



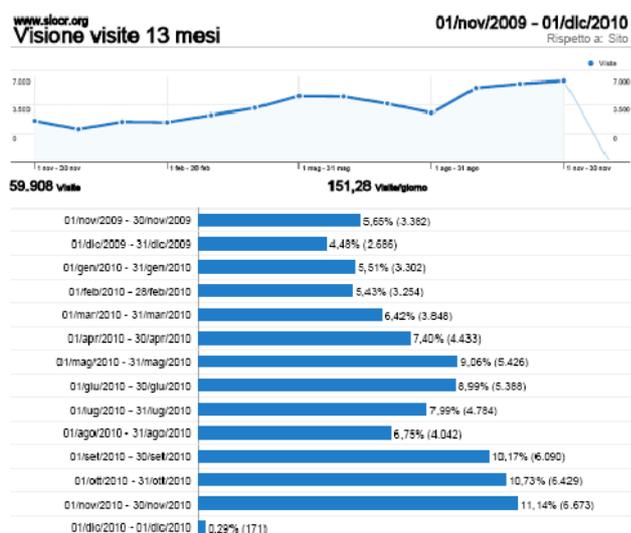
Società Italiana di Chirurgia Colo-Rettale

Christmas 2010

Dear member

It's just over a year since the installation of the Directive Council and my nomination as president, and I would like to give you a short summary of what we have been able to carry out from the initial master plan.

We are perfectly in step with the Mission and Vision of our society. In fact the sectors relative to communication have been implemented with a web site with up to date contents and graphics



that are more eye-catching. New sections have been created such as a dictionary and a video section which will be improved even more both in terms of quality and quantity. Monthly contacts have doubled in a year, we have published more than 106 newsletters in the year 2010. The objective of the newsletter is to maintain all members constantly informed.

We have managed to organise 6 events besides supporting the second level Master in coloproctology (Rome), the Course of methodology of research, two Courses (Rome) and two Courses in sutures (san Vito al Tagliamento/Roma), three Courses for MMG (Molfetta/Vicenza/Udine), the Training Course in Coloproctology (Vercelli), the setting up of a School of Proctology (Firenze) and of a School

of Ultrasonographic imaging in Treviso. Eight events have been sponsored. The outcome of the work of almost all the committees and sections has been excellent; we have invested unsatisfactorily in some of them. The collaboration with other scientific societies has resulted in the combined congress with the AIUG in Alghero and with the SIPAD in Naples. Moreover, with the AIUG other combined courses have been planned which will start in Terni next March with successive editions in Milan and Catania. The Educational Meeting, which was shortly held in Rome has registered an improvement in the scientific level of the abstracts and also in the quality of the presentation; the six best abstracts will be awarded. The authors of the abstracts will be hosted in a centre where they will be invited to carry out V-L activities on pigs.

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Research activity, too, has been supported and it has allowed some publications in international journals. Multicentric studies are under way and others are being planned.

Lastly, the secretariat of the presidency has reached the stability we needed, by signing an indefinite contract with Marina Fiorino. The renewal of the contract for maintenance has been concluded, also for the running and implementation of the web site with the company Omniaevo (belonging to the Qnet group).

By trying to reduce the expenses, our official journal Techniques in Coloproctology, will be distributed to all members in its normal format on line. This initiative coincides with the gradual reduction in the consumption of printed paper; good news regarding this is that in 2011 TIC will have an Impact Factor. Besides the advantageous contract confirmed with Diseases of the Colon & Rectum, we have obtained a great discount on Colorectal Disease the ESCP official journal, in addition to the ACPGBI and AECP, ones, obviously only for the members who have regularly subscribed. Sixty are the Coloproctology Units, and we look forward to seeing all the coordinators and the regional representatives at the next meeting in May.

The news bulletin that I have presented acquires a greater significance if one bears in mind the fact that all events make part of a project that is constantly developing, in a project of investment in new generations, in important collaborations and as much as possible with projects that are stable and coherent with the discipline of coloproctology that has had a greater development in Italy than in other countries.

We have the third greatest number of members of the ESCP and this together with the acknowledgement of the importance of our work, places us in a position of great esteem abroad, a thing that has not happened before.

The most popular event, the biennial SICCR Congress in October in Genova, represents the possibility to offer our best in terms of science and participation, and will be the occasion to discuss the adequacy of the lines of management followed so far and the amendments, necessary in times of rapid changes.

Let me take the opportunity to invite you to renew subscription (see window Payment) in order to remain in a qualified circuit which offers many advantages.

Last but not least allow me to take pride in all the DC councillors and other people who have worked and work for The SICCR.

I wish you all happy Festivities, hopefully of rest, and a New Year full of satisfactions.

The president

Aldo Infantino

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