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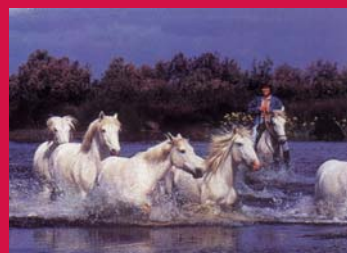
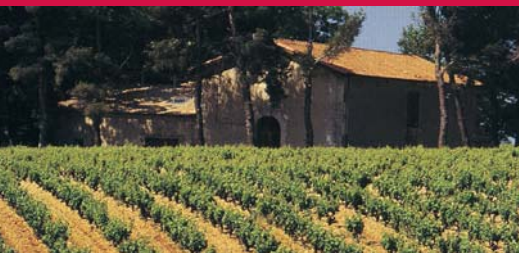


WCE 2011

TOWARDS EXCELLENCE

11th World Congress on
Endometriosis
4-7 September 2011
Montpellier France

www.wce2011.com



2nd ANNOUNCEMENT



Prepare for Montpellier, listen to the accordion!

Endometriosis is an enigma. At least that's what each textbook mentions in one way or the other. If all women show retrograde menstruation and if the reflux consists of viable endometrial fragments, why then do not all of them develop endometriosis? If refluxed endometrium is self-tissue, how is it recognised, and how does the peritoneal garbage collection and disposal system – the macrophages and natural killer cells – know it should be removed and destroyed in order to prevent its fearsome implantation on the peritoneal lining?

For a long time we have had many questions and few answers. Many women have endometriosis, few have symptoms. In some, extensive endometriosis is a chance finding during laparoscopic sterilisation, in others, with debilitating pain, a few red spots is all you can find. Dozens of factors, in the menstruum, in the blood, in the peritoneal fluid, have been described which occur at significantly different rates in women with and without endometriosis. But, if so many differences exist, doesn't this mean to say that we have not found the real cause yet?

Jed Babbin, George W Bush's deputy undersecretary of defense said, in January 2003: "Going to war without France is like going deer hunting without an accordion". Maybe we have gone to war on endometriosis too impulsively? With old-fashioned contrivances, with poor diagnostic tools, and with an imperfect therapeutic armamentarium.

Maybe we should pay more attention to the accordion? Now is the time to really make scientific progress. Fascinating new techniques in cell and molecular biology, population genetics, tissue typing, immunology and advanced medical imaging finally allow us to try and understand what happens when the first few viable fragments of functional endometrium detach from their basal layer and start their travel through the tubes. Customised medicines, personalised pharmaco-genetics, targeted drug delivery systems will follow.

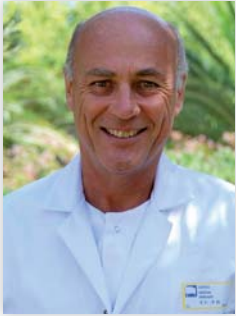
Only when we understand endometriosis can we treat it. An exciting new phase in the quest for knowledge starts right now. The results will be presented (in France!) in Montpellier.

Join in the excitement, come to Montpellier in 2011.

Hans Evers
President
World Endometriosis Society

UPDATES NOTIFIER

If you wish to be informed of updates about the congress, please submit your email address on the congress website www.wce2011.com (click on KEEP ME UPDATED)



Dear colleagues,

This is a personal invitation to you.

We are very proud in Montpellier to have the opportunity to receive our colleagues from every part of the world on the occasion of the 11th World Congress on Endometriosis.

We are dedicated to make this congress a very special event both scientifically and socially. Endometriosis is one of the challenges in women's health. Numerous exciting studies and research are currently under way and will bring new developments that will be presented and discussed at length in 2011.

Montpellier has a long lasting and renowned medical tradition - its medical university is one of the very first in France. September is the time of the grape harvest and certainly the best period of the year to pay a visit to the South of France, after the hordes of tourists have left the beaches and the charming villages. The weather and the temperature are exactly right!

Around the Montpellier Academic Hospital's medical team, we have gathered a national organising committee, with the participation of neighbouring countries, in addition to the international scientific committee. We will work hard to organise a perfect and memorable congress and hope that you will be able to accept our invitation and participate in moving the field of endometriosis forward towards excellence.

