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Courses in China:

- 1) From Oct. 22-25, 2009, Wen Hai (China Army and Military Medical University of Shanghai) directed a one-day Symposium on Cryptococcosis Research followed by a 3-day course on Medical Mycology. This event was held in the beautiful resort city of Changshu, a short drive north of Shanghai. It was attended by 105 health professionals from all over China.



Fig.1 Photo of attendees and lecturers in Changshu.

- 2) Li Ruo Yu held a Medical Mycology course in Beijing (Peking University, Hospital #1) from 17-22 November 2009. Lectures on mycoses were held every morning and the afternoons were devoted to complete wet labs. More than 40 health professionals attended this course.
- 3) In Guangzhou (Canton), SE China, on November 26-30, a course was presented under the auspices of Xi Liyan at the famous Sun Yat-Sen Memorial Hospital. Lectures were presented all day with labs in the evening. More than 70 individuals attended this course. Some came as far as Xinjiang province (next to Kashmir, Afghanistan and Russia) and Inner Mongolia.



Fig. 2 Attendees and lecturers in front of the Sun Yet-Sen Memorial hospital.

For these courses final examinations were given so that CME credits may be awarded.

Lecturers for all of these courses included: Li, Ruo Yu (Beijing); Liu, Weida (Nanjing); Ran, Yuping (Chengdu); Wen, Hai (Shanghai); Xi, Liyan (Guangzhou); Bulmer, Glenn (Beijing/Xinjiang) in addition to local authorities. A special guest for the Guangzhou course was Dongmei Li (R. Calderone's lab in the USA).

Medical Mycology education in China has 6 focal points situated in Beijing, Chengdu, Shanghai, Nanjing, Wuhan and Guangzhou. From these centers 4-5 courses are presented yearly. The first offering for 2010 will be March 25-30, in Chengdu (Sichuan province) under Ran, Yuping (ranyuping@gmail.com).

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