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Message of the President of the congress

20 centuries ago, the troops of the famous roman general Cneius pompeius magnus, were already benefiting from the Dax maturated muds. The roman soldiers returned home long ago, but patients with musculo-skeletal conditions continue to be successfully treated. The peloids made Dax one of the most antique, much-acclaimed and active spa resort in France.

20 years ago, an academic institute was created in Dax. It is dedicated to the training of professionals for balneotherapy care facilities and other hydrotherapy activities as well as to scientific research. The Dax institute will host the venue of the 45th ISMH Congress. We hope the delegates will share the best and most novel of the scientific knowledge and professional experiences.

2021 june 10 & 11, Dax will be proud to offer you the traditional and celebrated hospitality of the south-west of France. I am sure all of you will enjoy it.

Welcome in Dax.

Pr. Christian-F. Roques Acad Nat Med

Message of the ISMH President

Dear Friends and Colleagues,

Welcome to the 45th World Congress of Medical Hydrology.

The International Society of Medical Hydrology (ISMH) is proud to have its 45th Congress in Dax under the Presidency of Prof. Christian-François Roques-Latrille.

France has a great tradition in Balneology. Not only historical but also in scientific, social and cultural aspects. Dax is a very good example of this with its rich history and its Institute of Thermalism where Education and Research get together allowing a very important development on Balneology knowledge. Thus, having an ISMH Congress in this thermal city constitutes a very special occasion. We are expecting participants from all over the world. ISMH is spreading its presence on more places allowing the contact of scientists from different countries, regions and cultures. With this we are giving people more opportunities to share their knowledge and experience with their colleagues from all over the world. I am convinced that the presentations within the proposed topics will reach a high level and will interested you. Besides the scientific contents this congress aims to increase the participation of all the ISMH members in its activities. To start this process we would like to invite you all to our General Assembly to share and discuss our ideas and future plans. We will talk there about statutes review, website renewal, financial situation, next congresses, international courses, cooperation with other balneology institutions. For this we do need the contribution of all of you.

In conclusion we may say that this 45th Congress has many important aspects to the future of Medical Hydrology. We trust on a good participation in the success of the organization. Wish you a fruitful meeting and a wonderful stay in Dax that can bring you excellent memories.

Sincerely yours,

Pr. Pedro Cantista

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THE HISTORY OF BALNEOLOGY IN THE CITY OF DAX, FRANCE

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Dax is a medium-size city from Southwestern France located on the banks of the Adour river which is world famous for its balneology activity and especially mud-based therapy. The beginning of this practice traces back to some decades after the Roman conquest of the Aquitaine province. The legend of the legionnaire abandoning its old rheumatic dog that, thereafter, has totally healed after immersion in Adour muds, symbolizes this period. The successive names of this city have been associated with water (aqua in latin): Aquae Tarbellicae, Civitas Aquensium, d'Acqs, and finally Dax. The emblematic monument at the heart of Dax is the hot fountain ('fontaine chaude'), water temperature 64°C, which was edified during the second century AD. Its waters were used for baths during many centuries after water cooling in large pools. As elsewhere, the balneology activity declined after the fall of Rome and was limited to care of soldiers and local population ('hole of the poors').

In the 18th century the rebirth of thermal activity is reported on historical writings and associated with the first scientific studies. At that time there were already a large panel of unorganized and dirty facilities and, furthermore, drinkable water was rare! At the end of the 18th century thermal facilities were numerous about fifteen (nearly the same number as today), of various class level, and among the biggest in Europe. They included among others the 'Grands Thermes' (luxury, recently opened), and the ancient 'Baignots' (high range), 'Séris' or 'Saint-Pierre' (middle range) plus some resorts around the 'fontaine chaude' (low class).

The so-called 'golden age' occurred with the 19th century. The inauguration of the railway station in the presence of Eugenie, wife of Emperor Napoleon III and 'balneology fan', allowed to significantly increase the number of customers, especially those of upper social classes such as aristocrats and artists. In 1882 Dax hosted the first international congress on mud therapy. A series of local community leaders (especially the two mayors Milliès-Lacroix) contributed significantly in the development of thermal activity.

With the advent of the 20th century began the era of large scale balneotherapy symbolized by the creation of the summer feast including corridas taking place in the new bull ring (1913). Lot of modern buildings changed the face of the city, as for instance the

'Splendid' hotel, a art-déco palace (inaugurated in 1929 just before the Wall street krach) and, just beside, a thermal complex designed by Jean Nouvel. After the second World War and reimbursement of thermal stays by the French health system, balneology entered its social period. Water- and mud-based therapies were accredited for rheumatology and phlebology. In 1948 a geothermic project did not move to reality. From the end of the 1970's a rehabilitation center, a balneotherapy facility for phlebology and a spa complex (inspired from Baden-Baden) were created in Saint-Paulles-Dax, a small locality adjoined to Dax.

Since 2000, Dax is home for the 'Institut du Thermalisme' which is part of the University of Bordeaux and dedicated to education and research in the field of balneology. Before the current pandemic, Dax and its suburbs represented the first French thermal site owing to the number of patients (over 50.000 per year, about 10 % of our national attendance). What will be the future of this activity in the post-covid era?

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