

Impression Fellowship Attendee



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Dear members of IPFA,

I am very pleased to send you my impressions about the meeting IPFA/BCA 3rd Global Symposium on the Future for Blood and Plasma Donations carried out in Atlanta last week.

I must highlight the excellent professional level of all the conferences. The "Setting the scene" that began the conferences' journey established the global framework for all the others, and introduced the great questions in relation to the future of plasma fractionation. These are the questions that the developed world is asking, and that cannot be ignored in order to define the future strategies.

It was a very interesting initiative to include the patients and family's testimonies. It was very educating, emotive and conscientious in relation to the implications of our work. It lets us realize about the real value of the products we produce.

The conferences that share their experiences in changing a blood center into a blood/plasma collection center were especially interesting for me. The strategies applied and the statistics presented were very opportune.

On the other hand, I cannot stop thinking about South America reality. In it, only 5 of the 12 countries are fractionating their plasma. I feel that in Laboratory of Hemoderivates we have the strong duty to transmit to all these countries all I could see, think and learn during the meeting.

I am grateful for the opportunity provided by IPFA to participate in this Symposium!.

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