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Abstracts To Report New Discoveries in Allergy/Immunology at WAC 2015

The World Allergy Congress (WAC 2015) in Seoul will explore the future of allergy patient care

Milwaukee, WI. September 28, 2015 – World Allergy Organization (WAO) announced that over 760 abstracts, spanning 13 categories from the field of allergy and immunology, will be presented at the XXIV World Allergy Congress (WAC 2015).

“Research shows that allergic diseases are becoming more complex and are increasing in prevalence and severity around the world,” said Lanny Rosenwasser, MD, President of the World Allergy Organization. “Yet as the abstracts this year reflect, we continue to make progress in identifying the underlying causes of allergic disease and to reach breakthroughs that can lead to more precise diagnostic and therapeutic approaches in the care of patients with asthma and allergies.”

Among the abstracts this year are studies on preventing the onset of allergic disease with prebiotics (Abstract [8966](#)); improvements in diagnosing peanut allergy in Korean children (Abstract [8031](#)); serum cytokines as biomarkers for eosinophilic gastroenteritis in children (Abstract [8712](#)); findings from a cohort study on the effects of ambient desert dust on pollen-sensitized pregnant women (Abstract [7865](#)); advancements toward a vaccine for shellfish allergy (Abstract [7937](#)); new Korean guidelines for treatment of atopic dermatitis (Abstract [8175](#)); evidence for an increased risk of atopic dermatitis in children from secondhand smoke exposure during pregnancy (Abstract [8066](#)); and a new understanding of anaphylactic reactions to topical use of chlorhexidine (Abstract [8194](#)).

Posters will be presented throughout the congress when no other sessions are taking place in order to emphasize the importance of this new research. Oral abstract presentations will take place 14, 15, and 16 October. Posters are organized in thematic sessions: asthma; skin allergy; pediatrics; food allergy; infection and allergy; allergy diagnosis; drug allergy; rhinitis, rhinosinusitis, ocular allergies, and comorbidities; air pollution and environmental allergies; immunology; immunotherapy; and allergy prevention.

WAO will host WAC 2015 in collaboration with the Korean Academy of Asthma, Allergy and Clinical Immunology (KAAACI) and their mutually collaborating partner the Asia Pacific Association of Pediatric Allergy, Respiratory and Immunology (APAPARI), from 14–17 October 2015, in Seoul, Korea. They expect to gather 2000 delegates from around the world. More than 200 international experts will deliver a wide range of courses and subjects: 4 plenary sessions, 4 keynote lectures, 14 new horizon sessions, 10 pediatric tracks, 17 workshops, 24 symposia, 4 poster sessions and 9 oral abstracts.

All accepted abstracts are available in the scientific program at:
<https://wao.confex.com/wao/2015wac/webprogram/start.html>

Information for the press is available at: <http://www.worldallergy.org/wac2015/press/>

About the World Allergy Organization

The World Allergy Organization (WAO) is an international alliance of 95 regional and national allergy, asthma and immunology societies. Through collaboration with its Member Societies WAO provides a wide range of educational and outreach programs, symposia and lectureships to allergists/immunologists around the world and conducts initiatives related to clinical practice, service provision, and physical training in order to better understand and address the challenges facing allergists/immunologists worldwide. (www.worldallergy.org)

About the Korean Academy of Asthma, Allergy and Clinical Immunology

The **Korean Academy of Asthma, Allergy and Clinical Immunology (KAAACI)** has been devoted to improve the treatment of allergic diseases and promote the understanding of allergy, asthma and clinical immunology. For nearly 40 years, the KAAACI has also been active advocate of clinical and basic research. (www.allergy.or.kr/eng)

About the Asia Pacific Association of Pediatric Allergy, Respiriology and Immunology

The Asia Pacific Association of Pediatric Allergy, Respiriology & Immunology (APAPARI) is the professional medical specialty organization representing pediatrician, allied health professionals and other physicians in Asia-Pacific region who have special interest in Allergy, Clinical Immunology, and Respiriology. (www.apapari.org)

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