

## 2013 Report of The Neuroepidemiology Group of the WFN

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Neuroepidemiology section of WFN had gained further growth as evidenced by its many members and the high quality of national and international neuroepidemiologic research. The activity of the WFN group has been mainly focused on training courses and teaching activities in different sites.

The overall goal is to train new neuroepidemiologists and support their activities outlining areas of special interest where the application of epidemiologic approaches to neurologic disorders may be productive.

We have conducted a training course in Moldavia. This was attended by about 30 neurologists and psychiatrists working or being in training as residents in Moldavia. The course was appreciated by trainees and by the senior Moldavian neurologists.

After the course three research programs have been launched integrating work of Moldavian researchers and the international faculty of the course:

- 1) ALS epidemiological registry in Moldavia
- 2) Alcohol and brain disorders
- 3) stroke epidemiology

We are planning two similar courses in Bielorrussia and Ukraine.

We had our annual meeting in San Diego at the UCSD. There were about 20 presentations and Dr Peter Spencer (Oregon University) gave a lecture on a new form of epilepsy incepted by his group in Africa.

We applied for a training grant in May 2013 to be conducted in three low income countries in different areas of the world (Proponents (Giancarlo Logroscino and Pierre Marie Preux).

We do not have a financial statement because we do not have money from grants or other sources.

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