



The ISoP Star

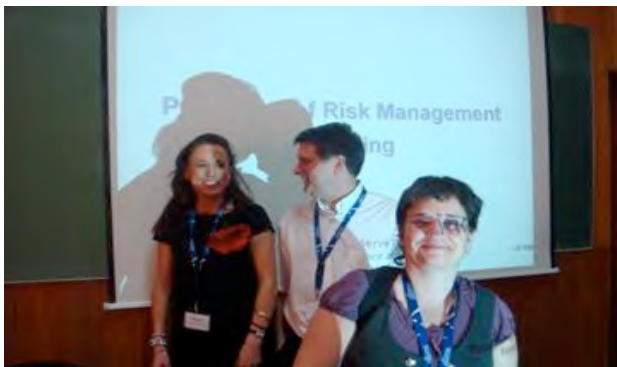
NEWS AND REPORTS FROM ISoP – No 20. July-August 2010

ISoP went to Belgrade

Two parallel ISoP training courses ‘Clinical Trial Safety’ and ‘Basic concepts in Pharmacovigilance’ were organized in the historic city of Belgrade, Serbia on the 27 & 28 May 2010 in collaboration with ALIMS (Medicines and Medical Devices Agency of Serbia) and the Faculty of Pharmacy, Belgrade University.

Our partners in Serbia were warmly congratulated on organizing such stimulating and well attended training courses.

More information about these courses can be found at <http://www.isoponline.org/training.html>



D McCarthy (ETP), H Le Louet (ETP), V Macolić Sarinić (Croatian Agency for Medicinal Products and Medical Devices)



Training courses participants

ISoP offered bursaries to 3 young researchers from emerging countries and students to support their attendance at the training courses in Belgrade; here are some extracts from their reports:

....In my opinion, this training course was very successful. It was a summary of the most important PHV principles and regulations in two days and I have met important international people in field of pharmacovigilance. I will spread reports about this TC to my colleagues at PHV department of State Institute for Drug Control and also my colleagues at University where I work at Clinical and Social Pharmacy Department on Faculty of Pharmacy” (Veronika Deščiková, SUKL (Czech Drug Agency) and Faculty of Pharmacy, Charles University Prague)

« Did you find it useful?” was the question which I have been asked several times during the “Basic Concepts in Pharmacovigilance” training course when they noticed that I do not work for any pharmacovigilance office. It was a two-day training course which was held in Belgrade, Serbia last May by the International Society of Pharmacovigilance (ISoP). This question motivated me to write about what I learnt and to explain some research questions which came into my mind during this course as a researcher. ».... « The speech on “Basic pharmacoepidemiology” was one of my favorite sessions and it was regrettably presented very short. Pharmacoepidemiology is defined as the study of the utilization and effects of drugs in large numbers of people. As a matter of fact, the focus of research on safety of pharmaceutical products is not as good as their efficacy. For that reason, there is lack of data on ADRs especially in children and adolescents. Thus, becoming familiar with concepts of pharmacoepidemiology is the preliminary step to conduct safety studies as well as critical analysis of these studies.» (Bita Mesgarpour, PharmD; MPH, PhD Student, Department of Clinical Pharmacology Medical University of Vienna, Austria)

Details about next year’s training courses will be provided in due course.

Celebrating 10 years of ISoP

ISoP 2011 Turkey

Istanbul is the venue for next year's Annual Meeting (26-28 October 2011). The local organizer is the Pharmacovigilance Society of Turkey and chairperson of the Scientific Committee is Ulrich Hagemann, Head of Pharmacovigilance Department, Federal Institute for Drugs and Medical Devices, BfArM, Germany.



.....and Mexico in 2012

The bid from Mexico has been accepted by the Executive Committee and the city of Cancun will host the ISoP Annual Meeting in 2012 (October).

Call for Annual Meetings bids

If you (or colleagues) would like your country to host the 2013 ISoP Annual Meeting, please contact the Administration Office and ask for the guidelines for bids (proposals should be received before February/March 2011).

