

SIOP winter news from Latin America (Dec.14,2017)

SANTIAGO, Chile:

The Children's and Cancer Foundation, of Chile (Fundacion Niño y Cancer) between their aid programs gives University scholarships (financial support) to children who have had Cancer or leukemia in his childhood. Also makes, among other things, a ski workshop for children amputees by cancer in which with the help of an instructor for each, all of these patients end up skiing. Each year, since the 2002, 10 patients from different countries go to the snow. This year, one of our patients who received the benefit of education and ski, which is currently medical doctor, has just won a quota in the USA, to participate in the Paralympic Games of Pyeong Chang 2018 where will be the twelfth Paralympic Winter Games, is it take place in Pyeong Chang, South Korea from 9 to 18 March 2018. This event fills us with pride as a Foundation (I am the President) and is a clear incentive for our cancer patients who have suffered an amputation in situations in which a limb sparing surgery was not possible (www.ninoycancer.cl)



Guayaquil, Ecuador:

ASION (Children's Oncology Association of the Community of Madrid) at a GALA dinner on November 25, 2017 in Madrid awarded the Dr. Francisco Icaza Bustamante Child Hospital in Guayaquil, for the opening of the Oncology Service in a Public Hospital, from 4 to 24 beds. It has been a hard struggle but the perseverance and vocation of these professionals made them achieve their goals. It was a constant struggle for 9 years they wanted to faint, but the will and love for their patients made them continue. Dr. Pérez de Cuba, as well as the Minister of Health M. Verónica Espinoza visited the Hospital. The First Lady of the country has given them all the support. In addition they have hired 30 people between medical and paramedic personnel. This is the only public unit dedicated to pediatric oncology in the Costa region of Ecuador





Buenos Aires, Argentina:

Stratification of Pediatric Oncology Units in Argentina

Dr. Florencia Moreno, delegate SLAOP of Argentina informs us that: The National Program of Comprehensive Care of Children and Adolescents with Cancer, together with the National Directorate of Health Regulation and Quality in Health Services of the Ministry of Health, promotes the process of formalization of the stratification of Pediatric Oncology Units (UOP).

In the course of 2017 we worked with multidisciplinary small groups of experts in leukemia, brain tumors and solid tumors, then in October a working meeting was held to reach a consensus on the necessary requirements for the adequate care of each of the pediatric pathologies. The following aspects were taken into account: building structure, equipment and human resources.

The heads of the 31 UOPs of public hospitals in the country, experts in the subject and references of scientific societies, participated in the consensus.

During 2018, work will be carried out on the validation and regulation of the same.

SAO PAULO, Brazil:

SLAOP (Latin American Society of Pediatric Oncology) and SNOLA (State of the art in neuro / oncology) are organizing their next congress from March 15 to 17, 2018. The XXIX Congress of SLAOP will be held in Sao Paulo Brazil and will have the support of SIOP



Dr. Andrea Cappellano is the President of the XXIX SLAOP Congress and Dr. Marco Maldaun the President of SNOLA

The Latin American Society for Pediatric Oncology (SLAOP) Congress is a great event that annually brings together experts of high scientific standard from the most diverse areas of pediatric oncology in Latin America, the United States, Canada and Europe. In 2018, after several years, this one returns to Brazil with the expectation of gathering even more experts of pediatric oncology, pediatric surgery, radiology, radiotherapy, pathology, besides nurses, psychologists, nutritionists, physiotherapists among others, with the great differential of the partnership with SNOLA. This partnership will strengthen the central theme of this year, the neuro-oncology, favoring the exchange of information and experiences between the universe of pediatric and adult neurooncology in a grand style.

Welcome!



Dr. Marco Maldaun
Presidente de SNOLA

It is with great satisfaction that we invite everyone to participate in the SNOLA 2018 - The State of Art in Neuro-Oncology, which will take place from March 15 to 17, 2018 at the Tivoli Mofarrej hotel, São Paulo / SP. Like the 2016 event, this will be the largest and most complete neuro-oncology event in Latin America.

