

OPENING CELEBRATION AT MALMÖ OPERA



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We are looking forward to see you in Montreal at the 26th International Papillomavirus Conference with Clinical and Public Health Workshops July 3-8, 2010 www.hpv2010.org



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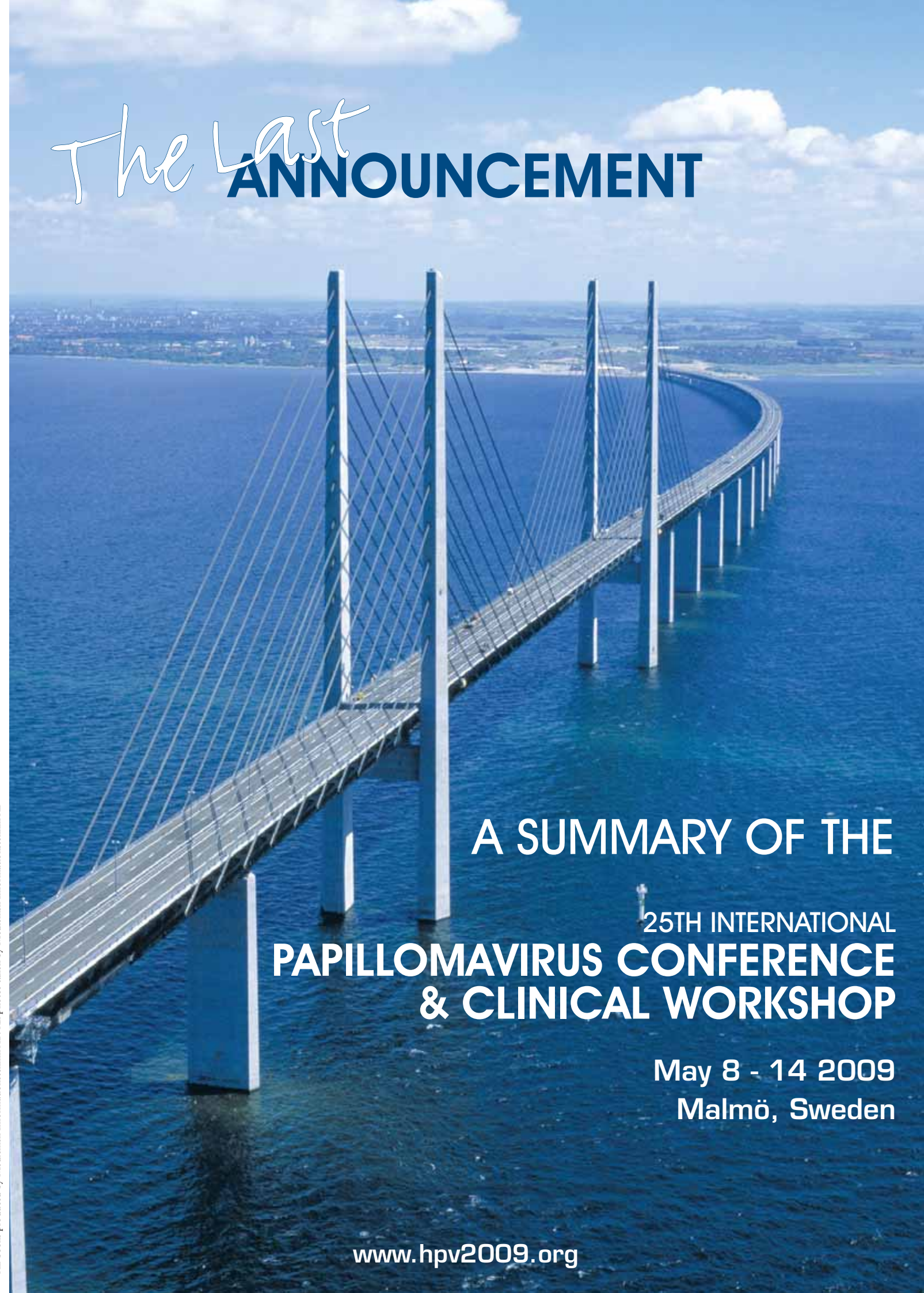
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The Last ANNOUNCEMENT



A SUMMARY OF THE 25TH INTERNATIONAL PAPILOMAVIRUS CONFERENCE & CLINICAL WORKSHOP

May 8 - 14 2009
Malmö, Sweden

www.hpv2009.org



Dear colleagues...

With this "last announcement" we would like to summarize the 25th International Papillomavirus (IPV) Conference in Malmö, Sweden and thank all those who contributed to making the conference such an extraordinarily successful event.

