During the EADV Congress in Geneva 2000 the Board of Directors decided to purchase a permanent office for our Academy. Brussels was an obvious choice for the EADV house, situated at the heart of Europe and at the very centre of European Governmental Institutions.

An elegant 5-storey house on Avenue General de Gaulle, in Ixelles, a quiet residential part of Brussels, has been chosen. Easily accessible from the airport and city centre, the house offers an impressive view over a small lake and beautiful trees and is large enough for our smaller meetings. We also intend offering facilities to sister Societies, to promote collaboration and good relationships amongst European dermatologists. Indeed, early indications are that the European Union of Medical Specialists (UEMS) and the European Society for Dermatological Research (ESDR) are likely to join us.

Not only is the acquisition of this house a major step forward to the harmonisation of our specialty in Europe, but it is also a good investment for EADV as the value of real estate in Brussels is rising considerably.

This beautiful "Art Nouveau" house was designed in 1901 by the architect Ernest Blerot. An Architectural Landmark. This beautiful "Art Nouveau" house was designed in 1901 by the architect Ernest Blerot, a friend of Victor Horta, the master of Art Nouveau. Ernest Blerot was a much sought-after architect in Brussels and often constructed houses in groups of two or three. He took great care of the outer appearance of the houses, but his houses were less expensive than those of Victor Horta. Blerot built about sixty houses in Brussels and surrounding areas.

The characteristics of Art Nouveau in the EADV house can be seen in the floral design of the ironwork, and the ornate mosaic flooring of the terrace in front of the entrance door and in the reception hall. This floral decoration design, which was recently renovated, is unique.

We plan to have our "Home for European Dermatology" up and running after the Munich Congress. We hope that many of our members will come and visit whenever possible.
Dear Colleagues,

Welcome to the first issue of EADV News, which intends to complement issues of the EADV Bulletin. The EADV Bulletin has been very ably edited by our founding President, Professor Emiliano Panconesi and his wife, Diana and timed to appear at our annual Congress. I am very pleased to say that Emiliano and Diana have agreed to continue editing the Bulletin, thus providing us with interesting reading at the time of our Congresses.

However, it has become increasingly clear that we need to inform our membership and national Societies much more about the growth of the EADV and recent developments, which will, we hope, be a stimulus to the whole of European Dermatovenereology.

The steady successes of recent EADV Congresses have provided the Academy with a sound financial base and platform, from which to take some important decisions. The first of these was the clear need to develop an EADV office and headquarters within central Europe. The purchase of the Art Nouveau House in Brussels will, I am sure, be not only an excellent financial asset, but also a most pleasing aesthetic one! I am extremely grateful to Diane Roseeuw and Jacques Delescluse for the many long hours they spent sifting through potential properties in Brussels, which culminated in our purchase earlier this year.

Although still a young organisation, the EADV is growing and expanding fast. To help us identify new services for our membership, the board embarked on a strategic planning session at its last meeting (see the Secretary General’s update page 6). As a result, I am delighted to announce a new EADV initiative - the development of an annual EADV Spring symposium. These Spring Symposia are intended to be shorter (2 days maximum), clinically orientated and held in smaller cities or countries which may not have the capacity to hold our larger annual congress. Joe Pace has kindly agreed to organise the first one in Malta in February 2003 (please see page 5).

As we develop our concepts for the new Millennium, we can also look back with pride on the old. 1901 was clearly a ‘bumper’ year for Dermatology (and at that time Syphilology). So far, I have attended the special centenary events marking the founding of the Japanese Dermatological Associations and the Royal Belgian Society of Dermatology and Venereology. As President of the EADV, I was warmly welcomed to them both. There is no doubt that the EADV is now recognised to be a successful organisation.

We also welcome our special relationship with the American Academy of Dermatology and our reciprocal arrangement whereby booths are staffed by experienced staff at our respective annual Congresses. I am very grateful to Galderma for hosting such a successful EADV President’s Cocktail during this year’s AAD Congress in Washington D.C., which was attended by more than 200 international dermatologists.

I trust you will enjoy reading more about the EADV’s activities, and look forward to addressing you again in the next edition of EADV News in the winter.

In the meantime, I hope to meet many of you in Munich at our 10th annual Congress.

