

ICS Neuro-urology Promotion Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday 6th October 2015,

Venue: Palais des Congrès

Room: 512D

Time: 10.30-12.30

Known Attending: Emmanuel Chartier-Kastler (Chair), Waleed Altaweel, Marcio Averbeck, Melissa Davies, Enrico Finazzi Agrò, Pierre Denys, Magdy Hassouna, Charalampos Konstaninidis, Limin Liao, Helmut Madersbacher, Jalesh Panicker, Ryuji Sakakibara

Known Apologies: Homero Bruschini, Thomas Kessler, Andrei Manu-Marin, Brigitte Schurch, Pawan Vasudeva.

In Attendance: Avicia Burchill, Emmanuel J Braschi, Carlos D'Ancona, Juan Carlos Castano Botero, Daniele Minardi, Adrian Wagg.

1. EC thanked those who are leaving and handed out certificates. A specific thank and recognition to H Madersbacher for his work especially at a time where the committee was in trouble regarding chairmanship.

2. INUS: new information from TK & HM

EC explained about the creation of the new society and expressed that it is hoped that the two societies can work together. EC explained that he is not a member of the new society and as discussed in Zurich which has two goals – to host a meeting and to provide grants/fellowships. EC explained that the committee have to discuss how we can work with this society and not to compete. There are not many neurourologists and so its important to promote the subject area. HM explained that they are non-profit scientific society with headquarters in Zurich, in association with the Swiss Continance Society. The focus is neurourology and is meant to be complimentary to other international societies. We want to improve neurourologic care through education in the format of scholarships, workshops and promotion and information for the public. We are open to any collaboration to improve the overall situation.

MH felt that the new society was an excellent idea but questioned whether the meetings would be joint at other meetings? HM explained that they want them to be separate but that they are open to be invited to take part. They currently have 59 members.

AW the ICS are keen on scholarly output and research. AW expressed that it would have been good to have the NUU as the journal of the new society which is a shame. HM responded that INUS has not yet contacted any journal. The existing journal of Neurourology has nothing to do with INUS, is published in South Korea and has no connection with us whatsoever. Of course we plan to use NUU as our journal.” AW continued, it remains to the ICS Neurourology committee to work with the society and we can all benefit from increased work and output. The Board would like to see

the Neurourology committee as a shrewd productive group with a formal budget to do something like a consensus statement which the Board would be happy to fund. The ball is the committees' court.

EC perhaps we can alternate meetings and combine due to sponsorship. HM explained the next Zurich meeting will be 2017.

JP we all want to improve the visibility of neurourology and this is a step forward but the concerns are the overlap and patient information. HM we have to increase awareness in the elderly that help is possible and available if they go to the specialist. It differs from continent to continent

LL entered

EC you all agree to drive activities under the ICS umbrella. ICS will provide support within Europe. CD explained that the Board wants to invest not only courses but elearning but with results.

3. Approval of Rio and Zurich meeting minutes

Approved

4. JP request for Neurogenic Bladder Course, London, 2016

JP explained that in 2014 in London they ran a very successful meeting with the ICS for those with an interest in neurourology and it ended up being very multidisciplinary. Feedback was that we should have meeting every 2 years. The office was there and there was good promotion of the ICS. JP explained that next year would be a similar model with a view to hold Autumn 2016. EC felt that this is good idea and questioned what funding he would need? JP explained that the ICS brought speakers and would want 5 speakers with travel. AB explained the education committee application process and therefore it could come from the education committee budget rather than from Neurourology committee. MH asked who selects speaker. AB explained that normally its an open discussion between ICS and organiser.

ACTION POINT: ICS Office to send JP education course application to take forward October 2016 application.

5. WA request – animal lab and live transmission of surgery

WA explained his request for a course he is organising and that this request has no financial obligations for the ICS. WA proposed 2 residents to come and join the course but they need applicants. AB explained the ICS recognition programme and it was agreed that this fitted the template. Unable to restrict applications from certain countries so suggested a fixed stipend to cover travel.

