International Forum for the Study of Itch (IFSI)

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Dear IFSI Members, This newsletter updates developments in our society.

World Congress on Itch (WCI) 2021

The 11th World Congress on Itch was held from October 22-23 as a virtual meeting. More than 500 participants followed the presentations and discussions on their monitors. A great success! We thank the local organizer, Jacek Szepietowski, and the General secretary, Radomir Reszke, very much for all the hard work. The media company "Termedia" from Poland was responsible for the technical setting and had everything under control. Everything went smoothly. Thank you!

For the first time the Young Investigator Council (YIC) of IFSI organized an own 2-hour session on Friday 22, 2021 during the WCI with interesting presentations and discussions. The session was also a success all around.

World Congress on Itch (WCI) 2023

Preparations for the 12th World Congress on Itch are already in full progress. Gil Yosipovitch is local organizer. The congress will be held as a face-to-face meeting in Miami, Florida, USA, from November 4-7, 2023. More information will follow.

Global Education Day 2022

Save the date for the Global Education Day: Thursday, March 24, 2022! After a two-year break, there will be again a Global Education Day in 2022 one day before the annual AAD meeting from March 25-29, 2022, in Boston, Massachusetts, USA. IFSI will participate with its own program and is looking forward to many registrations from IFSI members. More information is available on the <u>IFSI website</u>.

ISID 2023

The "International Societies for Investigative Dermatology (ISID)" meeting will be held in Tokyo as a face-to-face meeting on May 10-13, 2023. A hybrid model is also planned. IFSI could hold its own satellite symposium (organized by IFSI, one day prior to the meeting). The IFSI board welcomed this idea. Planning is in progress. More information will follow.



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IFSI continues the cooperation with Wolters Kluwer also in 2022. We would like to remind all IFSI members again to submit manuscripts for your ITCH journal <u>https://journals.lww.com/itch/pages/default.aspx</u> Reviews of any length, commentaries, small clinical or observational studies are welcome, not only research studies. You are encouraged to reach out directly to our editor, Ethan Lerner, elerner@mgh.harvard.edu.

We hope that you all are staying safe. Have a wonderful holiday season.

With best wishes for 2022!

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