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**ISACHD August 2010 Newsletter**

**President's Message**

by *Barbara J.M. Mulder*



**JOIN THE ESC CONGRESS !**

Most ISACHD members live in North-America. They usually attend the large American ACC and AHA congresses. That's fine. It is worthwhile, however, also to consider attending one of the other large congresses around the world, in Europe, Asia or Latin America. This year the European congress will be held in Stockholm Sweden, from august 28th to september 1st . There is an interesting program on ACHD (GUCH in Europe). If you [CLICK HERE](#) you may find the scientific sessions dedicated to ACHD. Monday afternoon we have a **joint ISACHD/ESC** session on aortic aneurysms. Helmut

Baumgartner, Berto Bouma and Johan Holm will present cases of asymptomatic patients with bicuspid aortic valve, Marfan syndrome and atherosclerotic aortic aneurysm. By means of an automatic response system the audience will participate actively in discussions on when and how to operate the ascending aorta.

The GUCH Working Group has organised a social event at Sunday evening 29th of August. All ISACHD members are cordially invited. From 6.00 -9.00 pm there will be drinks and a small buffet or snacks at the "Courtyard by Marriott Stockholm hotel", RÅslambshovsleden 50, Stockholm.

I look forward meeting many of you in Stockholm!

**Regional News From Asia Pacific**

by *Koichiro Niwa MD*



**APSACHD in July in Chiba**

After Congress of 2nd Congress of Asia Pacific Society for Adult CHD (APSACHD) in July in Chiba.

Now it is the very moment to make progress of the Society.

We already fixed the constitutions and laws. Also we are in selecting process of core members of the Society. Also we already have web page (<http://www.apsachd.org/>). Therefore, the Society is now starting to develop. 3rd Congress of the Society will be held in Taipei in April, 2012.

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## Regional News From Europe



### GUCH Party at ESC Congress Stockholm, Sweden August 28, 2010

We have the pleasure to invite the ESC GUCH working group and ISACHD members to the GUCH party at the ESC Congress in Stockholm on **Sunday 28th of August at 6 o'clock PM.**

The address is **Courtyard by Marriott Stockholm , RÅ  
Ålambshovsleden 50**

Johan Holm

### 7th Advanced Symposium on ACHD

20 & 21 September 2010  
Royal College of Surgeons of England,  
London

#### Course Directors

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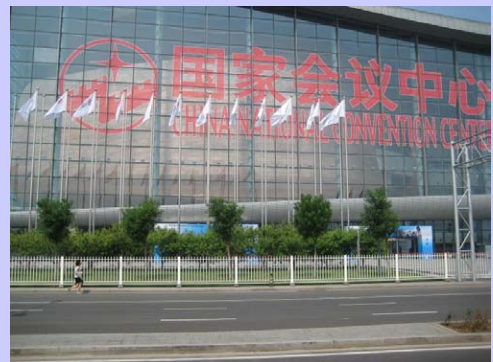
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## Regional News From Latin America

by *Luis E. Alday*

Very important topics related to ACHD were discussed by several ISACHD members and specialists from different countries at the 2010 World Congress of Cardiology in Beijing, China, from 16 - 19 June. On June 17 took place the Symposium "**ACHD: a rapidly growing population**" chaired by *Drs Luis Alday* (Argentina) and *Ling Han* (China). Dr *Alday* gave an "**Introduction to the subject**" and stressed the importance of registries for ACHD. Dr *Hector Maisuls* (Argentina) spoke about "**Transition from pediatric to adult care**" provoking an interesting discussion from the audience. Dr *Koichiro Niwa* (Japan) reported the experience of his center in "**Infective endocarditis**" which questions the recent controversial guidelines for endocarditis prophylaxis. Professor *Junbao Du* (China) gave an excellent update over the state of the art for the



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management of **"Pulmonary hypertension and Eisenmenger syndrome"**. Finally, Professor *Mary Cannobio* (United States), expressed her expert views about **"Pregnancy and contraception in ACHD"**.

A Clinical Seminar on **"Acute care of adults with congenital heart disease"** chaired by Ms *Laura Hayman* (United States) and *Catriona Jennings* (United Kingdom) was held on June 19 with the following speakers and topics. Ms *Yoshiko Mizuno* (Japan) addressed the **"Quality of life issues in the ACHD"**. Dr *Philip Moons* (Belgium) talked about **"Eisenmenger syndrome: keeping them safe in the hospital"**. Ms *Dorothy Pearson* (United States) dealt with the **"Clinical outcomes: clinically managing the post surgical ACHD patient"**. The session was closed by Ms *Mary Cannobio* (United States) who talked about the **"Standard of care in pregnancy and delivery: creating a normalcy in a field of abnormality"**. All presentations were excellent and followed with great interest and discussion by the attendance. There is no doubt that this event will develop great attention for the care of ACHD patients in China where this subspecialty has still not been duly considered.

## Regional News From North America

### ISACHD to Meet in Chicago!

Embassy Suites  
Chicago  
Downtown Lakefront  
511 North Columbus  
Drive,  
Chicago, IL 60611

Saturday, November  
13, 2010, 5 - 7 PM,  
Salon ABC

The semi-annual meeting of the International Society for Adult Congenital Heart Disease (ISACHD) is scheduled to be held during the Annual Scientific Sessions of the American Heart Association.



## Journal Watch

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