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1. What were you doing 35 years ago?

I was working in the Intensive Care Service at Hospital de la Santa Creu i Sant Pau in Barcelona.

2. What do you love about ISICEM?

ISICEM is a good opportunity to meet friends and for international scientific exchange.

3. Do you have a most memorable moment from ISICEM's 35-year history?

The most memorable moments were the round table conference on Acute Lung Injury in 1987 and the 25th anniversary of ISICEM.

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1. What were you doing 35 years ago?

I was a 3rd year Anaesthesiology resident at Turku University Hospital in Finland, and had just started my training in intensive care at the paediatric ICU.

2. What do you love about ISICEM?

The mix of hearing the new and upcoming research (unless Prof. Vincent keeps you too busy...) and meeting colleagues and friends.

3. Do you have a most memorable moment from ISICEM's 35-year history?

In the early years of mobile phones Prof. Vincent interrupting his talk in the main hall to answer his mobile phone.



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1. What were you doing 35 years ago?

I was finishing my second fellowship in Pulmonary Medicine and Physiology at Johns Hopkins Medical Institutions and learning the large animal experimental techniques I would apply then and afterward to further characterise heart-lung interactions.

2. What do you love about ISICEM?

The broad knowledge base of scientific presentations, the dynamic and changing faculty reflecting the thought leaders in the field and the enthusiastic participants who crowd into every lecture hall and conference room.

3. Do you have a most memorable moment from ISICEM's 35-year history?

My most memorable moment was when I did a friendly roast of Jean-Louis Vincent at the opening ceremony of the 25th annual meeting, reviewing his life from training to the then present.



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