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Presidential Address

Matias Jiménez-Ayala, M.D., F.I.A.C.

President, XVth International Congress of Cytology

On behalf of the Scientific and Organizing Committees of the XVth International Congress of Cytology, it is my great pleasure to invite you to attend the congress, in Santiago de Chile on April 11–15, 2004.

The scientific program will encompass 6 satellite symposia, 2 half-day sessions, 13 panels and 9 seminars.

We are devoting a half-day session each to 2 important subjects, HPV and breast cytopathology. Drs. Meisels, Solomon and Villa have organized

the session on HPV, focusing on vaccines, biomarkers and screening, with international experts presenting the latest research and results. Drs. Rivera and Masood have put together the session on breast cytopathology, with the latest developments to be presented.

Three of the sessions are being dedicated to different aspects of screening

programs, 2 to intraoperative cytology and 3 to new developments in cytology. All anatomic areas will be reviewed by experts in 9 case seminars.

We have scheduled 9 award lectures and 12 invited lectures. Dr. Alfredo Dabancens, late president of the local organizing committee, has been posthumously awarded the Goldblatt Award for 2002 and will receive a testimonial in the opening ceremony for his great dedication to the congress.

J. Abarca and C. Keebler have organized a state-of-the-art

cytotechnology day. Six workshops will be presented by experts in the field. Invited and proffered papers and poster sessions will complete the program.

The scientific program is very attractive, and you are welcome to present your experience and participate in the sessions.



Matias Jiménez-Ayala, F.I.A.C.

Welcome to Santiago de Chile!

*José Perez Schalper, M.D., M.I.A.C.
President, Local Organizing Committee*

We are particularly proud that the International Academy of Cytology has chosen Santiago de Chile as the site of the XVth International Congress of Cytology, to be held April 11–15, 2004.



José P. Schalper, M.D., M.I.A.C.

Visiting Chile, the longest and narrowest country in the world, can be quite an experience. Its 4,329-km-long coastline is a showcase for virtually every landscape known—from arid, mineral-rich deserts to the perennially snow capped Andes Mountain range, the Pacific Ocean lapping along the coast, exotic Easter Island, pristine lakes, fertile valleys, mighty volcanos, fast-flowing rivers, and fjords and glac-

iers in Patagonia, as well as a view of icebound Antarctica.

Apart from enjoying the surprising geographic and climatic extremes, you will experience our traditional hospitality and taste our famous wines.

Carefully selected and structured preconference and postconference tours will allow you to get to know Chile at a reasonable price. You will be able to enjoy the fishing and skiing areas and the wine routes if you wish. Other well-known spectacular sites in South America, such as the Inca City of Machu Picchu in Peru, Rio de Janeiro in Brazil, Easter Island and even Tahiti, are within easy reach.

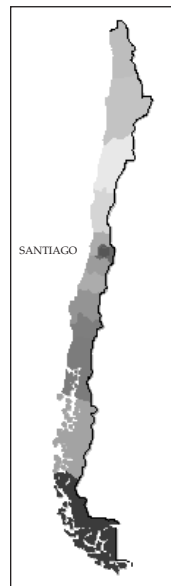
Your attendance will provide you with an unforgettable experience.

We look forward to seeing you in Santiago in April 2004!

Chile's Geography and People

With over 4,500 km of mountains and seashore, Chile is the world's longest and narrowest country. It contains glacial fields, desert, beaches and the highest volcano in South America.

Northern Chile boasts beaches, desert and the Andes Mountains. Chile's internationally known wines grow in the central region, which is also known for its agriculture, rodeos, mountain climbing and opportunity to ski in the morning and sunbathe on



the seashore in the afternoon. Southern Chile features rivers, snow-capped volcanoes, ancient forests and fjords.

The path across Cape Horn leads to Chile's Antarctic territory. Easter Island possesses giant statues, remnants of an ancient civilization.

If contrasts are a mark of Chile's geography, so they are of its people, who are of Spanish, German, Italian, English, Croatian, Arab and Native Indian descent.

