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WELCOME

2020 is the year we learnt to do things very differently due to a small and very nasty virus. We have learnt to use virtual systems for staff and ward meetings, for patient reviews and for our education, our learning and our teaching but we have missed being with our friends, our families and our colleagues. We have learnt to move away rather than towards others, we all wash our hands much more often than before and we have stopped travelling to other places, for work, for meetings and/or for holidays. So many conferences have been cancelled, postponed, or have been reconfigured as virtual meetings and a few are experimenting with hybrid meetings.

Instead of being in Yokohama in September 2020, the 59th ISCoS Annual Scientific Meeting went virtual and virtual meetings have a lot going for them, including reduced costs and allowing people to attend who otherwise could not.

2021 will be different again. To celebrate the 60th Anniversary of the first ISCoS ASM, our meeting will be in beautiful Vancouver and I hope that many of you will be able to join us there. Some of you will recall the wonderful meeting held in Vancouver in 2002 and it will be exciting to revisit this lovely city. However, this meeting will be different for other reasons as well. It will be a 'hybrid' meeting with those who can attend in person doing so, while allowing those who cannot attend in person to attend from home at a lower cost to register using these new systems that we are now utilising on a daily basis.

I look forward to spending our 60th ISCoS ASM with all of you – either in Vancouver in person or via the virtual links that will be available.

A/Prof Ruth Marshall
ISCoS President



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