

Keynote

C. Michael Gibson, M.S., M.D., FRCP, FAHA, FSCAI, FACC: The World is Flat, but the Earth is Round

One of the tenets of Friedman's "The World is Flat" is that Innovation increases as open access to information increases. Although the wisdom of the crowd literally argued that the "World is Flat" several centuries ago, a select number of "experts" demonstrated the world is in fact round. With the vast amount of medical information on the internet, how do we harness the "Wisdom of the Crowds" yet vet it through experts, and drive traffic to credible sites with the most relevant content? How can we streamline the process so that greater numbers of individuals and websites can participate in schema.org?

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