Santiago: Chile's Capital

In 1541 Spanish captain Pedro de Valdivia founded Santiago, Chile's capital. At the foot of the Andes Mountains, Santiago stands 543 m above sea level and is 161 miles from the ocean.

About 5 million people, one-third of the Chilean population, live in Santiago, which has a Mediterranean climate, abundant parks and efficient transportation system.

In Santiago, restaurants are varied and plentiful. On the north bank of the river, the Bellavista neighborhood offers charming restaurants in an area of small theaters, art galleries and craft

shops. To the east, the El Bosque area features outstanding restaurants, also. Close to the Casapiedra Convention Center lies the BordeRio, with numerous opportunities for fine dining, including Peruvian, Italian, French and Chilean delicacies.

Santiago offers a wide range of shopping, from traditional artisans' baskets, ceramics and wood carvings to high fashion, jewelry and leather goods. A stop by the Graneros del Alba market, in Los Dominicos, to enjoy Chile's best collection of high-quality crafts is a must.

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The Latin American Society of Cytology

The Latin American Society of Cytology (LASC) will convene for its XIVth Congress during the XVth International Congress of Cytology, in April 2004 in Santiago de Chile.

The LASC was founded during the 1st International Congress of Cytology, held in Vienna, Austria, on August 31, 1961. The organization holds regular congresses every three years and is a focal point for all the Latin American cytology societies from Mexico to Chile.

The LASC serves as an umbrella organization of all the South and Central American societies of cytology and focuses on the activities of the national societies. It also maintains a strong, cordial relationship with the Spanish Society of

Cytology. As a matter of fact, combined meetings of all Spanish-speaking societies are held regularly as Ibero-American meetings.

The combined presentation of IAC and LASC congresses is not unique to Santiago. Under the direction of Drs. Lucrecia Illescas and Marcos Peluffo, a highly successful congress took place in May 1989 in Buenos Aires, Argentina, with over 1,200 participants.

The current president of the LASC, Dra. Carmen Alvarez, of Montevideo, Uruguay, has been instrumental, together with Dr. Jimenez-Ayala, in combining the efforts of the LASC and IAC to make the Chilean congresses in Santiago in April 2004 a most memorable event.



**Carmen Alvarez Santin,
M.D., M.I.A.C.**

Belgian Society for Clinical Cytology

Spring Meeting, Brussels, Belgium, March 15, 2003

Claire Bourgain, M.D.

The Spring Meeting of the Belgian Society of Clinical Cytology (BSCC) was dedicated to "Hot Topics in Cervical Cytology." The BSCC is one of the oldest cytology societies, founded in 1956 by Claude Gompel (ULB, Free University Brussels).



Members of the Board of the BSCC: (from left to right) Alain Verhest, Louis Thienpont (treasurer), Michelle Kevers, Claire Bourgain (secretary), Birgit Weynand, Maria Drijkoningen (president) and Claude Cuvelier. Board members not pictured: Philippe Delvenne, Francine Willocx, John-Paul Bogers, Myriam Rimmelinck and Marie-Annick Reginster.

The meeting was very well attended. In the morning, Dr. Maria Drijkoningen gave a lecture comparing diagnostic criteria of conventional and liquid-based cytology. Dr. Marluce Bibbo discussed interesting new techniques for implementation of liquid-based cytology at lower cost. The management of ASCUS lesions was extensively commented on by Dr. Christine Bergeron, with an emphasis on specific

financial implications for Europe. Dr. Peter Snijders discussed the role of HPV in the pathogenesis of cervical cancer and the options for implementation of HPV detection (p16) in population screening. Basic concepts of new biomarkers for cervical cancer progression were illustrated by Dr. Magnus von Knebel Doeberitz.

In the afternoon, Dr. Marluce Bibbo commented on the possibility of implementing p16 as an adjunct test in cervical cytology. An interactive slide seminar covering interesting cases and pitfalls in cervicovaginal cytology concluded the meeting.



Drs. Marluce Bibbo and Philippe Delvenne (past president, current secretary) at the meeting.

Light Source

Shiro Nozawa, M.D., Ph.D., born in 1939, is Professor and Chairman, Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, Keio University School of Medicine, Tokyo.

