



European Society of Urogenital Radiology Newsletter

Autumn & Winter 2008

Dear Colleagues,

This newsletter has been written after the ESUR symposium in Munich, Germany. The Society also had its general assembly in Munich. The symposium was very successful and well appreciated by over 250 participants from a wide range of countries in Europe and beyond.

We are most grateful to Ullrich and Ulrike Müller-Lisse and their local organizing committee for producing a most enjoyable meeting both scientifically and socially. Congratulations and thank you Ullrich and Ulrike. Well done!!

The winners of the ESUR Awards in Munich are listed below. Congratulations to all of them. All award winners are offered free attendance at the ESUR symposium in Athens 2009.

Members' Session Award winner

C. Triantopoulou et al. (GR). Renal lesions associated with autoimmune pancreatitis

Honourable Mention Members' Session

U.G. Mueller-Lisse et al. (GER). Prediction of subsequent biopsy results after negative prostate biopsy: comparison of DRE, PSA, and MRI and MR spectroscopy of the prostate

Young Radiologists' Session Award Winner

M. Regier et al. (GER). Excretory MR-urography at 1.5 and 3 Tesla: Comparison with MDCT-urography

Honourable Mention Young Radiologists' Session

D. Yakar et al. (NL). 3 Tesla MR Guided Biopsy to Detect Prostate Cancer Recurrence following Radiotherapy

Poster Session Award Winner

M. Duarte et al. (PT). Imagiological features of gynaecologic pathology in women with acute pelvic pain.

Honourable Mention Poster Session

S. Ghattamaneni et al. (UK). Fallopian tubal diseases: discriminant morphologic characteristics and manifestations on MR imaging

Here is a summary of the different issues discussed in the Board meeting and general assembly in Munich.

Future Symposiums of the Society

ESUR Symposium 2009

ESUR 2009 under the local chairmanship of Georgios Malachias will be in **Athens** at the Royal Olympic Hotel on **Sept. 9 – 13, 2009**.

The main topic will be “**Urogenital manifestation of systemic diseases**”

Georgios Malachias the chairman of the local organizing committee presented the preliminary programme which is now available on the ESUR website. G. Malachias is expecting a great local attendance of Greek radiologists besides the attendance of ESUR members.

ESUR Symposium 2010

ESUR 2010 is allocated to **Bruges, Belgium** under the local chairmanship of Raymond Oyen. The meeting is scheduled on **September 9-12, 2010**. The main topic will be “Image guided therapy of the Urogenital system”.

Originally, the meeting was planned to be a combined meeting with SUR.

Unfortunately the date is in conflict with the Jewish holiday Yom Kippur. Since the venue has already been booked, it was extremely difficult to find an alternative date and location. Therefore it has been decided to move the combined SUR/ESUR meeting to 2011 in Croatia. In future the head office of ESUR will ensure that dates of future ESUR symposia do not clash with important religious holidays.

For Jewish colleagues attending the Bruges meeting, the nearest synagogue is about 20 km from Bruges, address is:

Ostend Synagogue

Filip van Maastrichplein 3

Oostende

Tel. : 32-59-80-24-05

Rabbi Armand ben-Izri: benizri@swing.be

Future ESUR Symposia

The General Assembly of the ESUR met in Munich on September 11, 2008 and approved the following venues for future symposia till 2012

ESUR Symposium 2011

Boris Brkljacic will be the local organizer of this meeting which will be held in Dubrovnik or Cavtat (15 km south of Dubrovnik), Croatia. This ESUR symposium will be a combined meeting with SUR. The exact dates will be fixed during the next Board meeting in Vienna.

ESUR Symposium 2012

The General Assembly also unanimously agreed to have the 2012 meeting in Lisbon, Portugal under the chairmanship of Teresa Cunha assisted by Luisa Lobos.

ESUR Symposium 2013 and further

Possible venues for the ESUR 2013 meeting are Scotland (Edinburgh) under the local chairmanship of Sami Moussa and for the ESUR 2014 meeting Hungary, hosted by Andras Vargha. Also, Karen Kinkel from Switzerland offered to host an ESUR meeting in future.

“Guidelines for the ESUR symposium organizers” have been uploaded on our homepage.

ESUR Website

ESUR website is continuously updated by A. Stipsits.