Joakim Dillner
Chairman of the Organizing Committee

Jubilee and Nobel Prize Celebration

A major theme of the 25th IPV was celebration, which was underlined at the Opening Ceremony at the Malmö Opera. It was a 25th jubilee for a successful conference series that has brought the interdisciplinary HPV field together and hosted the original public presentations of many seminal discoveries, including the discovery of the cervical cancer-causing papillomaviruses, their mechanisms of transformation, the preventive HPV vaccines and the HPV-based cervical screening tests. Another major reason for the celebration was the fact that the discovery of the cervical cancer-causing papillomaviruses was also awarded the 2008 Nobel Prize in Medicine.



Larger than ever before – ample opportunity for global networking

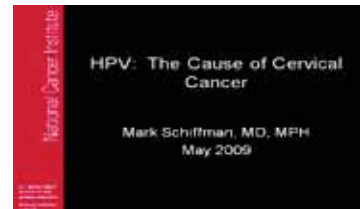
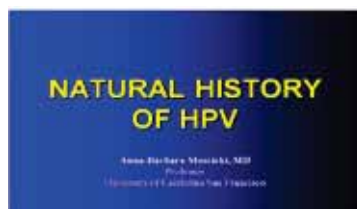
With 2225 participants, out of which >2000 were foreign delegates from 80 different countries, the 25th IPV was one of the largest international conferences ever held in Southern Sweden.

Webcasting of Lectures – A Lasting Educational Resource

For the first time, the reviews were peer-reviewed to ensure accuracy and clarity. Furthermore, the review lectures were broadcast on the web such that everyone in the entire world will for free be able to listen to these lectures and study the slides at their convenience. Just click on hpv2009.org/webcasts.htm and select the review lecture of your choice.

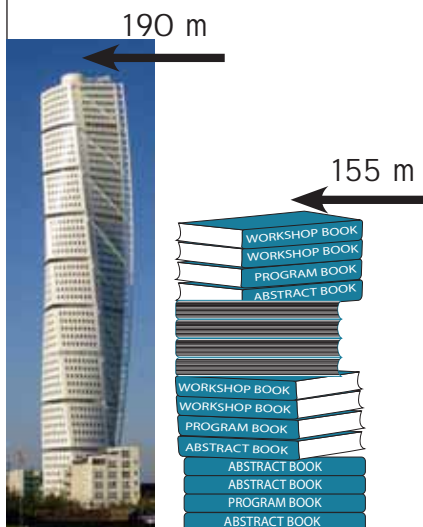


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- 2250 abstract books, 624 pages
- 2250 abstract CD

- 1200 educational workshop CD
- 1200 educational workshop books, 602 pages



Abstracts & Scientific Presentations

With the amazing amount of high quality abstracts submitted, the IPV has consolidated its position as the leading conference encompassing all areas of HPV research, from clinical vaccinology to molecular biology. About 3300 authors submitted 966 abstracts, which were presented as 887 posters and 237 oral presentations. The amount of printed matter would have sufficed to build a skyscraper!



Favourable evaluation

The conference received very high marks in the evaluation by participants. E.g., 94% thought the conference was well organised and 95% thought the content and speakers were good. 97% strongly agree or agree that they have learned something from this event.

One participant stated: "The workshop was the best organised ever from all previous HPV conferences. Outstanding! I will use the materials on the web during my entire year with my students! Thanks for organising such a wonderful resource."



Peer-Reviewed Educational Review Lectures

The conference started with an Educational Pre-conference that provided updated reviews by distinguished experts on the essential facts on HPV that underpin the cancer-preventive efforts targeting HPV.

NETWORKING AT EXHIBITION & BREAKS



STUDENT EVENING



ATTENTIVE AUDIENCES



SCIENTIFIC HIGHLIGHTS & PRESS CONFERENCES

Presentation highlights of obvious public interest were summarised in daily press conferences:

*The increasing importance of tumor virology in explaining the causes of cancer and providing new methods for prevention.

*Genital warts are vanishing in Australia, just a year after introduction of an HPV vaccination program- The first evidence of control of HPV infections at the population level.

*The more common HPV is, the more common cervical cancer is. Cervical cancer is very common in some countries, such as sub-Saharan Africa and Latin America, but very rare in other countries. Surveys of HPV prevalences in many countries all over the world reveal that the spread of HPV appears to explain this difference.

*Cervical screening with sampling for HPV tests at home improves by coverage by 10%.

*New mechanism for making HPV vaccines detected: The small protein L2 of the virus capsid may offer less expensive vaccines with more broad protection against many HPV types.

*Men have particularly high rates of HPV infection: As many as 5% of men get HPV every month

*Do allergies protect against HPV-associated cancer? Does this suggest that an overly vigorous immune system may help to protect against HPV-associated cancers?

*Whom should be vaccinated and how? How can we estimate which HPV strategy will be most effective for eradication of HPV and HPV-associated cancers? How is it possible to predict what the future effects will be and how reliable are those predictions?



POSTER SESSIONS

