



CLINICAL DIVISION OF IUPHAR

Council Meeting

Monday, July 14th 2014

17:00 – 19:00

Capetown Conference Center, Meeting room 1.72

Present: Darrell Abernethy, Don Birkett, Kim Brøsen, Marja-Liisa Dahl, Milou Drici, Lars Gustafsson, Kalle Hoppu, David LeCouteur, Wim du Plooy, Hyung-Keun Roh, Patrick du Souich, Petra Thürmann, Hiroshi Watanabe, David Webb, Wei Wei

1. Adoption of the agenda

The agenda was adopted by acclamation. A short round of introductions was held.

2. Chairman's report (Don Birkett)

An overview on the activities of the Clinical Division has been distributed via email before the meeting.

As one major achievement the Booklet on Clinical Pharmacology together with CIOMS and WHO has been published. It can be downloaded from the WHO-website, some hard copies are available on request. A formal process has been established for national societies requesting translation of the booklet. So far the booklet has been translated into Korean, other translations e.g. Japanese, Russian, Ukrainian, Spanish and French have been proposed and are pending. It was discussed how the visibility of the manifesto can be increased and how feedback can be obtained. The manifesto has also been published in BCPT and short commentaries were published in other journals. It was decided that a feedback from those societies should be asked for about one year after translation into the national language.

The work of the three editors, namely Don, Folke and Michael, as well as the continuous support from Lembit Rago and Gunilla Sjölin-Forsberg were honorably mentioned.

Don delivered an overview of representation of the Clinical Division at the Executive Committee of IUPHAR during the last 12 years. Since 2002 4 members of the Clinical Division were ex officio members of the Executive Committee of IUPHAR (and not elected at the IUPHAR General Assembly). These were usually the Chair of the Clinical Division, the Vice-Chair, secretary and treasurer. However, this was only by mutual agreement with the IUPHAR presidents (Sue, Patrick and now Sam) and thereby informal. Equal balance was claimed by the Clinical Division but could not be accomplished. At the next meeting of the Executive Committee this status will be minuted and submitted as changes of statutes to the next general Assembly (in Kyoto).

This discussion was continued after presentation of the results of the survey after WCP 2010 in Copenhagen (see attachment). It was acknowledged that basic and clinical pharmacologists both appreciated a combined conference. However, the Clinical Division lost the only source of income, namely surplus from conferences which is insufficiently compensated by the 5.000 USD paid annually from IUPHAR to the Clinical Division. During the course of the discussion several ideas on regional conferences, co-sponsoring at EACPT-conferences etc. were raised. Particularly the concept of regional conferences was not successful until now. The Clinical Division has sponsored symposia at EACPT. In contrast, such a co-operation was not welcome by ASCPT. It was suggested to perform a similar survey after the Capetown conference. This will be helpful for future decisions about meetings, although the results will be biased. It was also suggested if e.g. BPS and some other societies could ask their members why they did NOT attend. It was also emphasized that the Clinical Division should take care to strengthen Clinical Pharmacology content in the 2018 WCP.

The representation at the WHO with an NGO status is of great importance for IUPHAR and the Clinical Division. The activities of the new WHO liaison group consisting of Kalle, Marja-Liisa and Simon Maxwell will provide for the basis of this status.

Petra is the IUPHAR representative at CIOMS <http://www.cioms.ch/> and was elected as a member of the CIOMS executive committee. Currently CIOMS is working in the field of bioethics, standards of meta-analyses, standardised MedDRA queries (pharmacovigilance). Suggestions from the Clinical Division for new activities are welcome. Petra suggested a standardisation of terms for medication errors and adverse drug-related events broadening the definition of adverse drug reactions. Lars suggested e-prescribing tools as an issue for international harmonisation.

Darrell explained the role and activities of CODATA/VAMAS and his involvement regarding nanomaterials.

Don summarises the previous activities with FIP <https://www.fip.org/>, the international organisation of pharmacists and his contribution to a conference in Melbourne (note of the past-secretary: the 2015 conference is in Düsseldorf, Germany).

He also explains the importance of the relationship with ICSU <http://www.icsu.org/about-icsu/about-us> where IUPHAR is a member and has received grants for several activities.

Petra has been nominated by EACPT to become liaison person to IUPHAR.

3. Secretary's report (Petra A. Thürmann)

Was included in Chairman's report.

4. Treasurer's report (presented by Petra Thürmann for Maria Isabel Lucena, who could not attend)

The treasurer's report which had been distributed before the meeting was delivered and acknowledged.

5. Reports from existing and future Sub-Committees and Sections

- **Clinical Pharmacology in less developed countries (Lars Gustafsson)**

His activity report had been distributed before and Lars reports on several activities and 2 meetings/workshops in Capetown.

- **Geriatric Clinical Pharmacology (David LeCouteur)**

David Le Couteur reports on the symposia organised at different meetings of this sub-committee at the EACPT Congress in Budapest, at the ISPE-meeting in Munich and now in Capetown. Sarah Hilmer shall become his successor as chairperson of this sub-committee.

- **Suggestion for a new sub-committee Pharmacoepidemiology and Pharmacovigilance (proposal by Milou Drici)**

Milou Drici introduces himself and has been suggested by the officers to promote this new sub-committee. Milou gives a short presentation and emphasizes his willingness to promote this relevant subject in the name of the Clinical Division.

- **Section of Paediatric Clinical Pharmacology (Kalle Hoppu)**

Within their EU-funded project a training programs for pediatric Clinical Pharmacology was established and can be presented as a “roadshow”. He also offers contribution to e-learning packages. Greg Kearns will be the new chairperson of this Section.

- **Pharmacogenetics (Ingolf Cascorbi)**

The report had been submitted, Ingolf was not present. Guilherme Suarez-Kurtz will be the new chairman of this section.

6. Elections

Suggestions for elections



2010-2014

- Chairman: Don Birkett
- Vice-Chairman: Darrell Abernethy
- Secretary: Petra Thürmann
- Treasurer: Maribel Lucena
- Past Chairman: Patrick DuSouich

2014-2018

- **Chairman: Darrell Abernethy**
- **Vice-Chairman: David Webb**
- **Secretary: David LeCouteur**
- Treasurer: Maribel Lucena
- Past Chairman: Don Birkett

The proposal to nominate Darrell Abernethy as new chairman, David Webb as vice-chairman and David LeCouteur as secretary of the Division was unanimously accepted. María Isabel Lucena, from Spain, has served as treasurer since 4 years and accepts for another 4-years term.

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- Guilherme Suarez-Kurtz
- Mahmoud Khayyal
- Hiroshi Watanabe
- Wei Wei
- Gilberto Castañeda-Hernández
- Wim du Plooy
- Hyung-Keun Roh
- Guilherme Suarez-Kurtz
- Mahmoud Khayyal
- Hiroshi Watanabe
- Wei Wei
- Madlen Gazarian
- Nilima Kshirsagar
- Milou Drici
- Kim Brosen
- Jae Gook Shin
- Gary Maartens

The slot of nominees proposed for members of the Council is unanimously endorsed. Don expresses his plaudits to all the active councilors, sub-committee chairs, Folke, Michael and Lembit Rago for their continuous support despite other obligations.

7. Any other business

The meeting was adjourned at 19:00

Petra Thürmann