

## A commitment to global collaboration, welcoming international participation and advancing science for the benefit of patients

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Dear Editor,

as we prepare for the International Society on Thrombosis and Haemostasis (ISTH) 2025 Congress in Washington, D.C., we are reminded of the strength and significance of our global community. The ISTH remains firmly dedicated to advancing science, supporting research and fostering innovation across borders. Now more than ever, we encourage the global ISTH community to come together—not just as individuals or institutions, but as a collective committed to building connections, exchanging knowledge, advancing science and improving patient care.

We recognize that political tensions are heightened globally, with developments in the United States playing a role. However, the ISTH is, and has always been, a scientific and apolitical society, dedicated to the advancement of research, open discourse and the exchange of knowledge -independent of geopolitical issues.

While Washington, D.C., serves as the seat of the U.S. government, it is also a thriving and hospitable international hub that, like major cities around the world, continues its daily life regardless of political developments. As such, we are confident that it will provide a welcoming and inclusive environment for all attendees of the **ISTH 2025 Congress**.

We take great pride in the global ISTH community, united by our shared mission and strengthened by our collective values. The ISTH Congress is more than a meeting, it is a forum where diverse perspectives are embraced, and scientific innovation is advanced. We are committed to ensuring that as many members of our community as possible can participate, reinforcing our dedication to cross-cultural collaboration and scientific progress.

This progress does not happen in isolation; it thrives through commitment, a shared spirit of curiosity and discovery, and the pursuit of scientific advancement, driving the future of research, innovation and clinical care. Supporting these efforts is not just a contribution to the ISTH, it is a reaffirmation of our individual and collective dedication to improving the understanding, diagnosis, prevention and treatment of conditions related to thrombosis and hemostasis. Together, we transform knowledge into action, research into breakthroughs and collaboration into meaningful change.

We look forward to welcoming you to **ISTH 2025** and to the inspiring conversations and collaborations that will drive scientific advancements and improve patient care worldwide.

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