Sincerely yours,

Professor Martin M. Black  
President 2000-2002
As a member of EADV you are responsible for electing your President, who will guide the development and activities of the Academy during his/her two-year term. The next elections will take place in October at the OGM in Munich. At this time, we will elect a President-Elect who will take up office after the Munich Congress, and who will become President in 2002 at the Congress in Prague.

All members are invited to nominate someone they deem worthy of this honourable position. Completed nominations for this election must be received by the Secretary-General by 15 August 2001. The nomination form (herewith) should be used if you wish to put forward a candidate (additional copies available from the Administrative Assistant).

Remember you must have the consent of the candidate, and a short Curriculum Vitae (300 words) and Statement of Intent (200 words) should accompany the proposal. Internal rules state that a maximum of 4 candidates can compete for election following approval by the EADV Board.

We encourage everybody to attend the OGM and vote in person. If you cannot attend, you can be represented by another member - but you must use the standard EADV proxy form (herewith) fully completed for your vote to be valid. A member may represent a maximum of 2 other ordinary members and must bring the completed Proxy Form(s) to Munich to permit voting.

EADV to Elect New President

All members are invited to participate in the election process.

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**Nomination Form for President-Elect**

All nominees must be proposed and seconded with the prior agreement of the nominee (ordinary members only) and this form should be submitted with a Curriculum Vitae of no more than 300 words and a Statement of Intent of no more than 200 words.

| NOMINEE:  
| Address:  
| Membership number: |

| PROPOSER’S NAME:  
| Address:  
| Membership number: 
| Signed:  
| Date: |

| SECONDER’S NAME:  
| Address:  
| Membership number: 
| Signed:  
| Date: |

Please return the completed nomination form, Curriculum Vitae and Statement of Intent by mail to: Frank C. Powell, EADV Secretary General, Regional Centre of Dermatology, Mater M. Hospital, Eccles Street, Dublin 7, Ireland or by fax: +32 2 477 63 57

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**EADV OGM Proxy Form**

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(print name) (Member number)

(print name) (Member number)

to vote on my behalf at the Ordinary General Meeting
to be held on 12 October, 2001 Munich, Germany

Signed  
(date)  

Note: the member authorised to vote should bring the signed Proxy Form to the OGM in Munich.
Martin Black
President 2000-2002

Martin Black is Professor of Dermatological Immunopathology and Dermatopathology at the St. John’s Institute of Dermatology, St. Thomas’ Hospital in London, where he has worked for the past 27 years. He has special interests in cutaneous immunofluorescence; autoimmune bullous diseases; dermatoses of pregnancy; amyloidosis and panniculitis. Prof. Black has wide experience in post-graduate education and the development of the dermatology training curriculum in the U.K. Professor Black has attended every EADV Congress, was elected to the Board in 1997 and joined the Executive Committee in 1999. He was President of the British Association of Dermatologists during the period of 1997-1998 and initiated and edited their popular newsletter.

Josè M. Mascarò
Past President 2000-2002

Josè M. Mascarò has been Professor and Chairman of Dermatology at the Hospital Clinic and Faculty of Medicine at the University of Barcelona since 1978. His main fields of interest are porphyrias, dermatopathology, melanoma and cutaneous tumors. In addition to serving as President of the EADV from 1998 to 2000, Prof. M. M. Mascaro has been involved in many professional societies throughout his career including the presidency of the Spanish Society of Dermatology for five years.

Frank Powell
Secretary General 2000-2002

Frank Powell is a Consultant Dermatologist at the Regional Centre of Dermatology, Mater Hospital, Dublin and University College Dublin. He completed residency training at the Mayo Clinic, USA and took up his present position in 1985. His interests include oral lesions, dermatoses of pregnancy, rosacea and pyoderma gangrenosum. He has been a board member of EADV since 1994, assuming his current position as Secretary General in 2001.

Derek Freedman
Editor Venereology, JEADV

Derek Freedman is Genito-Urinary Physician at St. James’ Hospital, Dublin, Ireland, where he has worked since 1986, and Lecturer in Sexually Transmitted Diseases at University College Dublin. Dr. Freedman was appointed Founding Editor of the EADV Journal in 1991, at the same time being invited to join the Executive Committee, and has served as its Venereology Editor ever since.

