

2014. Spain. Successes of the International Day of Homeopathy.

The International Day celebrated on the 10th of April in Spain was a very important institutional success and also a success in participation. It was specially addressed to doctors (to get more collaboration and commitment) in order to progress and obtain more official regulation. Throughout this day and during the previous week and the following days it was carried out activities in twenty two districts, and about thirty acts, by twenty medical, pharmaceutical and veterinary associations. Moreover, twelve departments collaborated in the Medical Colleges and the program was spread to ten Autonomous Communities.



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7th April. At the Official Medical College of Seville. It participated the President: Dr. Juan Bautista Alcañiz. From the left to the right. Dr. Antonio Marqués, (LMHI Spain), Dr. José Antonio Durán Quintana, Professor of the University of Seville, Dr. Ricardo Bárcena (AMHA), Mrs. Carmen Ríos, City Councillor on the behalf of the Mayor of Seville, Dr. Bautista Alcañiz, Dr. Miguel Aragón (Vice-President III) Dr. Renzo Galassi, President of the International Homeopathic Medical Society (LMHI), Dr. Valentín Romero (ANH), Dr. Antonio Ayala Gómez, Professor of the University of Seville, Mrs. Milagros Olias, Chair of the College of Pharmacists of Seville on the behalf of the President.

The activities carried out with the international representatives were in Seville, Barcelona, Madrid and Tenerife. Dr. Renzo Galassi, President of the International Homeopathic Medical Society (LMHI), participated in all of them and Dr. Thomas Peinbauer, President of the European Committee of Homeopathy (ECH), participated together with him in Madrid, they were supported by the representatives of the Spanish Associations. The main topic of the speeches was "Homeopathy in Europe and in the World". The League delivered a diplo-

ma to the old Spanish collaborators. Furthermore, social activities, several lunches and dinners were organized with professionals and patients. If you would like to see in detail the full program of acts and the photographs taken during the different acts, you can get access to it by clicking the following link: <http://homeopatiaespaiinternacional.esy.es/programa>. The successes were due to it was achieved unity in the actions carried out and several objectives were fulfilled. There were remarkable interventions in the media and new rela-

tions with political and institutional representatives were consolidated through several interviews. Moreover, it was recovered the contact with members of the Direction Committee of the Spanish Medical Colleges Association (OMC), Spanish Senators, parliamentary groups of the Canary Islands and the President of the Canary Government, Mr. Paulino Rivero; and it was suggested different levels of collaboration in the future too. Furthermore, contacts with the Presidents of the Medical Colleges of Seville and Tenerife and the Pharmaceutical College of Tenerife were established.

At the public conferences, Dr. Gallasi talked about the History of Homeopathy, by making allusion to the most important masters, the born of the League and the current situation of Homeopathy. He suggested that Homeopathy is a clinical and experimental method which counts with its own tradition and that has been acknowledged by a great number of governments and by the World Health Organization (WHO) since 1978, this last one considers Homeopathy as a Traditional Medicine. He also pointed



10th April. Dr. Renzo Galassi at the Parliament of the Canary Islands.



8th April. Dr. Renzo Galassi visited the Medical Academy of Homeopathy of Barcelona. Above, in the picture, he appears accompanied by Dr. M^a Teresa Bravo, President of the MHB Academy. On the right side of the photograph, it appears Mrs. Amparo Monpo Yllan, veterinary surgeon and Chair of Veterinary Science of the AMHB and Dr. Antonio Marqués.

out that we count with solid clinical working groups, and it is possible to get free access to them through the website of the League <http://www.lmhi.org/>. Thus, it is uncertain the attacks that deny the existence of favorable scientific studies. Furthermore, there are testimonies of millions of patients and thousand publications and doctors, during these lasts decades and since the XIX century. Finally, he concluded by saying that, nowadays, Homeopathy is in a great moment and is suffering a great expansion.