Continuous evaluation of the ESUR website visitor statistics has shown good

results. The top three ESUR web pages are “Guidelines” (by far), followed by “NSF” and “ESUR 2008”.

General Assembly 2008

The meeting was attended by 53 ESUR members and fellows. The nomination for the new board members was unanimously approved by the GA. The new board of the ESUR for the next two years will consist of **Professor Bernd Hamm** (Germany) as President, **Professor Gertraud Heinz-Peer** (Austria) as President-Elect, **Professor Sam Morcos** (UK) as Past-President, **Dr. Vibeke Logager** (Denmark) as Secretary-Treasurer, and **Professor Marie-France Bellin** (France) as Member-At-Large.

Prof. Morcos on behalf of the board thanked Prof. Jarl. A. Jacobsen (Norway) and Prof. Lorenzo Derchi (Italy) who have finished their terms in the board for the services they have offered the society over the years with great excellence and dedication.

The GA also unanimously agreed on the suggestion of Prof. S. Morcos to continue the current composition of the Membership- and Rules Committee according to the Bylaws which state that a term of 4 years for members of these subcommittees is possible. Thus, the composition of these committees of the

society for the next 2 years will be as follows:

Membership Committee 2008-2010

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

Membership Committee 2008-2010

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

G. Heinz-Peer presented the **financial report** and the **membership update** to the GA which showed a healthy financial position of the society and a steady increase in the membership. The report was unanimously approved by the GA.

Membership fees

It was agreed that the current membership fees should not be changed, as the financial situation of the Society remains healthy. The society will also continue to offer reduced fee to trainees and to radiologists with limited income (membership fee for 2 years : €50 for people with limited income and €75 for trainees). The amount

of the fee will be reconsidered in the next general assembly of 2010.

New members' gifts

The scarves for the ESUR female members are used up. The ESUR Board decided to replace scarves by USB sticks (2 to 5 GB) with the ESUR logo as the present for new members.

For those ESUR members who wish to acquire a new ESUR tie or USB stick these are available through the ESUR secretariat at the cost of €20 per piece.

Honorary Membership

The ESUR board unanimously approved to offer Professor Richard Cohan (University Ann Arbor Michigan, US) an Honorary Membership in recognition of his excellent contribution to the educational activities of the society and hard work in consolidating the relationship between the SUR and ESUR.

ESUR Subcommittees and working groups

1. Contrast Media Safety Committee Report (Prof. H. Thomsen)

H. Thomsen reported on the success of the guidelines produced by the committee which have been translated into Japanese, Chinese, Russian and recently into Greek by G. Malachias.

S. Morcos thanked him and the Society is looking forward to the new version 7.0 set to be printed and distributed in the near future.

2. Female Imaging Subcommittee Report (Dr. R. Forstner)

R. Forstner presented the female imaging group report on behalf of K. Kinkel who could not attend the GA. S. Morcos thanked her for the hard work and excellent results of the group. The guidelines of this subcommittee will be made available on the Society's website.

3. Paediatric Subgroup Report (Prof. M. Riccabona)

M. Riccabona reported the work of this group which produced excellent guidelines on paediatric urology that can be downloaded from the Society's website.

S. Morcos thanked the group for keeping up the good work which is an important asset to the society.

Working group on Prostate cancer

The general assembly unanimously agreed on the initiation of a new ESUR working group on "Prostate cancer" under the chairmanship of Jelle Barentsz.

Many thanks for reading the ESUR Newsletter.

Auditors report

A. Stipsits presented the auditors report which was satisfactory. The GA agreed that the ESUR auditors from 2006 – 2008 Professor G. Lechner and A. Stipsits should continue for the next two years. ,

Scientific collaboration with other professional societies

The ESUR Board is very grateful to Professor Chris Chapple of the EAU (European Association of Urology) board for his excellent contribution to the scientific programme of the Munich meeting. In a meeting between the ESUR Board and Chris Chapple it was agreed to further enhance the collaboration of the two organisations and establishing a link between the ESUR website and the EAU website. Additionally, close cooperation in producing evidence based guidelines on imaging the urinary tract in different clinical conditions will be established.

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.

Yours sincerely,

Prof. Gertraud Heinz-Peer

Secretary/Treasurer ESUR

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