



GARD Newsletter

GARD Country Activities - Argentina



First Regional Launch of GARD in Latin America:

On August 17, 2006, GARD made its first regional launch for Latin America in Buenos Aires, Argentina. It took place during the XIV Latin American Congress of Allergy, Asthma and Immunology. More than 800 participants from the region and abroad attended this successful launch, which resulted in a broad press coverage in the regional media.



Raising Awareness: Today, members from GARD Argentina continue to champion for better lung health. For example, Drs Susana de Barayzarra (Chair) and Silvana Corelli (Co-Chair) from the Hospital San Roque in Córdoba Argentina worked on raising awareness during the Asthma Week (14-18 May 2018) where both patients and physicians participated in educational activities.



Health Promotion: On the World No Tobacco Day, efforts were made by the Argentinean National Ministry of Health in promoting the benefits of quitting smoking.

<http://www.msal.gob.ar/index.php/component/content/article/46-ministerio/548-dia-mundial-sin-tabaco>



Education & Research: An international meeting in April 2018 was organized by Fundación Libra, dedicated to education and research in respiratory and allergic diseases in Argentina with participation from local and regional opinion leaders. Presenters included: Dr Marilyn Urrutia Pereira (Brazil) and Marylin Valentin Rostán (Uruguay) and facilitators included: Drs Anahi Yañez and Maximiliano Gómez (Argentina and SLaaI)



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GARD Publications (<http://gard-breathefreely.org/publications/>; last 5 months, Feb to June 2018)IN JOURNAL OF THORACIC DISEASE-GARD SECTION (<http://jtd.amegroups.com/>):

- **Arzu Yorgancıoğlu, Bilun Gemicioglu**, Banu Ekinci, Zübeyde Özkan, Hasan Bayram, Begüm Ergan, Refika Ersu, Ali Kocabaş, Nurdan Köktürk. Asthma in the context of global alliance against respiratory diseases (GARD) in Turkey. *Journal of Thoracic Disease*; **10(3):2052-2058**.
- **Alvaro A. Cruz, Paulo A. Camargos, Marilyn Urrutia-Pereira, Rafael Stelmach**. Global Alliance against Chronic Respiratory Diseases (GARD) Brazil success case: overcoming barriers. *Journal of Thoracic Disease*; **10(1):534-8**.

OTHER RELEVANT PUBLICATIONS BY GARD COLLEAGUES:(To download these publications, go to <http://gard-breathefreely.org/publications/>; last 5 months, Feb to June 2018)

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Upcoming Relevant Conferences & Events**INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES:**

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- **31 August - 1 September 2018 - The GARD General Meeting, Helsinki, Finland**
 - Final Program: https://GARD_2018GM_Program
 - For registration: https://GARD_2018GM_Registration
 - For hotel reservation: http://GARD_2018GM_Hotel
 - Overarching theme: "The Natural Step to Respiratory Health" highlighting the importance of nature and its effects on our health, well-being and immune balance, See the presentation of Prof Tari Haahtela on this topic: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xLtmbMt-aCY>
 - 13 September 2018 - **The 2018 Global Respiratory Summit**, Paris France, cost-hosted by COPD Global & Global Allergy & Asthma Patient Platform (GAAPP), contact kwillard@copdfoundation.org for details

NATIONAL CONGRESSES:

- 22 July 2018 - Annual Scientific Congress of **Ho Chi Minh City Society of Asthma, Allergy & Clinical Immunology**, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam (<http://www.hoihendumdltstphcm.org.vn>), email contact: acocu.vn@gmail.com
- Sept 2018 - GARD - Air Pollution Impact in Latin América, Bolivarian Chapter - Regional **SLaai Congress**, Perú
- 26 Sept - 29 Sept 2018 - XIII International Congress of the **Polish Society of Allergology**, Mikolajki, Poland (<https://congress2018.szkoleniapta.pl/>)
- 20 October - 23 October 2018 - 45th Congress of **Allergy and Immunology of Brazil** (ASBAI), Recife, Brazil
- 31 October - 3 November 2018 - The 25th National Congress of the **Romanian Society of Pneumology**: The lung and the air quality: a new frontier, Poiana Brasov, Romania
- 29 November - 2 December 2018- 23rd Congress of the **Asian Pacific Society of Respirology** in Taipei, Taiwan (<https://www.apsr2018.com/>)

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