



2<sup>nd</sup> International Conference of Evidence-Based Health Care Teachers & Developers

## Sign posting the future in EBHC

*Utveggio Castle, Palermo (Italy) - September 10-14, 2003*



# Benvenuti in Sicilia

# The power of Internet

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## Evidence-Based Health Discussion List

**Subject:** conference on teaching ebm/ websites/ sources of materials/ collaboration/ & CATs (or Pearls)

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**Date:** 22 May 2000 - 11:28 BST

- Some time ago I invited comments about such a meeting.
- I received 21 replies all of whom were positive - with some helpful suggestions.
- How long was agreed at **2-3 days**.
- Some interesting ideas:
  - developing **methods to evaluate teaching performance**
  - developing **criteria to evaluate effectiveness of workshops**
- I suggest March 2001 is about practical
- I have the e-mails of the people who responded initially and I will approach them to make up an organising committee - anyone else who wants to help

Please take one step forward  
Martin Dawes

# Where ?

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The question of where was determined  
by the origin of the sender

# At the time my proposal was...

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Possibly in Europe,  
ideally in Italy,  
it would be fantastic in Sicily!



# What is Evidence-based Medicine?

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- Paradigm
- Reference
- Dogma
- Neologism
- Philosophy
- New orthodoxy
- ...

*Guyatt GH*

# **Evidence-based Medicine**

*ACP Journal Club 1991;Mar-Apr:A-16*

September 2001. Ten years later

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**EBM was the occasion  
for the irresistible wish to meet**





**1<sup>st</sup> International Conference of  
Evidence-Based Health Care Teachers & Developers**  
*Altavilla Milicia (PA), Italy - September 12-16, 2003*

4 Days

78 Attendees



13 Countries

4 Continents



Australia 5



New Zealand 2



Canada 5



Norway 2



Chile 1



Oman 1



Colombia 1



UK 30



Germany 3



USA 3



Hungary 2



Venezuela 1



Italy 22



# Personal view on the running of the EBM workshop in Sicily

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*A foreign conference held the day  
after the terrorist attack on America*

MARTIN DAWES

# Personal view on the running of the EBM workshop in Sicily

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- At 7.35 pm I sent e-mail to participants stating that if they wanted to come then we would be here, but that the Conference were cancelled
- At Midday of 12th September, the number arriving was now up to 28 and we had a meeting to arrange

*MARTIN DAWES*

# ...plenaries



# ...working group (cheers)



...pleasantly dining





# 4 months later

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The story of Conference goes on...

# 28th January 2002

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Franz (Porzsolt)

I think it will be June 2003! In Sicily

Will work with you and Nino

Just sorting out my future re jobs - leaving the Centre -  
probably some decisions by the end of the month

Best wishes

Martin Dawes



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*Utveggio Castle, Palermo (Italy), 10<sup>th</sup> -14<sup>th</sup> September, 2003*

Hosted by **GIMBE**<sup>®</sup> and **CERISDI**  
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### Detailed program

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#### Informations

The need for health professionals to learn to access and understand evidence has become ever larger with the increasing volume of health care research.

The **First Conference** of Evidence-Based Health Care Developers & Teachers took place on the 12th September 2001. This landmark event enabled the international exchange of experience and knowledge and the exploration of contemporary experiments and developments. It was made possible by the emergence of the **GIMBE**. EBHC is being taught around the world in diverse settings, but the problems faced by teachers are very similar. The processes for teaching and their evaluation were shared in plenaries, small groups and informal discussion.

The second Conference of Evidence-Based Health Care Teachers & Developers builds on that first experience and shifts the focus to the future: the theme is sign posting directions to developing tools and strategies to support teaching and implementing EBHC and to future research.

We are confident that our invitation in Sicily will be appreciated by the international community of EBHC developers & teachers, so to enable us to put up a good scientific meeting in an atmosphere not only as warm as expected in a Mediterranean country, but also very rich in cultural stimuli.

#### The Conference Steering Committee

*Amanda Burls, Nino Cartabellotta, Martin Dawes, John Geddes, Paul Glasziou,  
Kev Hopayan, Janet Martin, James Osborne, Franz Porzsoit, Bill Summerskill*



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**Czech R. 2**



**Denmark 4**



**Germany 6**



**Ireland 6**



**Italy 12**



**Lebanon 1**



**New Zealand 2**



**Oman 2**



**Saudi Arabia 1**



**Spain 2**



**Sweden 1**



**UK 22**



**USA 10**



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# Thanks to...

