I am very pleased to welcome you to participate in the 24th Annual Meeting of the Consortium of Multiple Sclerosis Centers (CMSC) that will be held in the Grand Hyatt Hotel, San Antonio, Texas, on June 2 - 5, 2010.

As you know, this Meeting is a collaborative effort of the CMSC, IOMSN, ACTRIMS and LACTRIMS, with the continuing medical education provided by the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey (UMDNJ) - Center for Continuing and Outreach Education.

This year's theme is: Multiple Sclerosis: Sustaining Care, Seeking a Cure. Symposia, Clinical Courses and Workshops will address important aspects of MS, diagnosis and care, rehabilitation and symptomatic interventions, new and advanced concepts in technology and new projects of research.

The Whitaker Research Track will present us with recent information on MS research that will include emerging new MS researchers. The CMSC will recognize the best research in the field of MS to honor Dr. John Whitaker's memory.

LACTRIMS will participate in this Meeting with the LACTRIMS Lecture, chaired by our former President Dr Victor Rivera. I am pleased to let you know you that this year LACTRIMS will held its VI<sup>th</sup> Meeting in Santiago de Chile from 12-14 August and you can find further information at the CMSC web page.

As President of the Executive Committee of LACTRIMS (Latin American committee for Treatment and Research in Multiple Sclerosis) I want to thank sincerely to the CMSC Board of Governors and Executive Committee for their support to LACTRIMS. I also want to thank all the CMSC efficient staff and in particular, I want to express my sincere appreciation to the CMSC Executive Director June Halper for her exceptional commitment to the CMSC and the cause of MS, for her generosity, and for being always there for LACTRIMS.

We look forward to seeing you in San Antonio and thank you for participating. It will be a great opportunity for all of us to learn and to share ideas, as well as to socialize and interact with colleagues from around the world.

Dr. Carlos Oehninger President of LACTRIMS