would like your country to host the 2008 Annual Meeting, contact the Administration Office and ask for the guidelines for bids.

More meetings news

Most of the presentations from the Annual Meeting held in Dublin last October are posted on the website of the society. To view them, please log-on to [www.isoponline.org / Annual Meeting / Dublin Presentations](http://www.isoponline.org/AnnualMeeting/DublinPresentations) buttons. The password 1780cb will allow access to the presentations.

For further information on past or future ISoP training courses please visit our homepage or ask the ISoP Administration Office at administration@isoponline.org - Tel: +44 20 8286 1888

- ★ 7th EACPT Meeting, Poznan, Poland, on the 28 June 2005 (9.00-11.15) there will be a symposium run in association with EACPT entitled 'Pharmacovigilance' and chaired by Giampaolo Velo and Nicholas Moore. Further information at www.eacpt.pl
- ★ CPT2008: the Scientific Programme Committee is welcoming proposals for symposium and plenary lectures for the IX World Conference on Clinical Pharmacology and Therapeutics to be held in Québec in 2008. The deadline for receipt of the proposals has been extended until September 2005. Please visit www.cpt2008.com

For more courses of interest to members please visit regularly www.isoponline.org

The National chapters

ISoP members in one country may now form groups to facilitate the organisation of meetings, training courses, or other activities related to the missions of ISoP. The Executive Committee will assist in any reasonable way the function of such chapters by providing speakers or teaching materials.

For further information, please contact ISoP Administration.

See over for details of Manila 2005 >>



Annual Meeting – Manila 2005

'Pharmacovigilance, a global concern: East meets West' 16-19 October 2005 (pre-conference workshops on 16 October and meeting proper on 17-19).

Scientific Committee: Nicholas Moore, Chair (France), Kenneth Hartigan-Go (Philippines), Corinne Pierfitte (Belgium), Amer Alghabban (England), Richard Day (Australia), John McEwen (Australia).

A challenging scientific programme and exciting social events are included in the registration fee (500 US\$) for an affordable occasion for ISoP members to come to Philippines and actively stimulate pharmacovigilance in that part of the world. If you need help in finding a travel package from Europe to Philippines, contact ISoP Administration.

Sunday 16 October Pre-Conference Workshops

Whole day: *Risk assessment and risk management*
 Morning: *Basic pharmacovigilance and pharmacoepidemiology* (free to registered delegates)
Clinical diagnosis and management of ADRs
 Afternoon: *Improving communication skills*
Pharmacovigilance planning for the industry

Monday 17 October ISoP Annual Meeting

Plenary : *Ecopharmacology: an old concept revisited*
Prof Klaus Kümmerer (Germany)

Parallel sessions: *PV education and training innovations: where are the gold standards?* *Drug use problems: PV in RDU*

Plenary: *Quantifying alerts: the burden of ADRs to the individual and to society*
Dr David Henry (Australia)

Parallel sessions: *PV in Public Health / Immunization risk benefit and safety issues*

Poster Discussion round 1

Tuesday 18 October

Plenary : *Pharmaco-politics: from raw data to signal intelligence*
Honourable Fidel Ramos (Philippines)

Parallel sessions: *Quality of drugs: counterfeit, substandard medicines / Pharmacoepidemiology*

Plenary : *The First Pharmacovigilance Quiz Bowl*
Mr Bruce Hugman (Thailand)

Parallel sessions: *Hot topics / Herbals*

Poster Discussion round 2 (Gala dinner)

Wednesday 19 October

Plenary : *Risk management and taking action*
Dr Saad Shakir (UK)

Parallel Sessions: *Dealing with crisis: from regulator to industry to clinicians to media / Building safety into drugs: women and children issues*

Call for abstracts

Closing date for submission of oral and poster abstracts is **31 May 2005**. Abstracts should be submitted from the conference website at www.vasia.com/psecp, which also has up-to-date information on scientific and social programmes.

Or for further information, please contact:

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Elections in 2006

There are no elections this year. The next election of the Executive Committee members will be held in 2006 - candidates from all over the world are welcome to come forward.

Job adverts

The Society offers organisations a service on its website to publish details of vacancies for jobs in drug safety. Do use this service for your recruitment! Information at administration@isoponline.org

Have you moved?

If there is a mistake in our database, or you have changed your address, do let us know as soon as possible. Some members don't receive accurate information because we do not have their e-mail address. We would like to keep members informed of Society news, and electronic mail is the quickest (and cheapest) way of sending certain types of information. Please e-mail your correct address to us, we will be able to update our address lists. Thank you! You can send letters, comments and contributions for ISoP Star to:

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