EDITORIAL

International Initiatives for the Breast Healthcare Worldwide

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The Senology International Society is very active and is participating of many international initiatives for the Breast Healthcare worldwide. Members of the board of directors have been in the most important international meetings and SIS is endorsing the summits. The SIS Journal is publishing these summits according the rules of their organizers.

In this number we will publish the Summit of The World Oncology Forum that was a gathering of leading cancer researchers, clinicians, policy makers, industry representatives, patient advocates and journalists. It was convened by the European School of Oncology (www.eso.net) on the occasion of its 30th anniversary in Lugano, Switzerland, on 26–27 October 2012, in partnership with The Lancet. It has been launched worldwide on February 4th, 2013, Cancer World Day. We ask you to read and widespread in your country.
In October 2012, SIS has participated of the INTERNATIONAL BREAST HEALTH SUMMIT SUPPORTIVE CARE and QUALITY OF LIFE FOR WOMEN IN UNDERSERVED COUNTRIES

Decade of leading international breast cancer clinical "best practices" movement led to international breast health summit of the Breast Health Global Initiative on supportive care and quality of
life for women in underserved countries, convened in cooperation with the U.N. International Atomic Energy Agency in Vienna.

For women with breast cancer in low- and middle-resource countries (LMCs) and other medically underserved areas around the world, the need for supportive care and the consideration of quality-of-life issues are often overlooked. The Global Summit on International Breast Health: Guidelines for International Breast Health and Cancer Control, convened by the Breast Health Global Initiative (BHGI), in cooperation with the International Atomic Energy Agency Programme of Action for Cancer Therapy of the United Nations, October 3-5, 2012 in Vienna, Austria, addressed these often-neglected areas of "Supportive Care and Quality of Life" in breast cancer patient care, which in developed countries are considered essential elements of a multidisciplinary approach to breast cancer treatment from time of diagnosis.

At the Summit, 129 experts from around the world representing 41 countries gathered—including leading clinical and social science experts, researchers, policymakers, rehabilitations specialists, educators and representatives of international agencies, civil societies and the private sector—to focus on issues specific to survivorship and follow-up care, treatment-related supportive care and end of life/palliative care, including pain management, for women in low- and middle-income countries, applying a ‘mixed-method’ of quantitative and qualitative research approach to analyze what helps people in diverse socioeconomic settings to live better with cancer and its treatments.

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Very soon we will have the conclusions of this summit and will publish in SIS Journal

The Argentina Society of Mastology has produced a fantastic summit about locally advanced and metastatic breast cancer during its annual meeting in Cordoba. We publish it and we invite all the members and societies to send articles, summits, protocols of treatments, etc.