

Greetings

Since the beginning of its appearance in the West acupuncture has gone through a mixture of successful moments and hardship. Slowly but surely it has gained the right of existence as a medical technique in most countries of the world. This historical meeting shows the undeniable truth that when a group of medical professionals set their minds and efforts on defending, promoting, spreading and explaining something in which they believe to be just and useful to the community, they will step by step achieve their goal. Acupuncture is a good example of knowledge to be approached with caution, appraised with objectivity, used with discernment. Leaning on its cultural origin, using the input of tradition, analyzing in the light of modern knowledge and evaluating with the instruments of EBM the medical acupuncturists of the world will bear the fruit of their work: the recognition of acupuncture.

Enjoy the congress in all its facets.

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