



Health related presentations
at the annual ETH Zurich Conferences on
Combustion Generated Nanoparticles
2003-2009.

Collated by the VERT Association and
dedicated to

Dr. med. h. c. Andreas Mayer

To celebrate his receiving a Honorary
Doctorate in Medicine from the
University of Bern, Switzerland,
December 5th 2009

Preface

Only very distinguished savants are awarded an honorary doctorate. Universities usually bestow this distinction on faculty colleagues from other universities.

Very rarely, the honorary Doctorate is awarded to an interdisciplinary practitioner. The VERT Association is delighted that its mentor and initiator, Engineer Andreas Mayer receives the extraordinary recognition of an honorary Doctorate in Medicine from the University of Bern.

Dr Mayer initiated in 1999 the annual ETH Zurich Conferences on “Combustion Generated Nanoparticles”. This is a specialist technical conference, which international scientists and engineers, researchers, environmentalists, industrialists and regulators attend.

Dr. Mayer recognized the enormous impact of nanoparticles on environment and public health. He invited medical doctors and bio scientists to join the discussions. The well-attended health-effects sessions now attract active international participation of concerned pneumologists, cardiologists, pathologists, epidemiologists and other medical specialists.

The honorary Doctorate is a deserved recognition of Dr. Mayer’s selfless and persistent global campaign to improve respiratory air quality and prevent nanoparticle-induced mortality and morbidity. Prevention is better than cure!

This DVD is a compilation of all the medical presentations at the ETH Zurich Nanoparticles Conferences. It also contains some additional pertinent contributions. The VERT Association dedicates this DVD to Dr. Andreas Mayer. We wish him continued success in abating combustion-generated nanoparticle emissions, improving air quality and promoting public health.

Berne, Switzerland, December 5th, 2009

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