



# AECVP

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## Dear Colleagues,

Firstly many thanks to everyone who attended the 3<sup>rd</sup> Biennial Meeting in London last week. There were 50 delegates on the Wednesday and Friday and 80 on the Thursday. We enjoyed perfect autumn weather and the location and facilities proved excellent. The programme booklet is available on the web site. The Cardiomyopathy Association sponsored the Thursday Training day and we also received generous support from SADS UK, The British Heart Foundation and The Pathological Society of Great Britain and Ireland. Through Margaret Burke and Mary Sheppard the Charitable Funds of the Royal Brompton and Harefield Hospitals sponsored the reception in the Royal College of Surgeons and the Board Meeting in the Royal Society of Medicine. Travel grants of €500 were allocated to five pathologists in training. Prizes of €250 were awarded to Drs Kolesnik (Warsaw) and Rizzo (Padua) for their platform and poster presentations. The standard of the poster presentations was very high and the poster round was an excellent session.

Once again the European Society of Pathology have allowed us ample time in their next meeting which will be held in Florence in September 2009. On the morning of Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> September there will be a symposium entitled Sudden Death with Apparently Normal Hearts chaired by Mary Sheppard (London) and Pietro Gallo (Rome). On that afternoon we have a Business meeting which will include up to six clinicopathological presentations. Please contact Ulrik Baandrup if you have a suitable case to present. A surgical pathology slide seminar will be held from 14.30 to 17.00 hrs on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> September organised by Tony Lehr, Kim Suvarna and Allard van der Wal. Again if you have a challenging surgical pathology case please contact one of the organisers. Travel grants of €500 will be available to junior colleagues who submit abstracts on any aspect of cardiovascular disease. Applications should be made to our new Secretary Treasurer Annalisa Angelini. Our next biennial meeting will be in Lisbon from Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> to Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2010. The principle organiser is Rosa Henriques de Gouveia. Possible areas for presentations and symposia include valvular heart disease, toxins and the heart, neurovascular disease and amyloidosis.

It is planned to hold a Board meeting of the Association in Amsterdam on the week end of January 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> 2009. This is our annual opportunity to discuss future goals for Cardiovascular Pathology in Europe. Amongst the items we will discuss are publication of guidelines for training of cardiovascular pathologists, a working group on endomyocardial biopsy and the possibility that our association will take the lead in producing a comprehensive text book of cardiovascular pathology. We would welcome any further suggestions that you have.

It has been a pleasure to serve as your President for the last two years. Our notable achievement has been the publication of guidelines for the investigation of sudden death. A disappointment has been the lack of significant growth in our membership. Please do everything you can to persuade colleagues to join. Best wishes to you Ulrik for the next two years.

*Patrick J Gallagher.*

*Southampton, October 2008*