



European Society of Urogenital Radiology Newsletter

Autumn & Winter 2006

Dear friends,

The ESUR had its annual symposium in Cairo, September 8-11, 2006. The meeting was very successful in every respect and well appreciated by 270 participants from all over the world. We are most grateful to Tarek El Diasty and his team for organising a most enjoyable meeting both scientifically and socially. Congratulations and thank you Tarek!

The winners of the ESUR Awards in Cairo are listed below. Congratulations to all of them and well done! All award winners are offered free attendance at the ESUR symposium in Munich 2008.

Award winners of the Members' Session

1. HC. Thoeny et al. (CH). Functional evaluation of transplanted kidneys by blood oxygenation level dependant imaging: a comparative study to healthy volunteers.
2. D. Senneville, N. Grenier et.al. (Fr). Automatic kidney tracking for MR glomerular filtration analysis.

3. JJ. Futterer et al. (NL). Dynamic contrast-enhanced MR and proton MR-spectroscopic imaging in localizing prostate cancer.

Young Radiologists' Award

1. T. Scheenen et al. (NL). An international multi-centre assessment of prostate MR-spectroscopy.
2. A. Anthopoulou et.al. (Gr). What is the clinical importance of reflux missed on fluoroscopic voiding cystourethrography and demonstrated only by contrast-enhanced voiding urosonography?

ESUR Poster Award

1. SY Park et al. (Korea). Fitz-Hugh-Curtis syndrome: incidence and laboratory change and radiologic findings
2. AL Valentini et al. (I). Functional imaging of the kidney: CT findings.
3. Y. Lee et al. (Korea/Seoul). Non-tumorous conditions of ovary and

adnexa, mimicking malignancy on MR imaging.

ESUR Symposium 2007

ESUR 2007 (April 15 – 20, 2007) will be held in Bonita Springs (Hyatt Regency Coconut Point) on the west coast of Florida in conjunction with the Society of Uroradiology (SUR) and the Society of Gastrointestinal Radiologists (SGR). The scientific programme has been finalised and available on the website of the ESUR and SUR. Registration has already begun and will be solely online.

ESUR members-in-training are advised to register as SUR members-in-training to avoid registration fees. This applies only for trainees!!

Deadline for Abstract submission was on Oct. 31, 2006. Notification will be sent in mid December 2006.

An evening reception for all delegates will be on Sunday 15 of April 07. The course dinner will be on Wednesday evening, 18 April 07. An interesting social programme will be available including golf and tennis tournaments as well as 5 km jogging every morning at 05:45 for the fit fanatics!!

The ESUR is most grateful to Professor R. Cohan and his team for the exceptional work they have done in putting together a very impressive scientific and social programme. Hope to see many of you in this meeting.

Please note that the nearest airport to Bonita springs is Ft. Meyers.

For further information please visit the ESUR website (www.esur.org). A link from the ESUR website to the SUR site is also available.

Future ESUR Symposia

The General Assembly of the ESUR met in Cairo on 9/9/06 and approved the following venues for future symposia till 2010

ESUR Symposium 2008

Ullrich and Ulrike Müller-Lisse are the local organizers of this meeting which will be held in Munich e ESUR from Sept. 11-14, 2008. Main topic will be “Imaging of the prostate and lower urinary tract”.

The ESUR board agreed on having the symposium as a joint meeting with AG Uroradiology, a subgroup of DRG: This would provide the meeting with CME accreditation through the DRG and ensure strong local participation.

U. Müller-Lisse has already established a website www.esur2008.org which has been linked to the ESUR website.

ESUR Symposium 2009

George Malahias from Greece has been appointed as the local organiser of this meeting which will be held in Athenes in September 2009.

ESUR Symposiums 2010

This meeting will be held in Bruges, Belgium and the local organiser will be Raymond Oyen. This symposium will be a combined meeting with the SUR.

The 2011 symposium is most likely will be held in Croatia subject to the approval of GA in 2008. Boris Brkljacic will be the local organiser of this meeting.

ESUR Website

The history of the ESUR is now available on the website of the society. We are most grateful to J. Webb and L. Derchi who put together this addition to the website.

Names and photographs of all past-presidents of the society and local organizers of ESUR symposia will be added in due course.

The board is currently exploring how to expand the function of the website to include education sites and members' area for exchanging information or discussing topical issues and difficult cases.

General Assembly 2006

The meeting was attended by about 60 members and fellows. The nomination for the new board members and the financial report has been approved. The new board of the ESUR for the next two years will consist of Prof. Sam Morcos (England) as President, Prof. Bernd Hamm (Germany) as President-Elect, Prof. Heinz-Peer

(Austria) as Secretary/Treasurer, Prof. Lorenzo Derchi (Italy) as Past President and Prof. Jarl A. Jacobsen as Member-At-Large.

