

**WHY MEN DIE
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Summary Report on 6th World Congress on Men's Health 2009, Vienna

The 6th World Congress on Men's Health (WCMH), which took place from October 9 to 11, 2009 in Vienna, Austria entitled "Why men die earlier and suffer more", has demonstrated an outstanding platform for the exchange of knowledge and information. It has also provided a deep insight into the best current research in the contemporary field of men's health. This year's Congress was an overwhelming success, as you can see from the few statistics below:

- **997** participants registered
- **868** attendees from **69 countries**
- **102** presentations in symposia, plenary sessions and parallel sessions
- **219** accepted research abstracts
- **9** endorsements of professional organizations
- **13** exhibitors from the health industry
- **11** different disciplines: urology, cardiology, endocrinology, diabetology, geriatrics, psychiatry, oncology, family health, public health, sociology and sexual medicine

The multidisciplinary scope of the World Congress on Men's Health 2009 offered a rich program including key opinion leaders in the various fields and therapeutic areas. The overcrowded auditorium at the special workshop on "How to establish a men's health centre" reflects the rising global interest in men's health.

The packed social Saturday gala at the Vienna City hall reflected the high quality of the 6th World Congress on Men's Health. The ISMH (International Society on Men's Health) vision is to be the premier society in the world for the advancement of men's health among professionals, the public and health authorities. We would like to pursue this together with you. We look forward to welcoming you at the 2010 WCMH in Nice!

Yours sincerely,

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