



20th International Society for Pediatric and Adolescent Diabetes Science School for Healthcare Professionals Report

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Location: Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, USA

The ISPAD Science School for Physicians 2024 was held at the University Club (University of Pittsburgh), in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, USA from September 22nd to September 27th, 2024.

It offered an incredible opportunity to enhance knowledge, share experiences and develop friendships. Attended by 19 delegates representing 14 countries (Brazil, Canada, Guatemala, Mexico, USA, Italy, Poland, Spain, Sweden, Turkey, United Kingdom, Egypt, India, Nepal) and 20 faculty members, including the JENIOUS leadership, it covered principles of research methodology and state of the art lectures on all aspects of diabetes research, including aetiology, pathogenesis, prediction, prevention, management and natural history of diabetes in children, adolescents and young adults.

Participants had the opportunity to meet in small groups with faculty mentors and get feedback prior to presenting their research projects and their interesting cases. Discussions were lively and informative. Not one but two projects were awarded ISPAD-Breakthrough T1D fellowships to help them continue the research presented at the ISPAD Science School!

The scientific program was coupled together with a social program that included a visit to the Nationality Rooms at the Cathedral of Learning in the University of Pittsburgh, the tallest educational building in the Western Hemisphere as well as a farewell dinner where we celebrated the accomplishments and hard work of all participants and the new friendships.

We are very grateful to the ISPAD leadership, Breakthrough T1D, faculty members and of course, all the participants! The Science School truly reflected the premise of "Enhancing diabetes research through worldwide collaboration"!

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