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The **11th International Conference on Oxidative Stress in Medicine and Skin Biology** took place in Chora of Andros, from **September 12–15, 2024**.

The conference was co-organized by the **National and Kapodistrian University of Athens**, the scientific societies **Oxygen Club of California**, **Society for Free Radical Research Europe**, the **Hellenic Pharmaceutical Society**, as well as the **Municipality of Andros** and the **South Aegean Region**. The Scientific Committee for the 11th conference was chaired by **Professor Jean Kanitakis**, Dermatologist at the “Centre Hospitalier Universitaire” of Lyon, France.

The conference gathered **scientists and researchers from around the world** in the fields of oxidative stress in the skin, antioxidants, cellular signaling, wound healing, inflammation, cancer, and other skin disorders, as well as photodynamic therapy, diabetic skin issues, the effects of radiation and environmental factors, and the role of natural products on the skin. The central topics of this year’s conference are **skin cancer** and the **impact of ultraviolet light on the skin**.

The program was opened by his chairman Professor Kanitakis, who presented the subject of “Skin Cancer in Organ Transplant Recipients”. Other researchers presented subjects relative to melanoma and non-melanoma skin cancers in relation to oxidative stress, pollution and therapy approaches. A round table on “Prevention and Treatment of Skin Cancer” followed by poster presentations by young investigators closed the first day.

More than **150** dermatologists, other physicians, pharmacists, biologists, biochemists and chemists convened in **Chora of Andros** for four days, sharing their basic and clinical research findings, discussing related issues, voicing concerns, and proposing solutions.

The organization and realization of the conference would not be possible without the support of the local community, particularly the **Municipality of Andros**, the **Monastery of Panachrantos**, the **Museums**, the **Topical Region**, many **Benefactors** as **Mrs Polemi**, and the **Topical Collaborators Mrs Korachai Kalliopi** and **Mrs Korachai Dimitra**.

The conference, especially the welcoming courtyard of the Municipal Theater, has been a cradle for much discussions and new collaborations.

As part of this year's event and as a **community service** to the residents of Andros, experienced conference dermatologists performed **mole examinations** for residents over the age of 65, using high-resolution dermatoscopes. This event took place on **Sunday, September 15, 2024**, at the topical medical center.