Scandiatransplant Pediatric Heart and Lung Group (SPaedHLG) meeting 2022
September 29th, 2022, at 8 am Gothenburg time
Scandic Hotel Rubinen and Zoom

Meeting participants:

Timo Jahnukainen (Helsinki/Finland) – National Key Contact Person 2020-2022
Klaus Juul (Copenhagen/Denmark) - National Key Contact Person 2020-2022
Thomas Möller (Oslo/Norway) - National Key Contact Person 2020-2022
Michal Odermarsky (Lund/Sweden) - National Key Contact Person 2020-2022
Taisto Sarkola (Helsinki/Finland) – SPedHLG Chair 2020-2022
Håkan Wåhlander (Gothenburg/Sweden) - National Key Contact Person 2020-2022
Ilse Duus-Weinreich (Scandiatransplant office)
Tom Hoel (Oslo/Norway)
Maria Hurskainen (Helsinki/Finland)
Lars Idorn (Copenhagen/Denmark)
Karin Tran-Lundmark (Lund/Sweden)

Meeting minutes

1. Host of meeting Håkan Wåhlander opened the meeting at 8 am and Taisto Sarkola kept meeting minutes.
2. Meeting participants were registered as listed above.
3. The agenda for the meeting was approved.
4. The minutes from last meeting (220422) were approved.
5. SPedHLG board
   a. The present SPedHLG National Key Contact Persons listed above were re-elected for 2023-2024.
   b. Håkan Wåhlander was elected SPedHLG Chair 2023.
6. SHLG and Scandiatransplant office information
   a. Annual numbers were provided by Ilse Duus-Weinreich from the Scandiatransplant office and discussed. The information included numbers of listed, urgently listed, transplanted, withdrawn and re-transplanted pediatric Htx over the past years.
Numbers of pediatric lung transplantations, withdrawn and re-transplantations over the past years were also reviewed.

b. It was proposed that review of annual numbers could in the future be provided for age less than 18 years (presently provided for less than 16 years). The presentation could also include numbers for combined organ transplantations as well as transplantations with other organs (including kidney and liver) among among previously transplanted Htx patients. Listing times for Htx and pulmonary transplant patients could also be reviewed.

7. Report from studies within SPedHLG region and other projects in progress.
   a. Heart transplantations in Nordic countries between 1984-2020 registry study – Michal Odermarsky provided a brief overview. The data collection has been leaned and slimmed. Most data is available in the Yaswa database. An excel file of the slimmed variable list will be sent to all centers soon.

8. Suggestions for new joint studies within SPedHLG (15min). Karin Lundmark briefly informed about a survey study within AEPC conducted by Colin McMahon (Dublin) regarding pediatric transplants in the European area. All centers will be contacted soon.

9. Other business meeting questions and proposals.
   a. There was an in-depth discussion on the Lund proposal discussed during the previous (220422) meeting for changes in SHLG organ listing exchange rule wordings. A unanimous consensus was found to approve the proposal with the following wording modifications:
      1. The current rule wording conflicts with current practice as it allows pediatric patients on intermittent (time intervals not specified) inotropic support to be listed as priority 0/urgent call. Currently pediatric (<16y) heart failure patients dependent on continuous inotropic support should only be listed as priority 0/urgent call.
      2. Shorten the 6 months proposal to 3 months long term VAD time as a criterion for 0/urgent call among pediatric patients < 25 kg.
   b. The revised proposal will be sent to all SPedHLG centers as soon as possible for final approval and then sent to Karl Lemström chair of SHLG to be discussed at the SHLG board meeting in October 2022.
   c. A request will also be made to the SHLG chair for all current SPedHLG members to be invited to the SHLG meeting in October 2022.

10. Next meeting will be arranged as Zoom meeting April 21st, 2023, at 3 pm Gothenburg time.

11. Meeting was ended at 9.20 am.