Dr. Peinbeauer presented the attainments obtained in Europe during the last years, with good news for the Scientific Evidence due to the publications of several studies that clarified the methodological mistakes that appeared in an article of The Lancet magazine in 2005, in which Homeopathy was attacked. Dr. Peinbeauer pointed out the European advance



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obtained in the regulation of homeopathic medicines (2001-2004) and the number of doctors with a professional qualification in Homeopathy,

nowadays there are 45.000 European doctors trained in Homeopathy. Then, he presented a program of objectives to be achieved till 2020 and the relation of this program to what have been suggested by the WHO for this period. Finally, it was remembered that the benefits of Homeopathy are included in the Social Security System in United Kingdom, France, Germany, Switzerland, among other European countries and in important and prestigious European Universities.

In relation to the acts developed in the Spanish cities, in Seville (7th of April), it took place a conference by Dr. Galassi at the Medical College. There were a high rate of attendance, Dr. Juan Bautista Alcañiz (President of the College) presided over the conference and he was supported by Dr. Miguel Aragón (Vice-President III). Moreover, it was also at the head table: Mrs.

Carmen Ríos (City Councilor of the City Hall of Seville, on the behalf of the Mayor), Mrs. Milagros Olías (Chair of the Pharmaceutical College, on the



8th April. Barcelona. Floral Tribute at the Monument of Hahnemann in the City of Barcelona. With the participation of the League and the Medical Academy of Homeopathy of Barcelona.



8th April. At the Official Medical College of Barcelona. From the left to the right: Dr. M^a Teresa Bravo, Dr. Antonio Marqués, Dr. Guillermo González, President of the Homeopathic Department of the COMB of Barcelona and Dr. Renzo Galassi (President of the LMHI).



9th April. At the General Council of the Official Medical Colleges of Spain, it took place before the interview with the Direction Committee of the OMC. From the left to the right: Dr. Montserrat Gaya, Coordinator of Complementary Therapies of the COMB, Dr. M^a Dolores Tremiño, President of the SEMH and Vice-President of the ANH, Dr. Antonio Marqués, Dr. Renzo Galassi, Dr. José Luis Espejo, Medical College of Cordoba and Representative of the FEMH, Dr. M^a Teresa Bravo, Dr. Thomas Peinbauer, President of the European Committee of Homeopathy (ECH).

behalf of the President), Dr. Valentín Romero (ANH President), Dr. Ricardo Bárcena (AMHA President) and two professors of the University of Seville: Dr. Antonio Ayala (Biochemistry and Molecular Biology in Pharmacology), Dr. José Antonio Durán (Medical Pharmacology). Furthermore, there were others who attended the conference as guests: the Consul of Italy and the authorized representatives of the Consulate in Seville, Dr. Isasio Sigueiro, former President of the Medical College of Seville and WHO, the professor Dr. Antonio Rabasco (Galenic Pharmacy) and Dr. Barroso Guerra, who was honored due to he was the first President that introduced Homeopathy in this College since more than thirty years ago. The act was presented by Dr. Francisco Moya, represen-

tative of the homeopathic doctors of the Medical College of Seville.

In Barcelona (8th of April), it was brought a Floral Tribute to the Monument of Samuel Hahnemann granted by the City Hall of Barcelona in 1990, this act coincided with the 50th Congress of the International Homeopathic Medical Society (LMHI). In the afternoon, Dr. Galassi visited the MH Academy of Barcelona accompanied by Dr. Maite Bravo, the President, and Mrs. Amparo Monpo, Chair of Veterinary Science of the AMHB. Later, it took place a conference at the Medical College of Barcelona (COMB) where Dr. Galassi, in front of a big public, referred, among other topics, to the importance of the Academy of Barcelona and its work along the time, as in Spain as internationally. The President of the Homeopathic



9th April. At the Institute of Homeopathy and Homeopathic Hospital of S. Jose (Madrid). Dr. Jose Luis Espejo participated in the act called Meeting with the Memory (Encuentro con la Memoria) on the behalf of the Spanish Homeopathic Doctors, and as a tribute to the founders and homeopathic doctors that have died.



