

Nordic Kidney Group
Second annual meeting
18-Nov-2004, 10.00 am at Malmö Börshus

Present:

Nordic transplantation/nephrologic departments:

Magnús Bødvarsson	- Landspítali
James Heaf	- Amtssygehuset i Herlev
Lauri Kyllönen	- Helsingin Yliopistollinen Keskussairaala
Lars Mjörnstedt	- Sahlgrenska Universitetssjukhuset
Nils H. Persson	- Universitetssjukhuset MAS
Anna Varberg Reisæter	- Rikshospitalet
Niels Rohr	- Odense Universitetshospital
Søren Schwartz Sørensen	- Rigshospitalet

Nordic uremic registries:

Páll Asmundson	- Íslandske uræmiregister
Torbjørn Leivestad	- Norsk Nefrologiregister
Hans Løkkegaard	- Dansk Uremi register
Staffan Schön	- Svenskt Register för Aktiv Uremivård

Scandiatransplant:

[Arnt Jakobsen](#)
[Frank Pedersen](#)

Absent:

Niels Grunnet	- Scandiatransplant
Melvin Madsen	- Skejby Sygehus
Gunnar Tufveson	- Akademiska sjukhuset
Gunnar Tydén	- Karolinska Universitetssjukhuset

- I. Meeting called to order at 10.00 am by Nils H. Persson.
. Minutes from last meeting approved.
Further matters to the agenda;
- The quality of a payback organ will be discussed
 - The participants opinion on Bretschneiders solution.

II. **SINCE LAST MEETING**

A. Chairman Group.

No activity

B. Code Group.

No activity.

C. The Scandinavian Transplant Society – XXII Congress, Århus.

NKG was offered a session of their own, but decided to team up with NPRTSG (Nordic Paediatric Renal Transplantation Study Group)

- NKG wish to thank Søren Swartz Sørensen for his effort

D. Upcoming publications.

American Transplant Congress 2005 meeting at the Washington State Convention and Trade Center, Seattle, WA, May 21 - 25, 2005.

Abstract Confirmation Number: 135

Abstract Title: "70+ KIDNEY DONORS - ACCEPTABLE LONG TERM GRAFT SURVIVAL."

Session: "Issues of Expanded Criteria Kidney Donation"

Date: Monday, 5/23/2005

Time: 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM

Publication Number: 942

Presentation Time: 3:00 PM

Location: Room 6E"

Was presented by Nils H. Persson.

The group accepted the publication, with the following comments.

- Data should be censored in poster and abstract.
- Use tables in stead of curves.
- Scandiatransplant not to be credited.

III. DECISIONS

A. Articles of association for NKG (Nordic Kidney Group).

The decisions on Constitution and Publication rules made in Herlev will be rewritten into a separate document, to be presented at the next meeting as the future Articles of association.

With the addendum, that Island now also is a full member of the Chairman group.

B. Election of leader and leader group for NKG.

Lauri Kyllönen (FI) – Chairman

Torbjørn Leivestad (NO) – Data responsible

Lars Mjörnstedt (SE)

James Heaf (DK)

No name on person yet (IS)

C. Codes in Scandiatransplant.

Mapping on EDTA<->ICD-10 has been tried in different European centres with different conclusions. For now there are no conclusive European mapping on the codes.

- The “Code group” continues, with the participation of Páll Asmundson, Hans Løkkegaard, Torbjørn Leivestad, Lauri Kyllönen and Staffan Schön.
- Scandiatransplant will implement the ICD-10 code subset in the database alongside EDTA for optional entering.

D. Living Donor Registry.

An elaborate discussion on – have the right persons been heard -who is to report - should it be paper or electronics - should it be own or central database.

However:

- Guidelines from the European Council state that Follow up on Living Donor donation must be offered.
- It has been decided at the Scandiatransplant board of representatives, to use the new registry hosted by Scandiatransplant beginning 1-jan-2005.

Therefore:

- A paper on Why- How- and How often is the Living Donor Registry to be used will be written by Søren Swartz Sørensen, and presented to Lauri Kyllönen and Arnt Jakobsen before circulation.
- Scandiatransplant will create a User Manual for the new database.

E. Registration and handling of anonymous and foreign donors.

- The term Anonymous Donor will be replaced by the term Non Directed Donor.
- Information on foreign donors is only to be entered into Scandiatransplant, if the recipient was on the waiting list prior to transplantation.
- The first cross-over transplantation is on it’s way in Sweden. It should be decided at a later time how to handle those in the database.

F. Yearly evaluation of exchange obligations.

- The receiving party are the ones who decide if a pay-back organ is equal in quality to the exchanged. This statement should be added to “Kriterier for udveksling af nekronyrer i Scandiatransplant samarbejdet 2002”
- Today all exchanged organs are shown in the same statistic in Scandiatransplant. It should be possible to distinct between Exchange-Payback- and Free-kidneys as well.
- On priority 3 there still are exchange obligation even if the recipient has previous mismatch with the donor-organ.

G. Publications.

- An annual report consisting of the slides presented at STS2004 shall be put on www.scandiatransplant.org
- Annual report should aim at the same lay-out each year.
- Minutes from the meetings will also be assessable on the web
- Own center statistics can be requested trough Torbjørn Leivestad

H. Updating of Scandiatransplant

The Board:

- MultiOrganDonor definition; More than one vascularised organ harvested
- A kidney is to be counted as transplanted when blood circulation has been re-established.
- An IT-strategy is on its way, people are welcome to contribute with suggestions.

SCTP-IT:

- Pancreatic Islets has been introduced to the database as a new treatment; a general discussion on how to handle previous mismatch accumulated on those transplantation should be initiated.
- Oslo, Göteborg and Helsinki all expressed the present or future need for an interface between their local systems and Scandiatransplant.
- It is possible to access the Living Donor Registry alone.
- Only own country data can be seen in the Living Donor Registry.

IV. ONGOING ACTIVITIES

A. The participants opinion on Bretschneiders solution.

NKG is not the right forum on discussions of perfusion solutions.

- Niels H. Persson will approach the board, see if accreditation of perfusion solutions is a matter for Scandiatransplant at all.

B. The Scandinavian Transplant Society – XXIII Congress, Göteborg.

- A panel session hosted by NKG should be considered.
- Closer relations with NPRTSG (Gunnar Tydén) should be established.

V. NEXT MEETING

Oslo will be hosting the next meeting preferably at Oslo Lufthavn on November 24 2005.

Respectfully submitted,

Frank Pedersen, Scandiatransplant