Prof. Derchi on behalf of the board thanked Prof. Barentsz and Prof. Magnusson who will be leaving the board for all the services they have offered the society over the years with great excellence and dedication.

The general assembly unanimously approved the appointment of Prof. G. Lechner, emeritus member and Arnold Stipsits, ESR Liaison officer and ESUR administrator as the Society's auditors.

The composition of the different committees of the society for the next 2 years will be as follow:

Membership Committee 2006-2008

Gertraud Heinz-Peer, Chairman (A)
Sam Morcos (GB)
Lorenzo Derchi (I)
Olivier Helenon (F)
Jarl Jacobsen (N)

Rules Committee 2006-2008

Henrik S. Thomsen, Chairman (DK)
Gertraud Heinz-Peer (A)
Fulvio Stacul (I)
Marie-France Bellin (F)

Contrast Media Safety Committee 2006-2008

Henrik S. Thomsen, Chairman (DK)
Sam Morcos, Secretary (GB)

Torsten Almen (S)
Peter Aspelin (S)
Per Liss (S)
Marie-France Bellin (F)
Raymond Oyen (B)
Jarl A. Jacobsen (N)
Aart van der Molen (NL)
Fulvio Stacul (I)
Judith A Webb (GB)
Gertraud Heinz-Peer (A)
Andrea Löwe (D) – Schering
Hugo Flaten (N) – GE
Alberto Spinazzi (I) – Bracco
Jean Marc Idée (F) – Guerbet
Edwin T. den Barber (NL) - Tyco

**Female pelvic imaging subcommittee
2006-2008**

Karen Kinkel-Trugli, Chairman (CH)
Jelle Barentsz (NL)
Bernd Hamm (D)
Rosemarie Forstner (A)
Antonina Bergman (S)
Corinne Balleygueir (F)
Teresa Cunha (P)
Rania F. El-Sayed (EG)
John Spencer (GB)

**Two working groups have been created
in the last two years:**

Paediatric working group:

Michael Riccabona has set up this working group which is engaged in producing guidelines on different aspects of

paediatric uro-radiology. These guidelines are under consideration for publication in European Radiology.

CTU-group:

Aart van der Molen and Nigel Cowan gathered a group of experts in the field of CTU to produce guidelines on this new technique. The group is currently finalising the guidelines.

**Reports of the different ESUR
subcommittees to the GA**

CMSC: Prof. Morcos highlighted that the committee has now existed over 10 years and produced 18 guidelines on contrast media. All the main pharmaceutical companies are represented including Tyco which has joined the committee recently. The produced guidelines are used worldwide and have been translated into several languages including Russian, Japanese, and Chinese. Currently, the committee is producing version 6.0 of the guidelines booklet and working on the following projects:

- A standard questionnaire before contrast administration.
- Developing a software for keeping records on the usage of contrast media and incidence of reactions.
- Nephrogenic systemic fibrosis (NSF). Recently a major concern has been raised about a causal relation between Gd based

extracellular contrast media and NSF. This issue will be discussed in details in the next meeting of the committee and some guidelines on this topic will be issued. [NB: The CMSC met in Copenhagen on November 3-5, 2006 and has produced a document on NSF. This will be distributed to all ESUR fellows and members as well as to national radiological societies, and international societies of dermatology, rheumatology, and nephrology. A “hotline” email account has been established by the ESUR secretary” NSF@esur.org” to receive information about new cases of NSF].

Female pelvic imaging subcommittee:

Rosemarie Forstner, on behalf of Karen Kinkel-Trugli, the chairperson of this subcommittee, presented the report. The subcommittee is currently working on producing guidelines for MRI of cervical and endometrial cancer as well as characterization of ovarian masses.

Membership fees

It was agreed at GA that the current membership fees should not be changed, as the financial situation of the society remains healthy. This issue will be reviewed at the next GA of 2008.

Please note that the invoice of the membership fees for 2007 and 2008 will be sent early in January 2007.

Scientific collaboration with other professional societies

Professor Morcos is exploring establishing an academic collaboration with the European Association of Urologists (EAU). The board is unanimously supporting this initiative.

The collaboration between ESUR and ISN, the Japanese Society of Abdominal Radiology, Spanish Society of Radiology and the European Society of Magnetic Resonance imaging is working well.

My best wishes and many thanks for reading the newsletter.

Yours sincerely,

Prof. Gertraud Heinz-Peer
Secretary/Treasurer ESUR
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