Dr. Nozawa was born in Gunma Prefecture, about 100 km north of Tokyo. Rich in natural beauty, the area contains several famous hot springs. Dr. Nozawa's father was a family practitioner devoted to caring for the community. A traditional Japanese wife, Dr. Nozawa's mother published several collections of *tanka*, traditional Japanese short poems.

Dr. Nozawa graduated from Keio University School of Medicine in 1965. After starting a residency in the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology at that university, he underwent a year and a half of training in the Department of Pathology. This experience constituted his initial formal training as a basic scientist. Dr. Nozawa vividly recalls his first presentation, in English, at an international congress of histochemistry and cytochemistry for basic scientists in Kyoto in 1972. After the presentation, an American scientist complimented Dr. Nozawa on his presentation; that scientist was Dr. William Fishman, in whose laboratory Dr. Nozawa began doing research 9 years later.

From 1972 to 1974 Dr. Nozawa worked in the Gynecology Department of the National Cancer Center Hospi-

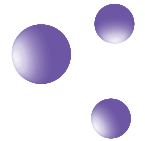
tal, Tokyo. There, the weekly multidisciplinary conferences left a lasting impression, with their intense discussions between physicians, all leaders in different oncology specialties. For the next 2 years, Dr. Nozawa conducted research in cell biology at the National Institutes of Health, Japan.

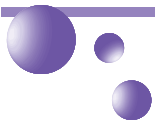
Dr. Nozawa then accepted a clinical position at Keio University Hospital. He established his own laboratory for gynecologic pathology and cell biology and spent a large amount of his own money to set up the lab. The lack of available space in the university necessitated combining a storage room and surrounding corridors to create the laboratory. Because of the long, narrow shape of the small lab and its distinctive, bright yellow door, Dr. Nozawa nicknamed the lab "yellow submarine" after the Beatles' hit song.

In 1976 Dr. Nozawa was promoted to Assistant Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology. After 3 months of hospitalization for a benign schwannoma, he decided to engage once again in research activities abroad. He and his wife set out on a trip to Europe and the United States to search for a laboratory that matched his scientific goals. After 2 months he found his way to the La Jolla Cancer Research Foundation (currently the Burnham Institute) in California; Dr. Fishman had just established it. Dr. Nozawa was a postdoctoral research



Shiro Nozawa, M.D., Ph.D.





fellow in Dr. Fishman's laboratory in 1981 and 1982.

It has been 13 years since Dr. Nozawa became Professor and Chairman of the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology at Keio University School of Medicine. He has been able to help develop the careers of many physicians under his tutelage and takes great pride in the strides they have made in both research and clinical practice; several eventually assumed professorships at other universities in Japan.

At present, Dr. Nozawa's staff is busy with preparations for hosting the annual meeting of the Japanese Society of Obstetrics and Gynecology in 2004. Dr. Nozawa, who is president of the meeting, expects 4,000–5,000 physicians to attend.

Currently Dr. Nozawa is a member of the Executive Council of the International Academy of Cytology. He has also recently been elected as a member of the Science Council of Japan, a select group of 210 members representing scientists from various fields throughout Japan. He is currently President of the Japan Society of

Obstetrics and Gynecology, the Japan Society of Gynecological and Obstetrical Surgery, and the Japan Society of Gynecologic Oncology. Dr. Nozawa is Director of the Japan Society for Cancer Therapy and Councilor of the Japanese Cancer Association. Formerly he served as President of the Japanese Society of Clinical Cytology.

When Dr. Nozawa is seeking a respite from his professional activities, he spends his time performing trend analyses of macroeconomics. He enjoys surveying the parameters of current economic trends to predict future ones. Dr. Nozawa especially enjoys searching for new models of computers and hand-held electronic devices for managing personal data and schedules. Since Dr. Nozawa frequently flies around the world for medical and scientific meetings, business equipment in store windows in foreign cities often catches his eye.

Regardless of whether Dr. Nozawa is engaged in professional or leisure activities, his philosophy of life is remains the same: to live life sincerely and honestly.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Juliana Fariña Gonzalez, Madrid, Spain
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Takahiro Kasamatsu, Tokyo, Japan
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