In the spotlight



EAACI/UEMS Knowledge Exam in Helsinki

his year's EAACI Knowledge Exam, held in Helsinki during the Annual Congress, was once again very well attended. The 56 attendees joined us this year from 23 countries in Europe and around the world (including from Chile, Namibia, Saudi Arabia and Sri Lanka), and the Academy is proud to announce that we were able to issue knowledge certificates to 49 successful candidates.

The Knowledge Exam is a written MCQ-based test covering all important areas of clinical allergy and immunology and related aspects of basic immunology, including Task Force documents and Guidelines. With the keen support of all EAACI Sections, Task Forces and Interest Groups, the Academy's question-pool has been filled with over 600



questions. EAACI is planning further improvements to the Knowledge Exam, such as specialised learning materials with sample questions. In addition, a pediatric track is planned, underlining EAACI's dedication to the treatment of allergy as early in life as possible to prevent more difficult problems later

The test is now a pre-requisite for the Swiss Allergy specialty, and EAACI strongly recommends that all its members participate in the Knowledge Exam, anticipating improved patient care as a result. Successful graduates are enjoying high recognition throughout Europe and worldwide.

Due to my obligations as VP Congresses, the position of Exam Chair has now been taken by Musa Khaithov. I thank all colleagues for their engagement and will continue to support the exam and in particular the initiative for generating learning materials in the future

Looking forward to seeing you in

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