On behalf of the organising committee,
Bernard Hedon
President
WCE 2011

IMPORTANT DATES

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

Online submission starts

Deadline for submission of abstracts

30 September 2010

31 March 2011

REGISTRATION

Early bird registration closes

31 May 2011

RODOLPHE MAHEUX AWARD

The Rodolphe Maheux Award, which carries a cash prize of € 1,000 towards a future scientific meeting, will be presented to the first author and presenter of the best clinical presentation or poster at WCE2011. The author/presenter must be under the age of 40 at the time of the congress.

Planning

	Sunday 4 September	Monday 5 September	
07.00 – 08.15	<p>PRE-CONGRESS COURSE:</p> <p>Excellence in endometriosis surgery Société de Chirurgie Gynécologique et Pelvienne <i>Chairs: C. Chapron (FR), P. Madelenat (FR), M. Canis (FR)</i></p>	Sponsored symposium	
08.30 – 10.30		<p>Seminar #1 (scientific) Environmental influences on the development of endometriosis <i>K. Osteen (US)</i></p> <p>5 best abstracts</p>	<p>Seminar #2 (clinical) Therapeutic management in deep endometriosis <i>C. Chapron (FR)</i></p> <p>5 best abstracts</p>
10.30 – 11.00		Coffee/tea - poster viewing - exhibits	
11.00 – 11.30		<p>Keynote Lecture #1 A new classification of endometriosis <i>C. Miller (US)</i></p>	
11.30 – 12.00		<p>Keynote Lecture #2 Is endometriosis a pre-neoplastic condition? <i>S.-W. Guo (CN)</i></p>	
12.00 – 13.00		Sponsored symposium	
13.00 – 14.00		Lunch - poster viewing - exhibits	
14.00 – 15.00		<p>Seminar #3 (scientific) Endometrium and endometriosis <i>C. Gargett (AU)</i></p> <p>5 best abstracts</p>	<p>Seminar #4 (clinical) Prevention of recurrences <i>C. Petta (BR)</i></p> <p>5 best abstracts</p>
15.00 – 16.00		Coffee/tea - poster viewing - exhibits	
16.00 – 16.30		<p>Special seminar on communication Talking with the patient, talking with the doctor, shared decision making, and informed consent <i>D. Soriano (IL)</i></p>	
16.30 – 17.30		POSTER SESSION with wine & cheese	
17.30 – 18.30		FREE EVENING	
19.00 – 21.00		<p>Opening ceremony Cocktail reception</p>	

Sunday 4 September

PRE-CONGRESS WORKSHOP

Montpellier 2011 consensus on the clinical
management of endometriosis
World Endometriosis Society
Chair: N. Johnson (NZ)
Attendance by invitation only

Tuesday 6 September		Wednesday 7 September	
Sponsored symposium		Sponsored symposium	
Seminar #5 (scientific) Pain and pain mechanisms in women with endometriosis <i>K. Berkley (US)</i> 5 best abstracts	Seminar #6 (clinical) Quality of life and sexuality in women with endometriosis <i>A. Ebert (DE)</i> 5 best abstracts	Seminar #9 (scientific) The omics: new approaches to an old problem <i>L. Hull (AU)</i> 5 best abstracts	Seminar #10 (clinical) Infertility and endometriosis <i>A. Arici (US)</i> 5 best abstracts
Coffee/tea - poster viewing - exhibits		Coffee/tea - poster viewing - exhibits	
Keynote Lecture #3 Impact and predictability of endometriosis <i>K. Zondervan (UK)</i>		Free Communications #3 (scientific)	Free Communications #4 (clinical)
Keynote Lecture #4 Micro-RNA regulated pathways in endometriosis <i>M. Ohlsson-Teague (AU)</i>			
Free Communications #1 (scientific)	Free Communications #2 (clinical)	Late breaking sessions	
Lunch - poster viewing - exhibits			
Seminar #7 (scientific) Endometriosis and pregnancy <i>J. Brosens (UK)</i> 5 best abstracts	Seminar #8 (clinical) Early diagnosis and screening <i>F. Parazzini (IT)</i> 5 best abstracts	Closing ceremony (Awards and WCE2014)	
Coffee/tea - poster viewing - exhibits			
Debate Endometriomas and infertility Surgery <i>M. Canis (FR)</i> No surgery <i>J. Garcia-Velasco (ES)</i>		Closing ceremony (Awards and WCE2014)	
WES General Assembly			
CONGRESS PARTY			