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- Amanda Burls UK
- Martin Dawes Canada
- Paul Glasziou UK, Australia
- Kev Hopayan UK
- Janet Martin Canada
- James Osborne UK
- Franz Porzsolt Germany
- Bill Summerskill UK

and...

- Myself Italy

Finally, I again apologize for not being there.  
I briefly reconsidered last week, but felt I couldn't abandon my family so soon after moving to a new country.

So it is with some envy, I will think of you all in the sunshine, learning wonderful new things, and sipping wine in great company.

I wish you all a enjoyable and fruitful time in Sicily!

Paul Glasziou



Thanks to... CERISDI



# Thanks to... supporting Institutions

- Arcispedale S.Maria Nuova, Reggio Emilia (Italy)
- CASP International Network
- Ludwig Maximilian University, München (Germany)
- Centre for Evidence-based Medicine, Oxford (UK)
- University of Bristol (UK)

Thanks to...

...our choice of not  
involve commercial  
sponsors



*Drawing by Malcolm Willett. BMJ, 2003*

# Thanks to...

...all our wonderful assistants

...to anyone not mentioned

and, last but not least...

*Grazie a tutti voi*



# Welcome to Sicily



# Land of art...



Sicilian Horse Carts



Mosaic Detail, Piazza Armerina



Sicilian Ceramic Art

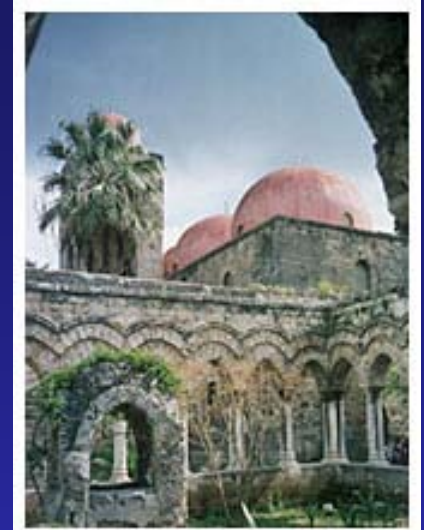




**Mosaic Icon of Christ Pantokrator  
(Cathedral Apse)**



**Temple at Segesta**



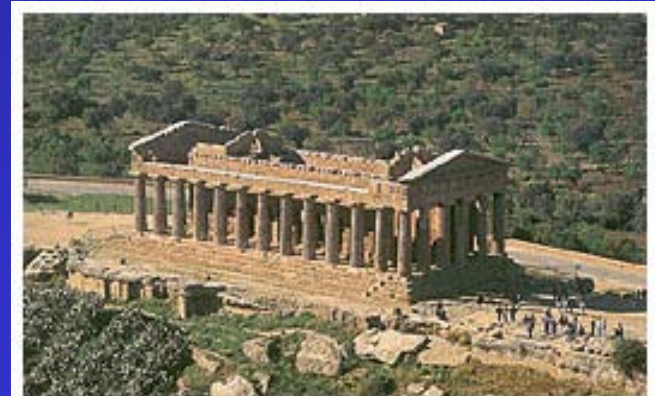
**St. John's of the Hermits**



**Teatro Massimo**



**Palermo Cathedral**



**Temple of Concord, Agrigento**





...culture...

Aeschylus, Archimedes, Arethusa, Paolo Borsellino,  
Persephone, Demeter, Frederick II, Andrea  
Camilleri, Antonello da Messina, Giacomo Serpotta,  
Vincenzo Bellini, Giovanni Verga, Leonardo  
Sciascia, Giuseppe Tornatore, Maria Grazia  
Cucinotta, Luigi Pirandello, Salvatore Quasimodo,  
Giovanni Falcone.....

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...history...





...sun and sea...





...tasty cuisine...



**Martorana Fruit  
(Pasta Reale)**



...refined wines and...





# ...(ignored) land of Evidence-Based Medicine

Professor Pagliaro School of Medicine...

*1959-2003*

GIMBE establishment...

