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Focus on PVDs: Enhancing Research, Improving Clinical Practice



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Dear Professor Haworth,
distinguished guests

Welcome to Guangzhou! I'm very happy to see you all at the PVRI 8th Annual World Congress on Pulmonary Vascular Disease and the 7th National Congress on Pulmonary Embolism and Pulmonary Vascular Diseases. This is the first time that PVRI annual congress was held in Asia. I want to thank PVRI for giving us such an honor to host this meeting and I hope you have a good time in Guangzhou.

Pulmonary Vascular Disease has been concerned worldwide not only for its no cure and lacking of understanding but also for its huge disease burden, especially in the developing countries. In 2006, the Pulmonary Vascular Research Institute (PVRI) was established to improve condition of global patients with pulmonary vascular disease and special care was given to patients in developing countries. To achieve

this goal, the members of PVRI have held annual congress and other meetings around the world.

China also has devoted so much to the PVD. Since nineteen seventies, we have began to work on PVD research mainly on COPD induced pulmonary heart diseases. Over the past 15 years, China have made great progress in diagnose, treatment and research on PTE and some of our research have changed the clinical practice of PTE. Nowadays, Chinese scientists and physicians are carrying out research on the diagnosis and treatment of different PVDs such as PTE, pulmonary hypertension and high altitude pulmonary hypertension. And there are more and more young and talented young Chinese scientists and Physicians joined us for a better understanding of PVD, which ensure the PVD treatment and research in China a bright future.

Collaboration with PVRI has been a very vital way to improve the treatment and research of PVD in China. And China has become a more and more important part of PVRI's global, historic mission. This year's PVRI world congress has attracted amounts of Chinese doctors and scientists who are interested in PVD. I think this congress would offer them a good chance to communicate with the top experts all around the world and inspire ideas for their future research.

I really appreciate for the great help from Chinese Medical Association, Guangdong Medical Association, Guangzhou Medical University and Guangzhou Institute of Respiratory Diseases. This meeting will not happen without their great effort.

I wish the congress a complete success and let's work together for a better life of PVD patients all over the world.

Thank you!

Chen Wang

Distinguished colleagues and
guests

We are delighted to invite you to attend the Pulmonary Vascular Research Institute (PVRI) 8th Annual World Congress on Pulmonary Vascular Disease and the 7th National Congress on Pulmonary Embolism and Pulmonary Vascular Disease.

The PVRI exists to help improve the care of patients with pulmonary vascular disease throughout the world, particularly in the disadvantaged communities of the developing world, to facilitate research in the clinical and basic science of the disease and to encourage the development and availability of new therapies, working with the pharmaceutical and regulatory authorities.

The PVRI is a global networking environment which enables its members from developed and developing countries to share and generate knowledge.

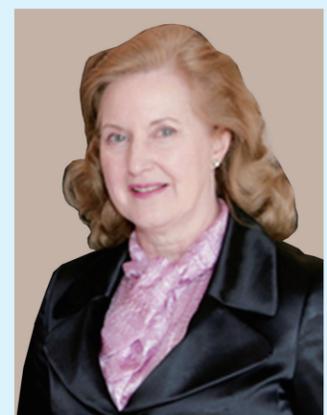
We are a very open organization. The PVRI is anxious to help and encourage the young and there is a special forum to facilitate their activities. The young members produce their own journal, the PVRI Chronicle.

Our membership is open to all members of the medical and scientific community interested in pulmonary hypertension. Everyone is welcome!

Most importantly, we work through Regional Task Forces around the world. These Task Forces raise awareness of pulmonary hypertension and work to improve clinical care, and research in their community. In addition, there are Task Forces of investigators with a particular disease or specialty interest.

Our members come together for two international meetings a year, the most important of which is the PVRI Annual World Congress on Pulmonary Vascular Disease, held in a different country every year, and this year we are very honoured to visit China.

On behalf of the PVRI, we look forward to welcoming you to beautiful Guang Zhou. We believe we can inspire each other to make a difference in pulmonary vascular research worldwide.



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