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**Fig. 1.** AP chest x-ray showing inflammatory consolidation in the lower right lobe, consistent with pneumonia.

## News

### Civil Order Gold Cross for Social Solidarity for Montserrat Trueta.

On 23 January 2008, Montserrat Trueta, Chair of the Catalan Down Syndrome Foundation (FCSD) was presented with the 'Civil Order Gold Cross for Social Solidarity' by Queen Sofia of Spain. This award is given annually by the Spanish Ministry of Labor and Social Affairs at the suggestion of the Secretary of State for Social Services in recognition of people or organizations that have performed outstanding work with the most disadvantaged parts of society. Mrs. Montserrat Trueta has been awarded the Gold Cross for the many years she has devoted to caring for and defending the rights of people with an intellectual disability (ID) and for her work with the FCSD. For most of her life Mrs. Trueta has

worked with people with Down syndrome (DS) and ID at the FCSD, which she founded. The FCSD aims to provide a better life for people with ID and carry out research in the fields of medicine, psychology, education and social issues, helping these people to develop fully and to facilitate their integration into society. The Foundation has helped thousands of people with DS and given hope to their families.

The Zaragoza Down Foundation and Master D are spearheading a European project called Project 'PoD' alongside other partners and bodies, under the umbrella of the 'Leonardo da Vinci' program. A raft of European associations will be providing guidance on the technical aspects of designing new technologies. The main objective is to design, develop and implement an innovative and user-friendly digital training tool (DVD) aimed at families to help them stimulate and educate people with Down syndrome over the course of their life. The project is split into several successive and complementary phases. It will run for 24 months (it started in October 2007 and is set to finish in September 2009). The first international meeting was held on 10-11 January in Zaragoza during which the foundations were laid to perform a needs analysis (phase one), which will come to a close in June of this year. For further details or if you would like to take part, please contact Pilar Villarrocha Ardisa at the Down Foundation Zaragoza by telephone: (+34) 976 388 855, or by email: [atcoord-rrhh@downzaragoza.org](mailto:atcoord-rrhh@downzaragoza.org).