



Minutes 43rd SHLG meeting

HILTON HELSINKI KALASTAJATORPPA HOTEL April 4-5, 2022

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| | <p>MONDAY APRIL 4, 2022, ROOM KELTAINEN SALI</p> <p>Attendees Chair Karl Lemström Lund Hillevi Larsson, Sandra Lindstedt Ingemansson Copenhagen Michael Perch, Malene Johnsen Gothenburg Jesper Magnusson, Petra Vestlund Oslo Arnt Fiane, Tom Hoel, Einar Gude, Kaspar Broch Aarhus Hans Eiskjaer Helsinki Peter Raivio (April 5, 2022), Jyri Lommi, Jussi Tikkanen, Catharina Yesil Tartu Tanel Laisaar Scandiatransplant Office Ilse Duus Weinreich</p> |
| 1 | Formalities and governance |
| 1.1 | Minutes from the November 2021 meeting and the agenda for this meeting were approved. |
| 1.2 | The list of board members and associated members , mailing lists were checked and new board members for Gothenburg and Oslo will be updated before next meeting. |
| 1.3 | <p>Possible future membership for Latvia and Lithuania were generally discussed. The questions sent by working group chair Are Holm for Scandiatransplant (associated) membership of Latvia and Lithuania were also discussed:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How might including the new members affect organ exchange rules as governed by your group? 2. How might the governance of the group be affected (meetings, communication, voting, discussions etc.)? 3. What changes to group bylaws/guidelines would be necessary? 4. Would membership have practical consequences for meeting routines? <p>The group was informed that Lithuania has withdrawn their request for the time being, apparently due to need to clarify their issues with local competent authorities.</p> <p>The concerns concerning the membership were mainly related to communication with fluent English language with transplant coordinators, ICU doctors, cardiologist, and transplant surgeons, and air travelling to donor hospitals. In addition, different health care systems, financial issues, and motivation for the memberships of new members were discussed.</p> <p>There would be a need to some changes in organ exchange rules for rotalist and high urgent patients. In SHLG, Scandiatransplant is divided in six regions for hearts and 5 regions for lungs. Adding more members there would results in more regions.</p> <p>At same point, there would be need to change the bylaws concerning the number of board members and their right to vote in the board meetings. In SHLG, there are 24 board members and some additional associated members appointed by some centres. So far, the number of associated members has not been limited but there might be need to change that also.</p> |
| 2 | Organ Exchange and Transplantation Activity |
| 2.1 | Annual report on heart and lung transplantation |



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| | Ilse Duus Weinreich presented annual report on heart and lung transplantation (enclosed). Input for statistics are welcome. |
| 2.2 | Activity report on urgent calls and rota list. Ilse Duus Weinreich presented annual report on heart and lung transplantation (enclosed). |
| 2.3 | Heart and lung donor rota offer – general rules when to offer? As this issue has been discussed previously and also discussed in Nordic transplantation coordinator group meeting, it was discussed here. It was considered that at the moment there is no need for general rules but there is a need to investigate why some offers are not accepted by any center. Ilse Duus Weinreich will try to sum up data on these offers and present it at the next meeting. Hopefully, this will give a better basis for further discussions. |
| 3 | Clinical activity |
| 3.1 | DCD – Current status at our centers Each center presented their experience in DCD. DCD has been practiced for lungs in Gothenburg, but not in the other centers. Oslo has restarted their DCD program in abdominal organs, Lund has approved DCD for lungs, Helsinki in testing DCD in kidney transplantation. |
| 3.2 | EVLP – Current status at our centers. Each center presented their experience in EVLP. Gothenburg, Lund, and Copenhagen have EVLP program. |
| 3.3 | Induction therapy and PTLD. Oslo has experienced more malignancies in lung transplant patients receiving Thymoglobuline in ScanClad cohort. This has not been noticed in any other centers. Majority of centers use induction therapy in lung transplantation, but Helsinki does not use. |
| 3.4 | Lung Transplant and COVID-ARDS – Current experience. Each center presented their experience in COVID-ARDS lung transplantation. Totally 7 lung transplantation have been performed in SHLG regions: Tartu 1, Lund 1, and Copenhagen 5. In Oslo, there is one patient on the waiting list. |
| | TUESDAY APRIL 5, 2022, ROOM KELTAINEN SALI |
| 4 | Scandiatransplant Registry |
| 4.1 | Status of Scandiatransplant YASWA heart and lung registry? Ilse Duus Weinreich presented the present status of the registry. It was decided that the thorax registry in YASWA needs a revision. For this purpose, a separate workshop will be organized during the summer in Copenhagen to discuss which variables are to be included in the future registry. |
| 5 | Research |
| 5.1 | Research projects were discussed at the end of the meeting. |
| | EVOLVD study |
| | DAPHART study |
| | Scandiatransplant COVID-19 study |
| | ScanCLAD (lung) study |
| | ECP (photopheresis) study |
| | Other studies: Inflammatory heart study, Pulmonary Hypertension study |
| 6 | Next meeting: October 27, 2022 |