More News from ISoP

★ Under ISoP patronage, workshop Ecopharmacovigilance: which future? organized by the Centre Regional de Pharmacovigilance, Henri Mondor Hospital and the University of Verona, 21 September 2010 at the Academie Nationale de Pharmacie, Paris- France - Contact:

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Free registration : places are limited!

★ ISoP endorsement for the 26th ICPE International Conference on Pharmacoepidemiology & Therapeutic Risk Management, 19-22 August 2010, Hilton Brighton Metropole, Brighton, UK and ISPE 2011 mid-year meeting, 9-11 April, 2011, Grand Hotel Baglioni, Florence, Italy

★ In planning for next year's Annual Meeting, are there any current issues or scientific topics/symposia you feel should be included in the forthcoming scientific programme? It would help us if you could provide us with your suggestions to administration@isoponline.org as we would like the content of our Annual Meeting to reflect our members' wishes.

★ Hot topic: Drug Safety with generic medicines. ISoP had a very successful session on generic medicines during the training course held in Belgrade last May (Basic course) and we would like to invite the membership to comment on the topic via the ISoP website when the *Linkedin* network will be integrated in September; please visit [isoponline](http://isoponline.org) regularly!

★ Most of the presentations from the ISoP Annual Meeting held in Reims, France last October are posted on the website of the society. To view them, please log-on to www.isoponline.org/isop2009-annual-meeting.html click on Reims Presentations link and enter Username: ISoP2009 and Password: cHaMpa9n3 to access the presentations (you may copy and paste the password)

★ 2009 ISoP General Assembly, during the 9th Annual Meeting, Reims - France Minutes are posted on the ISoP website <http://www.isoponline.org/general-assembly.html>

★ 2010 ISoP General Assembly will be held during the 10th ISoP Annual Meeting in Accra, Ghana from 03-06 November 2010.

The ISoP General Assembly will take place from 13.15 to 14.00 on Friday 05 November 2010, at "Aday Kesse" at the Homowo Conference Centre, La Palm Royal Hotel, Accra, Ghana (1 La Bypass , Accra)

★ Statutes and by-laws of the Society are posted on <http://www.isoponline.org/statutes.html>

★ Curriculum (ETP): ISoP with the collaboration of the UMC has developed an important training curriculum; more information in due course.

★ National Chapters: After Switzerland and Latin America chapters, we look forward to the launch of the North America Chapter during the 10th Annual Meeting in Accra, Ghana, in November.

Drug Safety survey

The Adis journal team invite you to share your opinions on the journal 'Drug Safety'. This is important information and, as a valued member of ISoP, we would very much appreciate it if you would take the time to complete this survey (e-mail sent on 2 August), and go into the draw for either a free subscription to an Adis journal of your choice, or \$US250. You can also access the survey via www.isoponline.org

ISoP 2010 Ghana

Accra, ISoP 2010 3-6 November, 2010 (Accra, Ghana, La Palm Beach Hotel) "Pharmacovigilance in the global village" www.isop2010.org



The scientific programme is almost ready with 5 post-conference courses on the agenda, and a very original and exciting social programme included in the registration fee, offering an affordable occasion for ISoP members to come to Ghana, actively stimulate development of pharmacovigilance in that part of the world and celebrate the 10th Anniversary of ISoP!

Programme ISoP 2010

Wednesday 3 November (13.00-16.30)

Registration.

Welcome opening and joint ISoP/WHO session ; Funding Pharmacovigilance (Marie Lindquist, UMC, and Shanthi Pal, WHO)

Coffee-break / Poster - Welcome reception

Thursday 4 November (8.00-16.00)

Plenary sessions :

Pharmacovigilance in the Global Village (Alex Dodoo, Ghana)

How do we ensure safety during mass rapid deployment of medicines and vaccines? (Pia Caduff, Switzerland)

Coffee-break / Poster

Parallel sessions

Session A: Vaccine Safety (Ugo Moretti, Italy and Alex Dodoo, Ghana)

Session B: Ecopharmacovigilance for a healthy future (Giampaolo Velo, Italy)

