Christina Wang, MD, PhD, 1944-2026

It is with heavy hearts that we share the news of the passing of our friend and collaborator, Dr. Christina Wang, founding member and Chief Financial Officer of the International Consortium for Male Contraception (ICMC). .

Dr. Wang was a Professor of Medicine and Assistant Dean at the David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA, and Senior Associate Director for Clinical and Translational Science Institute of the Division of Endocrinology, Department of Medicine, Harbor-UCLA Medical Center and The Lundquist Institute. Her clinical research studies included androgen replacement therapy, hormonal male contraceptive development, late onset hypogonadism, accurate assessment of serum androgens, diet and androgen metabolism, environment and lifestyle modifications on sperm parameter and more recently sperm epigenome. Her basic research studies focused on the regulation of spermatogenesis.

She also served as Secretary, Chair of the Program Organizing Committee and President of the International Society of Andrology (2001-2013). She was a member of the Research Group on Methods for the Regulation of Male Fertility of the World Health Organization since 1984 and Chairperson 1991-2002. She was on the editorial of the WHO “Semen Manual” from the 1st workshop and edition in 1980 to the new 6th edition in 2021. She was awarded Distinguished Andrologist Award the Highest Award of the American Society of Andrology in 2013; and the Mayo Soley Award, Western Society of Clinical Investigation for Excellence in Clinical Investigation and Mentoring in 2015. She mentored many physicians and scientists and is an advocate for young investigators. Dr. Wang has been invited speaker and distinguished lecturer at many national and international endocrinology, reproductive endocrinology and andrology conferences.

She has authored over 350 peer-reviewed publications, 70 chapters and reviews. Dr. Wang served on the Executive Council, several committees and President of the American Society of Andrology (2006-2007). She was President of ISA from 2009-2013.

Dr. Wang made tremendous contributions to the field of Andrology and will be remembered for her unique insights, enthusiasm, leadership, and commitment to the field of male contraception.

Dr. Wang was an internationally recognized investigator, renowned endocrinologist, and member of the Population Council's International Committee for Contraception Research (ICCR). Dr. Wang was a member of the ICCR for about two decades (2005-2026) and an Emeritus member (2018-2026). The Population Council is thankful for all of Dr. Wang's contributions, including the development of novel male contraceptive methods.

The ICMC is thankful for all of Dr. Wang's achievements, including lectures at the Fifth International Congress on Male Contraceptive Methods, organized by the International Consortium for Male Contraception (ICMC), Male Contraceptive Initiative (MCI), Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD), and the Population Council.

Christina was amazing, she wanted to fulfill all her commitments until her last day lecturing at the Fifth Congress of the International Consortium for Male Contraception on June 5th in Bethesda, then had to fly back to California to be hospitalized for a last cure of treatment of an incurable cancer, and passed away on June 10th, 2026.

She will be deeply missed by her students, patients, and colleagues. Our deepest sympathies are with her family, and we share the deep sorrow of this terrible loss,

Regine Sitruk-Ware