

CMACC 2015 PRESENTER PROFILES



Frederique Keller, DOM, L.Ac, the current President of the AAS, Frederique holds a Master of Science in Oriental Medicine and is a Licensed Acupuncturist , as well as a Medical Herbalist on Long Island, NY, where she has also been a beekeeper for over 20 years. She utilizes bee venom therapy for a variety of disorders and incorporates the products of the hive in her treatment protocols. She has traveled extensively and has done post graduate studies in China and India in the fields of Traditional Chinese Medicine and Classical Homeopathy.



Dr. Andrew Kochan, MD, practices medicine near Los Angeles, CA, and is the Past President of the AAS. He has been using bee venom in his chronic pain practice for over 19 years. He is involved in doing clinical research on the uses of bee venom therapy. He has presented his findings of successful treatment of several types of neuropathic pain with bee venom at national medical meetings. He also uses honey, pollen, propolis and royal jelly in his medical practice.



Vetaley Stashenko, PhD, ND, trained in apiculture and as a naturopathic doctor in his native country Kiev (Ukraine), and in the United States. He now lives in Florida. He serves as an AAS Board Member and lectures internationally on Apitherapy.



Glenn Perry is an AAS Board Member, Beekeeper, Apitherapy practitioner and lecturer, and owner of GlenHeaven Propolis in Ojai, California. He has been recognized internationally for pioneering a method to produce water-soluble propolis, and has also lectured world wide on propolis and its applications for human and animal health.



Kristine Jacobson is an AAS Board Member, and has been an active Apitherapy practitioner since 2002. She is also an urban Beekeeper in Grand Rapids, Michigan where she lives in the Downtown Historic District. Kristine does Apitherapy presentations across the country for state and local bee conferences, and she has been featured on “The Travel Channel” as well as on local television and radio.



Kate McWiggins, Secretary of the AAS board, lives near Seattle, WA. She is a Botanist who has worked for over twenty years as an environmental consultant and teaches plant identification. Kate has practiced natural beekeeping for more than twenty years and is an avid gardener. She uses Apitherapy as well as making several healing beeswax creams to treat people in the Seattle area. Kate has recently begun to do Apitherapy presentations with one of her most recent ones being for the Hawai'i Honey Festival sponsored by the Big Island Beekeepers Association.



Dr. Patrick Fratellone, MD, RH (AHG) FIM FACC

Dr. Fratellone has the distinction of being one of the few integrative cardiologists in the United States. He is also the only integrative physician in New York City with active hospital admitting privileges at three city hospitals: St. Luke's Hospital, Roosevelt Hospital and Beth Israel Hospital. Dr. Fratellone is a Fellow of Integrative Medicine with a degree from the University of Arizona, where he studied under the directorship of Dr. Andrew Weil, M.D. Dr. Fratellone has recently completed his course studies at the Northeast School of Botanical Medicine under the supervision of 7song. Dr. Fratellone recently completed his coursework for fellowship as a Registered Herbalist (American Herbal Guild) making him one of the few medical doctors in the United States with this distinction. Dr. Fratellone was elected to the AAS Board of Directors after attending CMACC 2014.



Hossein Yeganehrad, Owner of Caspian Apiaries in Canada began a Beekeeping career at the age of seven when he decided to start his own business without any financial help from friends or relatives. At 15 years of age Hossein created the first Caspian Solution recipe using a certain blend of royal jelly, syrup, pollen and honey and over the years was able to use this solution to help countless Beekeepers with their diseased hives in re establishing healthy colonies. “Rad” has been a member of AAS for a several years, attended CMACC in 2012, and was elected to the AAS Board of Directors after attending CMACC 2014.



Frank Yurasek, L.Ac. PhD, Frank left a 22-year career in marketing in 1985 to begin the study and practice of Eastern Medicine after his wife experienced miraculous pain relief following her first acupuncture treatment. Beginning with a preceptorship in acupuncture and tui na with Yin Lin Hand, TCM for 18 months, Frank then continued on at the Midwest College of Oriental Medicine, where he received a MS in Oriental Medicine, and his PhD in 2002. He was also a Professor of Tui Na there, and a clinic supervisor since 1996. Frank has interned in China and Japan, lectured and taught at schools and conferences throughout the United States. Dr. Yurasek is currently Chair and Chief Clinician of Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine at National university of Health Sciences. Frank also has a Masters of Science in Herbal

Medicine from The Midwest College of Oriental Medicine, where he also teaches Tui Na and supervises Student Clinics. He is the first American inducted into the Japanese Oriental Medical Society and trained in Japanese Herbal Medicine as well as Western Herbs. He has also been studying and practicing Tai Qi and Qi Gong since 1985.



Dr. Allen Dennison, MD, graduated from Harvard University in Biology and Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons in 1980. His wife, Jane Dennison MD, a pediatrician and beekeeper, has encouraged his efforts to use raw local and Manuka honey to close wounds in the nursing home where he works. He is currently working with the Depts. of Microbiology, Pharmacy and Wound Care (Division of Nursing) at Brown University's RI Hospital, to re- establish honey as a preferred dressing component for all surgical wounds, with special attention to antibiotic-resistant bacteria. He is an active clinical teacher at Brown University and Boston University Medical Schools. He has vowed not to rest until

the National Board of Internal Medicine includes an exam question on wound healing- to which you already know the answer.



Antonio Couto Antonio resides in Lisbon, Portugal where he practices apitherapy specializing in micro api-puncture and in the practical application of bee products. He also specializes in Reflexology, Phitotherapy, Nutrition, and Jin Shin Jyutsu. Antonio created the “bee pollen diet” which he himself follows and has been involved with apitherapy for many years participating in numerous international conferences including the popular congress in Passau, Germany led by Dr. Stefan Stangaciu. Antonio is currently President of the Portuguese Apitherapy Association, President of the “BeeClinic”, Lda, and co-founder of the organization “Bees for Life”.

He has been an International Apitherapy Consultant since 2005 and is an organizer and co-organizer of Apitherapy courses and media presentations. He has presented Apitherapy papers and Api-puncture demonstrations in Portugal, Germany, Spain, Romania, Brazil, France, Italy, Hungary, Japan, Slovenia, Angola, Senegal, Morocco, and in the USA where he did an amazing practical workshop with participants of CMACC 2014 in Chicago last year. We are thrilled to have him joining us again in NY.



Dr. Michael I. Gurevich, MD is a holistically- minded Medical Doctor who is Board Certified in Psychiatry, Addiction and Holistic Medicine. He is trained in acupuncture, guided imagery and energetic medicine. For more than a decade he has been recognized yearly as among the best Psychiatrists in the New York Metropolitan Area by prestigious Castle Connolly publication. He is one of the few psychiatrists in the country who has experience in stabilizing difficult psychiatric patients by getting them off medication. Dr. Gurevich has been using injectable honey bee venom injections for over ten years and he has witnessed a great response to this treatment modality. He has multidisciplinary clinic experience treating multiple psychiatric and medical conditions.