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apologies for not being able to see you tonight with jerry abrahams. im doing some work for WHO and couldnt stay for all inhaled particles. I presented the aust meso stuff and while the audience was about 50-50 industry and anti asbestos, graham Gibbs raised the aust brake mechanics mesos. i said they had increased risk based on employed work force denominators . this is now published as an abstract from copenhagen conf Int J Occ Env Health 7(3) Supp S34. it will also appear as a full paper in J Occ Health and Safety ANZ in Oct and as a book chapter Mesothelioma ed Robinson 2001.the 2001 meso reg report has the number of brake manuf repair cases. i may be coming back to geneva in oct and then to usa but plans still fluid. returning to australia on 15 sept. incidentally Gee raised SV40 at cambridge but it got very short shrift. chinese and russian exposure data presented. mcdonald still pushing tremolite. Camus said Landrigans letter in NEJM was "complete crap". he then said he wasnt humble and when experts disagreed on environmental exposure in quebec he decided what it was. my stuff and Rogglis fitted v well.Nick de Klerk and I discussed the possibility of a formal case referent study re brake mechanic work and meso. however, whats the issue if you dont believe in background mesos.

not sure about buenos aires. ive been travelling a lot and my wife is getting tetchy. also still tricky situation in australia...election looming. Defence Dept quibbling over chrysotile exemptions.