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Advancing Global Critical Care Practice: Turkish Congress, 2014 and a recognition

The 10th Congress of the World Federation of Critical Care Nurses (WFCCN) was held in Antalya Turkey November 13-15, 2014 in conjunction with the 6th National Critical Care Nursing Congress of the Turkish Society of Critical Care Nurses, the 11th Congress of the Turkish Society of Medical and Surgical Intensive Care Medicine, and the 3rd Euro-Asian Critical Care Meeting.

The three-day Congress provided an opportunity for networking, sharing, discussion, and debate on critical care best practices. A number of oral sessions, poster presentations and a joint opening plenary session were included, representing the first joint Congress of the Turkish Society of Critical Care Nurses and the Turkish Society of Medical and Surgical Intensive Care Medicine. This issue of CONNECT highlights the nursing poster abstracts which included an impressive range of topics related to critical care nursing.

We thank all poster presenters as well as the national nursing representatives who presented an oral presentation, moderated or chaired a session, participated in the poster presentations and others who volunteered during the Congress to make this year's event a success. A special recognition is extended to Chairman Gülçin Bozkurt, the board, and members of the Turkish Society of Critical Care Nurses for their work in planning and hosting a most successful congress!

With Gratitude

In this issue of CONNECT, we also take pause to thank Professor Paul Fulbrook for his years of service as Editor of CONNECT, the official journal of WFCCN. As an online open access nursing journal, it reaches an estimated 500,000 critical care nurses worldwide. The main purpose of CONNECT is to provide a forum for critical care nurses to share good practice, providing them a voice world-wide. Since the mid-2000s Paul has provided the journal as a service to WFCCN and has served as Editor. Under his direction, CONNECT has continued to publish noteworthy research, clinical articles, and reviews to highlight critical care nursing practices worldwide. Most recently, Paul transferred full and exclusive ownership of CONNECT to WFCCN. Paul, thank you for your time and efforts to advance CONNECT. We most appreciate your contributions to WFCCN!

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