Our first SNOLA official event, the Update on Neuro-Oncology, took place in March 2016 in Rio de Janeiro and featured more than 20 international speakers and almost 600 congress members. The return of the congressmen could not have been better, our average satisfaction score was 8.74, and the percentage recommending the event to a colleague was 99.3%. This merit has been won despite all the difficulties we know that this multidisciplinary area faces in scientific and practical terms.

With this in mind, we again attempt to set up an event with a broad focus on the main oncological pathologies of the central nervous system, involving all the disciplines that assist neurological patients, such as neuroimaging, neuropathology, neurologists, neurosurgeons, oncologists, radiotherapists, physiatrists, palliatives and assistance staff. In addition, we will have a prominent political and economic forum with the aim of discussing problems and solutions applicable to neuro-oncology.

We are very proud to also receive the support and participation of the World Federation of Neuro-Oncology Societies, which we are part of together with SNO, EANO and ASNO, representing and developing neuro-oncology in Latin America.

SLAOP member participation at the 49th SIOP Congress Washington, D.C. 2017

On October 12-15, 2017, the International Society for Pediatric Oncology (SIOP) 2017 Annual Congress was held in Washington, D.C., United States.

There was a total of 201 participants from Latin America: Brazil 36%, Colombia 15%, Mexico 13%, Argentina 13%, Peru 4%, Chile 4% and approximately agree with the population of each country, follow with 1 or 2 participants Ecuador, Paraguay, Venezuela, Bolivia, Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Jamaica, Panama. The gran total was 1957 (645 from USA and 1302 out of USA)

The presence and participation of the delegates of SLAOP in this event was important, highlighting the following events and recognitions:

JOINT AGREEMENT SIOP -SLAOP

In a closed session between the SIOP board and part of the SLAOP board of directors, points of agreement were discussed between these companies that will consolidate SLAOP as the Latin American branch of SIOP.

Dr. Scott Howard (Secretary elect SIOP), Dr. Juan Quintana (Continental President SIOP Latin America) and Dr. Guillermo Chantada (Vice President SLAOP) in the picture.



MEET THE EXPERTS - RETINOBLASTOMA

During two consecutive days, Dr. Guillermo Luis Chantada (Vice-President SLAOP) made presentations at the "Meet the Experts" session on the topic of controversies in the management of retinoblastoma. The session had an excellent reception and inspiring discussion on visual preservation strategies.

SLAOP MEMBER AWARDS

We congratulate Dr. Florencia Moreno (Argentina) for having obtained the first place in the session of Discussion of Posters in Epidemiology with her work "Childhood Cancer: Survival in Argentina. Report from the National Pediatric Cancer Registry, ROHA net, 2000-2010".

We also congratulate Dr. Cecilia Ugaz Olivares (Peru) for having won the "Young Investigator Award" 2017.

SESSION "BEST OF THE CONTINENTS"

During the PODC session, the winning entries were presented orally at the SLAOP 2017 Congress, with great interest and participation from the audience.

"Malignant B-cell neoplasms with a minor intensity induction: experience at the JP Garrahan hospital". Dr. Cristian Sánchez La Rosa (Argentina)

"Prognostic impact of delay in diagnosis and treatment of children with osteosarcoma in Peru". Dr. Liliana Vásquez (Peru)

MENTORING PROGRAM FOR YOUNG RESEARCHERS SLAOP - SIOP

The pilot program of Mentoría for young physicians investigating SIOP was launched, which includes young doctors under 40 years of age in Latin America, in collaboration with SLAOP. During the conference, there was an opportunity to initiate activities and set goals for SLAOP mentors and young researchers.



Dr. Carlos Rodríguez-Galindo (St. Jude) as mentor of Dr. Jacqueline Montoya of Peru (SLAOP member).

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