ACTION POINT: ICS Off to send ICS recognition application to WA.

6. Neurourology Mailing List

EC wanted each of the committee members need to collect the names of the neurourology leaders in order to help promote the committee activities

ACTION POINT: ICS Office to prepare known contacts from ICS database and then ask committee members for additional contacts to create mailing list to promote neuro activities.

7. Guidelines of pelvic neuromodulation – MH

MH explained that there are no guidelines for pelvic neuromodulation. There are different mechanisms to do the placement even from within Canada. MH felt that the only way to get guidelines is to do this through the ICS. MH presented his proposal – *see attached to minutes*. MH continued, to prepare these guidelines is a big endeavor and he proposed a small committee to have a good review of literature. All implanters should get a questionnaire about the minimum requirements.

EC explained that Jacques Corcos just did the AUS meeting funded by AMS and he is preparing the paper with 2 or 3 fellows and then several of colleagues involved in the actual meeting who had a very specific topic to discuss. It was a good process. The meeting was in Chicago and then they are to re-write the paper and then its ready for publishing. EC felt that they could ask Medtronic for funding to the ICS as it's a good strong proposal.

MA commented that it's a straight forward initiative but there are some areas without evidence i.e. antibiotics. JP commented that its an excellent idea and there are so many ways its being done so its needed. There are people who are not working in neurourology so the field needs to be opened. EF commented that maybe guidelines is maybe not correct but maybe consensus better. EC agreed and suggested to see what Jacques calls his paper. EC felt the next step would be to call for volunteers to get draft ready and then approach Medtronic to get grant. EC explained that AMS gave USD 25000 for the AUS conference.

ACTION POINT: ICS Office to set up subcommittee to create forum for first draft to guidelines pelvic neuro. To include MH, WA, JC, MA, LL & DM

8. Literature review process: to be discussed for draft decision, surgery and MS, LUTS and medical therapies in BPH, MS and antimuscarinics, BTX A and MS.

MA explained that dementia paper has been circulated and have had feedback. The number of references has been increased and its ready to be published.

ACTION POINT: Dementia paper: MA to ensure all names are listed and ICS name is also listed on paper for publication

JP explained that a draft of the systematic review re parkinsons has been registered with Prospero. The next step is more discussion before being circulated again and that by the 1 November the paper will be available for circulation.

ACTION POINT: JP to circulate the parkinsons paper to the group by 1 November

EC plans to prepare the MS paper by December. All sub topics need to be ready by end of 2015.

EC explained that the new members of the committee will be involved in the Surgical Atlas.

EC discussed video teaching and that the neurourology committee can prepare elearning. CK explained that his course was recorded. The educational modules that the urodynamics committee have been producing were discussed. JP suggested a workshop at next ICS. EC agreed this was good idea. JP also suggested that the courses outside of annual meeting can be recorded.

ACTION POINT: EC to prepare a basic neurourology workshop application for ICS 2016 on behalf of the committee and request that its filmed for elearning purposes.

9. Terms of office

EC explained that he wanted to have 15 people as after 2016 AGM will be left with 11 including chair. WA asked about entry level requirements. AB explained that its to be left open as expressions of interest, otherwise committee needs to change terms of reference and that the committee will have a scoring system to review the applications. It was agreed to then have a teleconference to discuss applications after the scoring to discuss specific experience of the applicants. It was noted that a nurse was required on the committee and therefore it was agreed to call for nurses with specific interest and CV for Neurourology to join the committee. The office will advertise the call for expressions.

ACTION POINT: Call for expressions of interest to fill 4 positions on committee and call specifically for a nurse and a colorectal representative.

ACTION POINT: ICS Office to contact Thomas Kessler and find out if he wants to renew. If not increase call for expressions to 5.

Post Script: Thomas Kessler confirmed he is happy to renew his position for 3 years.

ACTION POINT: ICS Office to update website with new members and then office to circulate new emails to whole committee.

Meeting End