Diane Roseeuw
Treasurer 1995-2001

Diane Roseeuw is Head of the department of Dermatology at the Academic Hospital, Free University of Brussels. She also serves as the resident Professor in Dermatology and Venereology at the University and supervises full-time training in both subjects at the Academic Hospital. Prof. Roseeuw was first elected to the Executive Committee of the EADV Board in 1995, whilst presiding over the 4th EADV Congress held in Brussels in the same year, and has served as the Academy’s Treasurer ever since.

Jacques Delescluse
Treasurer-Elect 2000-2001

In addition to his private practice, the Brussels Dermatology Clinic, Jacques Delescluse is Head of the service of Dermatology at the César de Paepe Clinic in Brussels. He was first elected to the EADV Board in 1995 and has been serving as Treasurer-Elect for since October 2000. Dr. Delescluse is also President of the Royal Belgian Society for Dermatology and Venereology.

Johannes Ring
President 10th Congress 2001

Johannes Ring has been Director of the department of Dermatology and Allergy at Biederstein, Technical University of Munich since 1995. Prof. Ring was first elected to the EADV Executive Committee in 1999 and also to the Board of Directors of the German Dermatological Society (DDG). He is President of the 10th EADV Congress, to be held in Munich from 10-14 October, 2001.
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Jana Hercogova
President 11th Congress 2002

Jana Hercogova is Chairwoman of the department of Dermatology and Venereology at Charles University, 2nd Medical School in Prague, Czech Republic. Dr. Hercogova is Secretary General of the Czech Society of Dermatology and Venereology and was first elected to the EADV Executive Committee in 2000. She is President of the 11th EADV Congress to be held in Prague from 1-6 October, 2002.

Torello Lotti
Editor Dermatology, JEADV

Torello Lotti is currently Chairman of the Centro Interuniversitario di Dermatologia Biologica e Psicosomatica at the University of Florence in Italy. His special areas of interest include vasculitis, neuropeptides and vitiligo. As Chief Editor of the Journal, Prof. Lotti was invited to join the Executive Committee of the EADV Board in 1993.

First EADV Spring Symposium

Malta Hilton
27 February - 1 March 2003

The Spring Symposium in Malta (27 February - 1 March 2003) will be the first of EADV’s reach-out meetings, designed to emphasise clinical aspects of Dermatology and Venereology with particular reference to the region in which the meeting is being held.

The Malta meeting will be of interest to all practising clinical dermatologists. Colleagues from different Mediterranean countries will be involved in regional clinical dermatology to create refresher courses of the highest level. ‘Hands-on’ workshops in Dermatology, Surgical Dermatology and Cosmetic Procedures together with ‘Meet the Expert’ lunches will address a width of clinical dermatological topics. Involvement of Dermatological Nursing Groups and Patient Associations will combine to make this symposium a unique experience.

“Malta’s Sacra Infermeria was, in its time, one of the finest hospitals in Europe and Maltese physicians have been making their mark for hundreds of years,” comments Joseph Pace, EADV Board Member for Malta and Chairman of the 2003 Spring Symposium. “Join us in Malta 2003, and form part of the EADV dermatology bridge to the Mediterranean!”
As many of you know, we now have two Board Meetings per year to deal with the increasing volume of business and administration that is being generated in our Academy.

To refocus on the essential values of our organisation and to set goals for the future, the Board had an intensive 5-hour strategic planning session at its February meeting in Malta. This session was organised by European and American facilitators with much experience in organisations like ours (the American, Mr. Brad Claxton has recently retired as Administrative Director of the American Academy of Dermatology, whilst Robin Lokerman, of GIC Management in Brussels, advises many associations on a pan-European scale).

Our Board all found this to be a stimulating and challenging experience. Many issues were discussed in detail, including the role of the EADV in European Dermatology, the services that are provided for members, and the products of the EADV such as the Journal etc. Proposals for a mission statement and short, interim and long-term goals were identified. These will be finalised at the Board Meeting in Munich and will appear in a subsequent edition of the EADV News.

As you can see, there are many exciting developments taking place in the EADV. We are a rapidly growing organisation and are very anxious to fulfil the needs of our members.

Let us know how we can improve our Academy! Visit the website and get in touch with our Administrative Assistant. Come and visit the EADV house in Brussels! Remember to vote in the election of the new President-Elect at the OGM in Munich (or use the EADV Proxy Form, page 3, if you cannot attend in person).

Looking forward to seeing you in Munich.

Frank C. Powell
Secretary General

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