



Short Bio/CV

Dr. Alfonso M. Cueto-Manzano

- Degrees: Medicine (1982-1988, University of Guadalajara). Internal Medicine (1989-1992), Nephrology (1992-1994) and Master's in Medical Sciences (1994-1996) in the National Institute of Nutrition "Salvador Zubirán"/UNAM. Doctorate in Pharmacology (University of Guadalajara, 2000-2003).
- International Society of Nephrology (ISN) Fellowship Award: School of Medicine, University of Manchester, and Renal Medicine Unit, Manchester Royal Infirmary, UK (1996-1998).
- Adscription: Hospital de Especialidades, Mexican Institute of Social Security (IMSS), Guadalajara, Mexico, since March 1999; founded the Medical Research Unit in Kidney Diseases (2006). Currently, Head of the Biomedical Research Unit 02.
- Scientific production: 120 scientific articles, 16 chapters in national books and 8 in international books, 4 books, 2 national clinical practice guidelines and 2 international ones; >3,600 citations, H-index 30 (Google Scholar). Member of the National Research System (SNI) level III and the National Academy of Medicine.
- Technical Reports for the Pan American Health Organization (PAHO) on the *Availability of Human and Technological Resources, and Estimation of Needs to Expand Coverage and Access to Dialysis and Transplantation*, subsequently considered in the PAHO 2014 Strategic Plan.
- Educational Activities: Adjunct Professor of Nephrology in the last 25 years; tutored theses of 19 Nephrology residents, 13 Master's and 11 PhD students; 148 national and 78 international conferences; 359 original research papers presented at national and 215 at international meetings.
- Online courses content: a) *Clinical Prevention of Chronic Non-Communicable Diseases* (National Institute of Public Health and Ministry of Health, 2009); b) *Prevention, Diagnosis and Treatment of Early Chronic Kidney Disease at Primary Health Care* (IMSS, 2013); c) *Prevention and Management of Chronic Kidney Disease. Primary Health Care* (PAHO-WHO-SLANH, 2016); d) *Peritoneal Dialysis for the Multidisciplinary Team of the Primary Health Care* (PAHO-SLANH, 2018).
- Social commitment: Coordination of the World Kidney Day at our Hospital: 626 people with/without social security evaluated in 2011; 890 in 2017; 777 in 2020; and 681 in 2023. Participation in the *Second Global Kidney Health Summit: Increasing Access to Integrated ESKD*, organized by ISN (2018) to design a comprehensive strategy to better understand differences in kidney failure care, support development of kidney disease care in low- and lower-middle-income countries, and consider ethical, financial, and cultural aspects to expand kidney care.
- Abogacy: Participation in ISN Kidney Policy Forums (2017 and 2024). Meetings with Ministries of Health, Senate (2014, 2017 and 2020) and Deputies (2014 and 2019), to promote Kidney Health Programs. Participation in PAHO Health Council Meetings, representing SLANH, addressing the plenary of Ministers of Health of the Americas (2017 and 2019) to raise awareness of CKD in our continent and urge governments to include it in their National Health Plans.
- Positions in Nephrology Societies: president of the Jalisco College of Nephrology (local), president of the IMIN (national), president of the SLANH (2017-2019, Latin America), and president of the Mexican Council of Nephrology (2022-2023). Member of ISN Committees: Clinical Research Program (2013-2021),

Educational Ambassador (2015-2019), and Fellowship Awards (2016-2022). Currently, member of the ISN Latin American Regional Board, and the SLANH Kidney Health and Research Committees.

Candidate's Statement

Latin America has one of the highest rates of inequity in access and coverage for diagnosis and treatment of kidney disease, ESKD incidence and prevalence, and mortality and disability from CKD. Well-coordinated actions of ISN and the Latin American Society of Nephrology and Hypertension (SLANH) are needed to promote the creation and/or increase the capacity and quality of kidney health plans in all our countries. Clearly, other ISN essential actions such as seeking to increase public awareness of CKD, connecting kidney professionals, support high-level research, education and training in nephrology must be continued.

As former president of national Mexican societies, and of SLANH, I am aware of the reality and needs of patients, nephrology teams, and leaders of our region. I have also been involved within the ISN since my beginnings as recipient of a Fellowship Award and then as member of several committees. I know the high standards and commitment of our society, and the actions it has always performed for members and the community worldwide. Therefore, I believe I am in a valuable position to seek to connect ISN and our Latin American countries, in the best possible way, to achieve our goal of better kidney health.