

## **Report from the meeting of the Technical Commission of the IHGC Congress 2005 in China**

The session of Technical Commission was held during 50<sup>th</sup> IHGC in the city of Lanzhou. A brochure with compiled lectures was published as a source for information about the website with lectures and this Bibliography went out as well ([www.czhops.cz/tc](http://www.czhops.cz/tc)).

The first paper in our program was devoted to Chinese hop-growing. Hop-growing in China is special as it is in other countries, but it is also peculiar because of climatic and geographical conditions here. I believe therefore that it was profitable to learn more about it on a theoretical level before visiting the farm and then to confront our ideas and knowledge brought by our discourse with facts.

Second paper was devoted to the issue of Powdery mildew. Our friends from Germany informed us about results and experience in the area of testing and prognosis of appearance of Powdery mildew in Bavarian hop-growing area.

The next paper was devoted to bioactive substances in hops and beer. This topic is still up to date due to the current advertising campaign promoting increase of beer consumption in a way of so-called moderating consumption. Some results published here relate to the Czech Republic, but I believe they are commonly applicable. There is a correlation between using a bigger dose of good quality hops for beer hopping and content of healthy substances in the beer.

There was a meeting of scientific commission in South Africa; I believe it was not in vain to inform the attendees of the meeting about this very congress and its program and lectures.

I do believe that the meeting of the Technical Commission was very interesting and useful for your work.



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