*March 1996*

1st EBHC Conference

*September 2001*

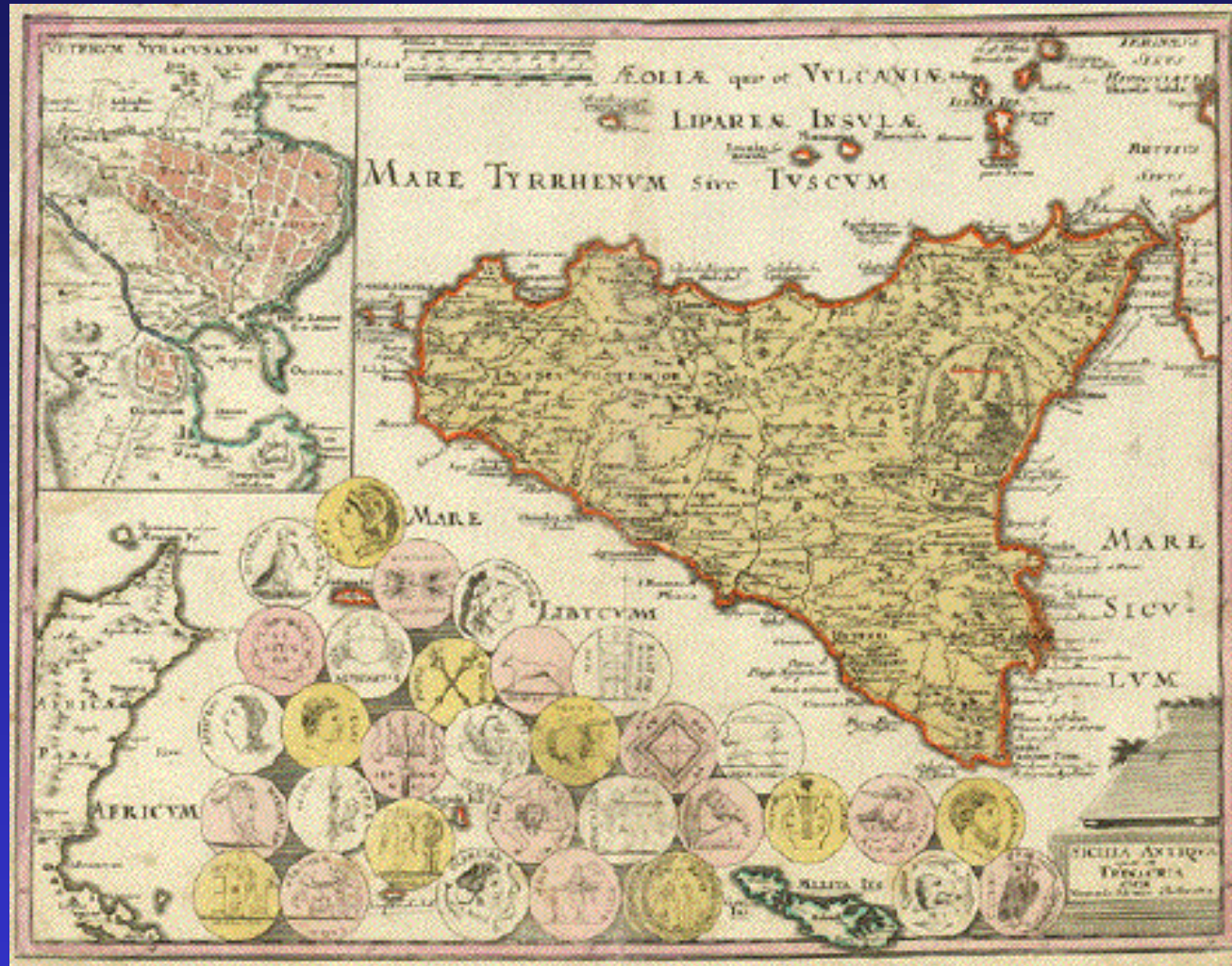
2nd EBHC Conference

*September 2003*



# Welcome to Sicily

A land impossible to forget



**“Sicilia Antiqua quae et Trinacria dicta Nummis Siculis Illustrata”**

*Copper etching, ca 1700*



# Looking forward to the 3rd EBHC International Conference...

...where?



**...in Sicily, of course**