9th April. At the Institute of Homeopathy and Homeopathic Hospital of S. Jose. Meeting with the Senators: Domingo Fuentes (the third person on the left) and María del Haro (the seventh person on the left). They were accompanied, from the left to the right, Dr. Thomas Peinbauer, Dr. Natalia Benítez (President of the Hahnemanniana Matritense Society), Mr. Domingo Fuentes, Dr. M^a Dolores Tremiño, Dr. Renzo Galassi, Dr. Antonio Marqués, Mrs. María del Haro, Mr. Félix Antón (Secretary of the Foundation of the Homeopathic Institute and Homeopathic Hospital of S. Jose), Dr. M^a Teresa Bravo, Mr. César Valera (President of AEFHOM), Dr. José Luis Espejo.

Department of the Medical College, Dr. Guillermo González, welcomed all the participants and remembered that in 2014 it has been commemorated the first 25 years of the creation of the Homeopathic Department of the COMB. While the President of the Medical Academy of Homeopathy of Barcelona, Mrs. María Teresa Bravo, invited all to celebrate the 125 years of the creation of this Academy next year. Finally, it was delivered several diplomas as a tribute to the memory of homeopathic doctors who have died and whose careers were very important for the survival of the Homeopathy in this city, Dr. Peiró Rando, Bierto Marill and Sanllehy Metges.



9th April. Dr. Renzo Galassi. At the Foundation of the Homeopathic Institute and Homeopathic Hospital of S. Jose. (Madrid).

In Madrid (9th of April), Dr. Galassi and Dr. Peinbauer, supported by a committee of homeopathic doctors, were to an interview at the headquarters of the General Council of the Official Medical Colleges, with two members of the Direction Committee of the Spanish Medical Colleges Association (OMC): Dr. Ricard Gutiérrez (Vice-President) and Dr. José M^a Rodríguez (Treasurer). It is important to highlight the fact that the two OMC members showed a good predisposition to favor a collaboration that make it easier the regulation, from the Spanish Government, of the official training of homeopathic doctors. In the afternoon, it was developed in the Institute and Homeopathic Hospital of



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S. José an act with the participation of international guests and several activities for patients, homeopathic and political representatives, which was called Meeting with the Memory (Encuentro con la Memoria) and in which Mr. Félix Antón (Institute and Homeopathic Hospital of San José) and Dr. José Luis Espejo (FEMH) participated.

Dr. José Luis Espejo was on behalf of the Spanish Associations. He, together with Mr. Félix Antón, dealt with the History of this place and the Spanish Homeopathy and it was made a tribute to the homeopathic doctors that have died. We count in these activities with the attendance of two Spanish senators: Mrs. María del Haro (Pop-

ular Party) and Mr. Domingo fuentes (Socialist Party). Later, it took place a conference heading by Dr. Galassi and Dr. Peinbauer; Dr. Natalia Benítez (Hahnemanniana Matritense Society) and Mr. César Valera (Spanish Association of Homeopathic Pharmacists), and Dr. Antonio Marqués participated too at the head table. Moreover, Dr. M^a Dolores Tremiño (President of the Spanish Society of Homeopathic Doctors and Vice-President of the National Assembly of Homeopathy) participated by greeting to all the participants.

