

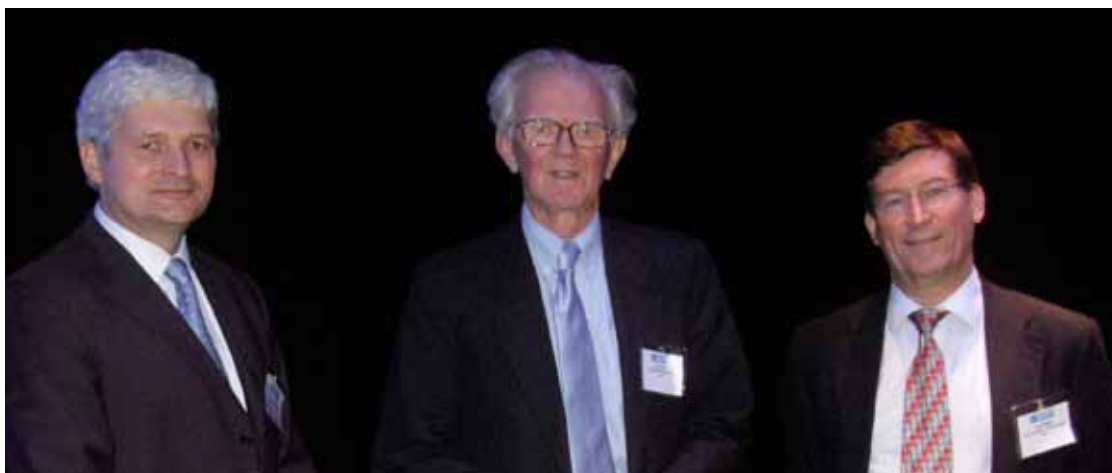


Meeting Reports

9th Congress of the European Association for Clinical Pharmacology and Therapeutics



The 9th Congress of the European Association for Clinical Pharmacology and Therapeutics (EACPT2009) was held in the heart of Scotland's capital city at the Edinburgh International Conference Centre between 12th and 15th July 2009. Almost 1000 scientists from over 50 countries (including many from outside of Europe) participated in the meeting, making it a truly international congress. We were especially delighted with the large number of delegates from smaller countries where clinical pharmacology as a specialty is perhaps not as strong as in the larger European countries. Four outstanding plenary lectures on the future of clinical pharmacology by Sir Colin Dollery, Patrick Vallance, Garret FitzGerald and Alastair Wood were the highlights of a memorable and high quality scientific programme.



EACPT president, Professor Ingolf Cascorbi (on left) and EACPT 2009 president, Professor David Webb (on right) with the meeting's first plenary speaker, Professor Sir Colin Dollery (in center).

Virtually all areas of clinical pharmacology and therapeutics were covered during the meeting. Included were symposia on clinical pharmacology in Eastern Europe and the Nordic countries, and the British Pharmacological Society (BPS) sponsored symposium on working with patients. In addition, the Federation of European Pharmacological Societies (EPHAR) sponsored lecture by Professor Juan Tamargo was extremely well received and served to make the programme even more exciting and international.