

ICMART NEWSLETTER

April 2016

In the history of ICMART there have been only three General Secretaries. The venerable Baron Dr Francois Beyens who is a founding board member and founding General Secretary. He was General Secretary for 27 years, retiring in 2010. Dr Walburg Maric-Oehler succeeded to the position until her passing in Dec 2014. Following the passing of Dr Walburg Maric-Oehler, ICMART was without a General Secretary for several months. At the ICMART board meeting of March 2015, I was appointed Interim General Secretary, and at the General Assembly of the Congress at Bali May 2015 I was officially elected General Secretary. I am privileged to be the third General Secretary.

I am Chin Chan and I am from Australia. I joined the ICMART Board in 2006 and was President of ICMART 2010 – 2012. I have served as Secretary and President of the Australian Medical Acupuncture College, and I continue to serve as a board member. My CV may be viewed on the ICMART website under the listing of board members. It is my mission to continue the smooth running of ICMART and together with the Board we will grow ICMART to become the umbrella organisation for Medical Acupuncture. The first generation of ICMART board members has passed into history with the retirement of Francois and departure of Walburg. We now have a second generation of younger directors who will build on the foundations established by the founders and strive to advance ICMART.

ICMART board Meetings are held three times each year February/March, May/June and August/September. The board members are mostly from Europe but some travel from as far as the USA and Australia. The meeting is usually in a city where a board member lives and he/she organises the venue. The meeting starts Saturday morning and finishes Sunday afternoon. It is time consuming and demanding. The work does not stop at the end of the meeting because each board member will leave with a number of tasks requiring further work. Thank you for your dedication.

ICMART Congress 2015

The ICMART Congress 2015 was held in Bali 8-10 May, under the aegis of HIDAMI (Association of Medical Acupuncture of Indonesia)

ICMART XVII Congress

Theme: Exploring Acupuncture in Medical Science

Date: 8-10 May 2015

Venue: Padma Resort Legian, Bali, Indonesia

Total participants 190 (29 countries)

- International: 98



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- Indonesia: 92

Scientific Papers: 58

Workshops: 6

Young Scientist Symposium: 2

Posters: 9

POSTER SESSION

First: Title: Efficacy and safety of neural therapy during an inpatient stay at a Clinic for Complementary and Integrative Medicine

Author: Anna K. Choi, G.J. Dobos, F.J. Saha - Germany

Second: Title: A Clinical View of Differential Diagnosis on Pattern Identification of Patients with Acne Vulgaris

Author: Woo-Yeol Jeong, Eu-Gen Hong, Jun-Hyuk Shin, Yoon-Bum Kim, Hae-Jung Nam, Jun-Hee Lee, Kyuseok Kim - Republic of Korea

Third Title: QI-DEFICIENCY IN THE PATIENTS WITH ALLERGIC DISORDERS

Author: Woo-Sang Jung, Young-Chul Yei, Won-Woo Choi, Hyeung Jin Jang, Bum Joon Kim, Kook Jin Lim, Ho-Yeon Go - Republic of Korea

YOUNG SCIENTIST SYMPOSIUM

First: Title: EFFECT OF ACUPUNCTURE AT FEISHU (BL-13) AND ZUSANLI (ST-36) ON PLASMA LEVELS OF INTERLEUKIN-17 IN CHRONIC ASTHMA MODEL MICE

Author: Ida Nurwati - Indonesia

Second: Title: EFFECT OF ACUPUNCTURE ON WORKING MEMORY AND HIPPOCAMPUS PYRAMIDAL LAMINA NEURONS IN RATS

Author: Selfi Handayani - Indonesia

PRE CONGRESS WORKSHOP : 7 May 2015

Venue: Padma Resort Legian Bali

Participants: 52

Theme:

- Paediatric acupuncture

- Aesthetic acupuncture

I am indebted to Dr Koosnadi Saputra for this report, Board Member and Convener for HIDAMI

I would like to add, at the start of the Congress Sonja Maric delivered a moving tribute to Walburg. Thank you Sonja.



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Pictures from Congress



Congress room



Opening Ceremony



Dr Sukarto (Congress President) and Dr Konstantina Theodoratou (ICMART President)



Opening ceremony musicians and Balinese dancers



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General Assembly



Dr Helmut Liertz and Dr Konstantina Theodoratou (President)



Dr Emil Iliev (President Bulgaria) speaking about ICMART Congress 2016

1st UAE International Acupuncture Conference

The United Arab Emirates held the 1st UAE International Acupuncture Conference in Abu Dhabi. Many international speakers were invited and ICMART was represented by Konstantina Theodoratou, Tommy Sommer, Patrick Sautreil and Chin Chan. It was a privilege to be part of that inaugural UAE Conference and hopefully play a part in the development of acupuncture in this area where it is an emerging modality of treatment.



Close of Conference



Tommy Sommer

Chin Chan



Konstantina Theodoratou

Patrick Sautreuil

ICMART Congress 2016

The ICMART Congress 2016 is only a couple of months away (10-12 June) in Sofia, Bulgaria. The Theme is “Acupuncture and Well-being”.

It is election year and board members elected will be announced at the General Assembly on Saturday 11th. We hope to see you in Sofia.

I will write again after the Congress www.icmart2016.com



Dr Chin Chan
General Secretary