Session C: Managing medication error (Rachida Soulaymani, Morocco and Chalbi Belkahia, Tunisia)

Lunch

Plenary lecture: Peter Arlett (EMA)

Parallel sessions

Session D: Pharmacovigilance perspectives, South and Latin America (Luis Alesso, and Raquel Herrera Comoglio, Argentina)

Session E: Pharmacovigilance perspectives : North America (Axel Olsen, and Gerald dal Pan, US)

Session F: Pharmacovigilance perspectives: Western Pacific region (Mira Harrison Woolrych, New Zealand, and Kenneth Hartigan-Go, Philippines)

Coffee-break / Poster

Open Air theater (University of Ghana)

Friday 5 November (08.00- 16.30)

Plenary lectures:

Epidemiological progress in the US (Judith Jones, US)

Developing and implementing risk management programmes (Yola Moride, Canada, and John Freeman, US)

Coffee-break / Poster

Parallel sessions

Session G: Safety of medicines for HIV, TB, Malaria (Jing Bao, US and Alex Dodoo, Ghana)

Session H: Regulatory PV (Elliot Brown, and Sarah Daniels, UK)

Session I: Risk management (in French) (Corinne Pierfitte, Belgium, and Yola Moride, Canada)

Lunch, ISoP General Assembly

Plenary lecture: New Frontiers in Pharmacovigilance (Gerald Dal Pan, FDA)

Parallel sessions

Session J: Signal detection (Eugène van Puijenbroek, Netherlands, and Phil Watson, UK)

Session K: New Thinking and Perspectives in pharmacovigilance (Deirdre McCarthy, Ireland, and Brian Edwards, UK)

Session L: Communication in drug safety (Ralph Edwards, Sweden, and Bruce Hugman, Thailand)

Coffee-break / Poster

Gala dinner and 10th ISoP Anniversary

Saturday 6 November (08.00- 12.30)

Plenary lectures:

International cooperation to deliver a global PV system (June Raine, UK)

Bengt-Erik Wiholm Lecture (Nicholas Moore, France)

Poster Prize Awards - Coffee-break

Workshop: Forensic Pharmacovigilance (Kenneth Hartigan-Go, Philippines)

Presentation for ISoP 2011 and Closing Ceremony of ISoP 2010

Lunch and Registration for tutorials

Post conference courses

Post conference half-day courses (13.30-18.00)

1) Teamworking for Safety (Steve Powell, US, and Sarah Daniels UK)

2) Clinical Trial Safety (Jing Bao, US, Hervé Le Louet, France, and Brian Edwards, UK)

3) Vaccine Safety (Jan Willem van der Velden, and Katharina Hartmann, Switzerland)

Sunday 7 November (07.30- 15.30)

07.30: Registration for tutorials

3 post conference courses (all day):

1) Basic concepts (English): Kenneth Hartigan-Go, Philippines - Eugène van Puijenbroek, Netherlands

2) Basic concepts (French): Corinne Pierfitte, Belgium - Rachida Soulaymani, Morocco

3) Risk Management (English): Deirdre McCarthy, Ireland - Elliot Brown, UK

Registration: Save money and register

now! Early bird registration until 15 August 2010

ISoP 2010 Conference Secretariat

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Contains updated information about Society activities and you can also download a membership application and pay your fees online.

We are exploring the possibility to integrate *Linkedin*, the social network to the Society website isoponline. More information in September.

For further information on past or future ISoP training courses please visit our homepage Training and News / Courses of interest to members: Please visit www.isoponline.org regularly!

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moved?**

If there is a mistake in our database, or you have changed your address, do let us know as soon as possible!

And also please let us have your e-mail address! Some members don't receive up-to-date information because they have not provided their e-mail address.

Note for members who have subscribed to the journal Drug Safety : Any claims about Drug Safety journals must be received within the claim period, which is up to 6 months after the original issue was despatched, at which time only one replacement copy will be despatched.

Please send your letters, comments and contributions for ISoP Star to:

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