Thursday 8 September
POST-CONGRESS WORKSHOP

International consensus workshop to determine research priorities for endometriosis
WES and WERF
 Chair: P. Rogers (AU)
 Contact wes@endometriosis.org
 to register your interest – attendance is limited to 50 participants

Congress Venue



4 – 7 SEPTEMBER 2011

**Le Corum
Esplanade Charles de Gaulle
34000 Montpellier
France**



Tip!

Pick your hotel within walking distance of the congress centre. They are all right in the centre of the city. You have all the shops and restaurants around.

HOW TO GET TO LE CORUM

Montpellier-Méditerranée International Airport

The airport serves 60 destinations with 14 flights a day to Paris (a flight of one hour and ten minutes).

From the airport to the centre of Montpellier it is a 20 minute drive.

Train (T.G.V.) to Montpellier from all major French cities

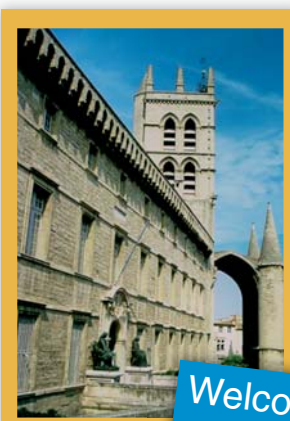
11 daily connections from Paris (a 3 hour 15 minute journey)

The station is a 10 minute walk from Le Corum.

Motorway

Exit 29 Montpellier Est, Town Centre

500 car parking spaces under Le Corum.



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Welcome to Montpellier
Welcome to the
SOUTH OF FRANCE



Tip!

Before the congress:
Take a holiday in a beach resort

After the congress:
Visit a vineyard. It is harvest time!

LANGUAGE

The official language of the congress is English. There will be no simultaneous translation.

CLIMATE

The average temperature in Montpellier in September ranges between 18 – 25°C.

CLOTHING

Informal for all occasions.

Registration & Accommodation

Contact: reg@wce2011fr.com

REGISTRATION

Online registration available from 30 September 2010

Reduced fees for early registration until 31 May 2011

Registration fees (including VAT)

EARLY BIRD Before 31 May 2011	Standard delegate	WES member	Scientist, Trainee*	Student, Nurse* Patients**
CONGRESS Monday-Tuesday-Wednesday (1)	480 €	400 €	240 €	200 €
PRE CONGRESS COURSE Sunday (2)	120 €	100 €	90 €	70 €
LATE BIRD From 1 June 2011				
CONGRESS Monday-Tuesday-Wednesday (1)	530 €	450 €	290 €	250 €
PRE CONGRESS COURSE Sunday (2)	170 €	150 €	130 €	120 €
ON SITE				
CONGRESS Monday-Tuesday-Wednesday (1)	630 €	550 €	390 €	350 €
PRE CONGRESS COURSE Sunday (2)	220 €	200 €	180 €	170 €

* Registration form must be accompanied by a letter from their head of department confirming their status.

** Women representing endometriosis support organisations.

Fees for participants include:

1 Get-together reception on Sunday / participation in all scientific sessions on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday / entrance to the exhibition / abstract book and final programme / coffee breaks

2 Participation on Sunday in the pre-congress course "Excellence in endometriosis surgery" and get-together reception.

SOCIAL EVENTS

Opening ceremony & Welcome reception (included in the congress fee)

Le Corum: Sunday, 4 September 2011

Congress Party (60 € including VAT)

Musée Fabre - Guided visit and dinner: Tuesday, 6 September 2011

City tour and excursions

Suggestions will be available on the congress website from 30 September 2010.

ACCOMMODATION

The organisers have made block bookings in various categories of hotels.

Online booking will be available from 30 September 2010

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2008-2011: **Johannes LH EVERS** *The Netherlands*

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