In Tenerife (10th of April), the Interna-

tional Day started with a press conference at the Medical College, we were supported by Mr. Guillermo Schwartz, President of the College of Pharmacists. Later, it took place a meeting in which homeopaths were with the Canary Parliamentary Groups. This meeting was attended by Mr. José Luis Perestelo, Representative of Coalición Canaria and Mrs. M^a Teresa Pulido, Representative of Popular Party. They agreed on promoting the training of homeopathic doctors and applying the inclusion of Homeopathy in the Spanish Social Security System. Then, a committee of Canary homeopathic doctors were with Dr. Galassi in an official reception and interview invited by the President of the Canary Government, Mr. Paulino Rivero, who supported the training program of Homeopathy for the Autonomous Community of the Canary Islands. He was also accompanied by Dr. Juana María Reyes, Director of the Canary Health System. In the afternoon, at the Events Room of the Canary Parlia-



10th April. Presentation about the International Day of Homeopathy at the Medical College of S/C of Tenerife. From the left to the right: Mr. Guillermo Schwartz (President of the College of Pharmacists of S/C of Tenerife), Dr. Antonio Marqués and Dr. Renzo Galassi.

ment, Dr. Galassi gave a conference with a big audience, around two hundred people. Mr. Julio Cruz, Vice-President of the Canary Parliament and on the behalf of Mr. Antonio Castro Cordobez, the President of the Parliament, acted as the President of the Act. Dr. Guillermo Schwartz, President of the College of Pharmacists of Tenerife, Dr. Rodolfo de la Torre, on the behalf of the Medical College, Dr. Antonio Marqués, Vice-President (Spain) of the International Homeopathic Medical Society (LMHI) and D. Angélica Pérez, President of the Canary Association of Users and Friends of Homeopathy were at the head table too. They were supported by, among others, Dr. Pilar Casaseca, President of the Medical Association of Homeopathy of Santa Cruz of Tenerife, D. Isabel Castro, Representative of the Group of Homeopathic Pharmacists of the Canary Islands and Dr. Francisco Bautista, Secretary of the Medical Academy of Canary Homeopathy and Spanish Federation of Homeopathic Doctors.

There were other cities where it was developed activities on the 10th of April: Pamplona, Valencia, Alicante, Córdoba, Vigo, A Coruña, Oviedo, Zaragoza, Castellón, Bilbao, Cádiz, Granada, Extremadura, Las Palmas and Mallorca. For more information, visit the website, please.

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10th April. At the Parliament of the Canary Islands. An interview made by the Homeopathic Associations with the Canary Members of Parliament: Mrs. M^a Teresa Pulido (Popular Party), D. José Luis Perestelo (Coalición Canaria). From the left to the right: Mrs. Isabel Castro (Coordinator of the Group of Canary Homeopathy Pharmacists), Mrs. Angélica Pérez (President of the Canary Association of Users and Friends of Homeopathy), Dr. Renzo Galassi, Mrs. M^a Teresa Pulido, Mr. José Luis Perestelo, Dr. Antonio Marqués and Dr. Rodolfo de la Torre (President of the Department of the Complementary Medicines of the COMTF).



10th April. Reception at the President's Office of the Canary Government. From the left to the right: Dr. Rodolfo de la Torre, Mrs. Angélica Pérez, Dr. Domingo Molina, Mrs. Juana M^a Reyes, (Director of the Canary Health System), Dr. Manel Cabero, Dr. Renzo Galassi, Dr. Pilar Casaseca, His Excellency Mr. Paulino Rivero (President of the Canary Government), Mrs. Elvira Heredia, Dr. Antonio Marqués and Mrs. Isabel Castro.



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9th April. At the Parliament of the Canary Islands. Closing (Musical) carried out by Dr. Manel Cabero, Member of the Medical Association of Homeopathy of Santa Cruz of Tenerife and Music Teacher of the School of Music of SIC of Tenerife.



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10th April. First line of participants. From the left to the right. Mrs. Isabel Castro, Dr. Francisco Bautista (Secretary of the Spanish Federation of the Homeopathic Doctors and the Canary Academy of Homeopathic Medicine), Dr. Pilar Casaseca, Dr. Domingo Molina, Dr. Elvira Heredia (Vice-President of the Medical Association of Homeopathy of Santa Cruz of Tenerife).