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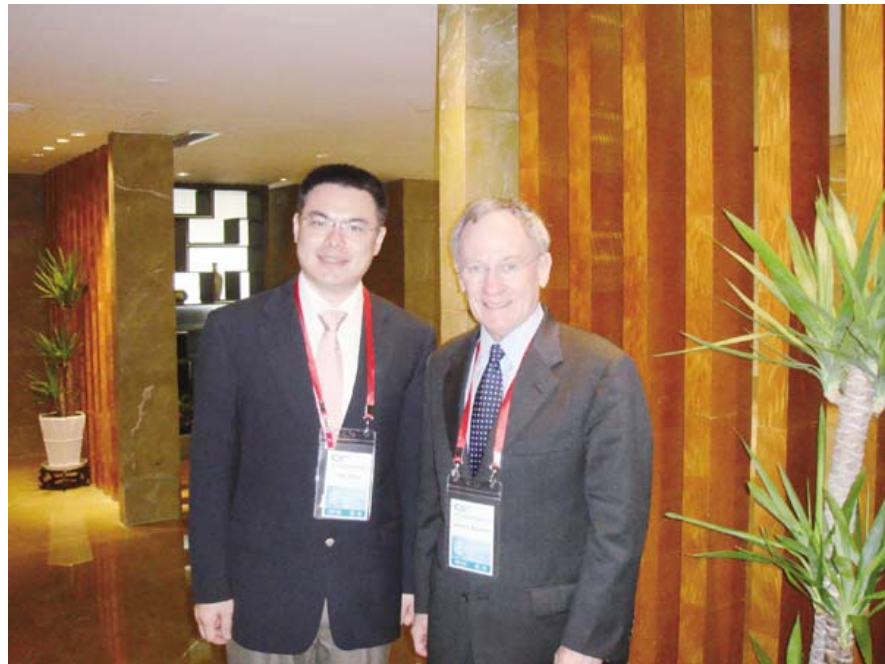
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CUA2009: Interview with Prof. Bueschen, AUA President

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On behalf of the CUA Website, Dr. Min Zhang, CUA-AUA Liaison had an interview with Prof. Anton J. Bueschen, President of the American Urological Association (AUA) during the CUA2009 Annual Meeting.



Dr. Zhang: Welcome to CUA2009. Could you please tell us your impression on this CUA annul meeting?

Prof. Bueschen: The 16th Annual Meeting of the CUA is very impressive for being such a young organization. The attendance is superb and the physicians attending the meeting seem very committed to learning as much as they can. The meeting is organized with a diversity of subjects being presented. The participation by leaders of several major international organizations adds much to the meeting and international

relations.

It was a pleasure to observe and participate with Dr. Na and other leaders in the free consultation service for the community on September 17, 2009. I have never seen such volunteer service at any urology meeting anywhere else.

Chengdu is a very interesting and exciting venue for your Annual Meeting. The ongoing development of the city is quite remarkable. Thank you very much for the invitation to participate in your Annual Meeting.

[Dr. Zhang: You gave a lecture on evolution of urologic imaging at the plenary session this morning. Could you please describe the future of urologic imaging?](#)

Prof. Bueschen: Currently physicians and patients take for granted that modern technology is available to help with diagnosis and treatment. It is amazing that this has all evolved in 110 years. New technology is one of many reasons why the delivery of healthcare has become so expensive in the United States.

In the future, we will see refinements in the current technology and new technology that will improve our ability to help our patients. However, the future will require us to also reduce the costs by clearly defining the indications for technology. This should make the new technology more readily available in both developed and developing countries.

[Dr. Zhang: Last month the CUA delegation visited AUA Headquarters and learned a lot from the AUA's operation. Here I'd like to express my gratefulness to the AUA on behalf of the CUA again. As AUA President, could you give some suggestions on CUA's development?](#)

Prof. Bueschen: The development will take years just as it has for the American Urological Association (AUA). You have what it takes to help the CUA: superb leadership and a strong desire to improve. Education of urologists, residents, and medical students for the purpose of improving the healthcare of your patients should remain your major goal. This will allow you to focus on what will improve both the CUA and healthcare delivery. Please be assured that the AUA desires to assist the CUA.

[Dr. Zhang: The CUA and AUA have had good collaborations. What're your plans and expectations on our future collaborations?](#)

Prof. Bueschen: Our organizations have been working together for only three years. We already have some exciting programs for exchanging information to help each other. The programs are going to be improved and expanded through the efforts of the leadership of both groups. It is exciting that we have already developed exchange

programs for our annual meetings and the opportunity for junior urologists and residents to visit university programs in our countries. In the future the leaders of CUA and AUA will be evaluating the current programs to suggest ways to make them better.

On a personal note, I want to say that I have been very impressed with the leaders of the CUA. They are physicians who are intelligent and devoted to their profession, but more importantly they are very good people with strong character and a sense of humor. The leaders of the AUA look forward to continuing the important exchanges.

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