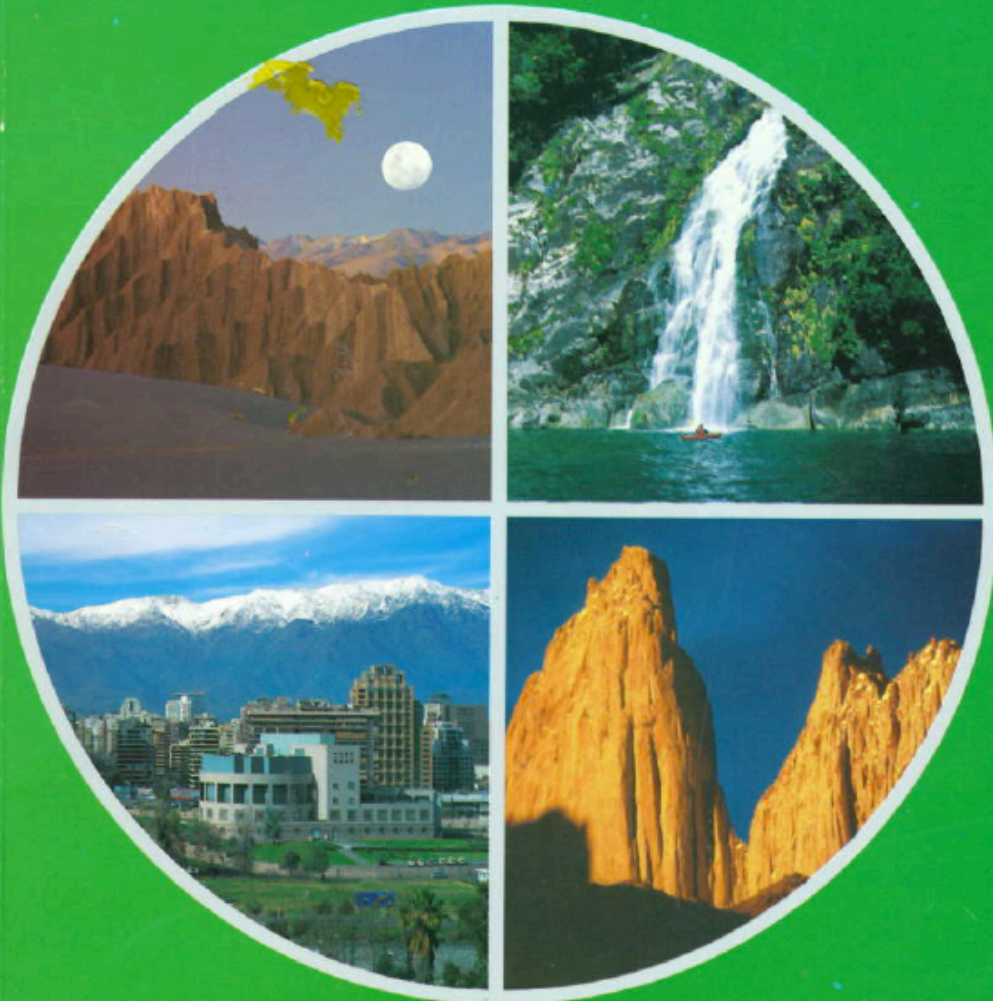




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Scientific Program
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Dear Colleagues and Friends,

On behalf of the Directors and Scientific and Local Committees, I am pleased to welcome you to Santiago and to the LATS's 12th Congress. We trust you will find the Congress an important professional experience that truly furthers LATS' goals of advancing understanding of the thyroid gland while increasing professional cooperation across national borders.

Thanks to the efforts of the Scientific Committee, under the leadership of its President Doctor Guillermo Juvenal, this 12th Congress will offer you a stimulating program. In conferences, symposia, and special topics sessions, invited international speakers and Society members will address themes of general interest as well as new and emerging issues.

We will also offer two pre-Congress courses: the first—Molecular Basis of Thyroid Physiology—is addressed to residents in Endocrinology and Internal Medicine and professionals in the Basic Sciences. The second is addressed to medical specialists who wish to deepen their understanding of Thyroid Ultrasonography.

Continuing two recent traditions, this year we will again name the winner, selected by the Scientific Committee, of the Young Investigator Prize, sponsored by Merck KGaA. We will also again recognize an outstanding Society member for contributions on both local and international levels to our understanding of the thyroid gland.

Organization of a Congress of this magnitude has been possible only with the dedication and commitment of many. I wish to express sincere gratitude to the speakers and to the members of the Scientific Committee for their generous contributions of time and effort so as to ensure a successful and meaningful program. Deep thanks also to the Local Committee and special appreciation goes to our Secretary-Treasurer, Dr. Hans Graf, for his immeasurable contributions. I also thank our sponsors for their support in making the Congress a reality.

Again, welcome to Santiago, and enjoy the Congress.

Sincerely,

Nelson Wohlk

President, Latin American Thyroid Society



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