
**SCANDIATRANSPLANT
COUNCIL OF REPRESENTATIVES' MEETING
MAY 9, 2019, AARHUS, DENMARK**



Helsinki:

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Scandiatransplant board:

Bo-Göran Ericzon, Sweden
Finn Gustafsson, Denmark
Arno Nordin, Finland
Morten Hagness, Norway
Runólfur Pálsson, Iceland

Scandiatransplant office:

Kaj Anker Jørgensen
Bo Hedemark Pedersen
Tito Phiri
Torben Grøn Helligsø
Ilse Duus Weinreich

Observers:

Virge Pall, Tartu
Tanel Laisaar, Tartu
Peeter Dmitriev, Tartu
Bengt Gustafsson, Gothenburg
Nicolai Schultz, Copenhagen
Kirsten Muri Boberg, Oslo



1. Welcome

Welcome by Scandiatransplant board member Finn Gustafsson

2. Election of meeting chair, writer of minutes and controllers of minutes

Chair of the meeting: Karin Skov

Writer of minutes: Ilse Duus Weinreich

Controllers of minutes: Torbjörn Lundgren and Johan Nilsson

3. Registration of the present representatives/substitutes/observers

All present at the meeting are listed at the first page of these minutes

4. Approval of minutes' year 2018

http://www.scandiatransplant.org/about-scandiatransplant/scandiatransplant-representatives/Minutes_council_2018_May_2.pdf

No comments, the minutes were approved

5. Chairman's Report

Presented by Bo-Göran Ericzon

There has been a number of board meetings, more than normal due to planning of the jubilee. In autumn 2018 Estonia for the first time took part in the meeting between Scandiatransplant and the competent authorities and to mark this clearly the meeting was held in Tartu, Estonia.

Bo-Göran Ericzon has, as an observer, taken part in meetings in the Council of Europe concerning promotion of organ transplantation.

The Baltic States have some collaboration about health care and they invited Scandiatransplant for a meeting to learn more about the organization. Virge Pall also participated in this meeting to tell about their experience with becoming an associated member of Scandiatransplant.

6. Status on Data Processor Agreements

Presented by Kaj A. Jørgensen

Data processor agreements between each hospital and Scandiatransplant has now been signed, the only one that is lacking is the one with Oslo.

7. Activities/News from Scandiatransplant Office in Aarhus

Presented by Kaj A. Jørgensen

Annual report with statistics from Scandiatransplant is found on the homepage:

<http://www.scandiatransplant.org/resources/annual-report>

Clinical data manager Niels Frank Pedersen has left the Office May 1st, 2019

Furthermore 2018 was the first full year with Tartu, Estonia and with the SAE/SAR reporting tool in YASWA.

8. New Scandiatransplant logo

Presented by Kaj A. Jørgensen

Old logo:



New suggestion:



The suggestion for a the [new Scandiatransplant logo](#) was presented and accepted.

Kaj A. Jørgensen will look into if the stripes in the Estonian flag should/could be displayed evenly.

9. Revision of Research Grant

Presented by Kaj A. Jørgensen

Old text:

The aim of the Scandiatransplant Research Grant is to support initiation of inter-Nordic research projects in relation to Scandiatransplant.

An amount of 450.000 DKK is granted to initiate novel inter-Nordic research projects where at least two Scandinavian countries are participating. The funding can only be given to a specific project once

New suggestions:

The aim of the Scandiatransplant Research Grant is to support initiation of research projects in relation to Scandiatransplant.

An amount of 450.000 DKK is granted to initiate novel research projects in the field of solid organ transplantation performed in Scandiatransplant member hospitals. Projects involving several

member hospitals, preferably from two or more participating countries, will be prioritized. Funding can only be given to a specific project once.

The new suggestions were accepted

10. Revision of Article 8

Presented by Kaj A. Jørgensen

Old text:

The Board's members and their substitutes are appointed by the hospitals of the respective countries.

New suggestion:

The Board's members and their substitutes are appointed by the hospitals of the respective countries through their representatives in the Council of Representatives.

The new suggestion was accepted

11. Election of Board Members and substitutes

Presented by Kaj A. Jørgensen

Chairman:

Bo-Göran Ericzon has served 3 years

- He is willing to continue

Board members:

Finn Gustafsson (DK) has served 6 years.

- Suggestion (DK): Allan Rasmussen as board member/Michael Perch as substitute

Runólfur Pálsson has served 3 years.

- Suggestion (IS): Jóhann Jónsson as board member/Runólfur Pálsson as substitute

Amir Sedigh cannot continue on the Board

- Suggestion (S): Johan Nilsson as board member/?

All suggested candidates were approved

Sweden will return within a month with a name of a substitute

12. Accounts and Budget

Presented by Kaj A. Jørgensen

Kaj presented the account for 2018 and the budget for 2019 and 2020, all the documents were sent to the council prior to the meeting.

The expenses were higher than the income in 2018, with a difference of 457.000 DKK, which means that the assets have gone down.

It was noted that the groups can apply for support to cover travel expenses to enable an expert(s), who is not a member of the group, to participate in the group and give the group relevant information. The decision to accept such an application is made by the Medical Director responsible to the Board.

The board suggested a budget of 6.2 mill DKK for 2020 and the same payment of 2.600 DKK per transplanted patient for 2019.

Budget and payment were approved

13. Report of activities (<http://www.scandiatransplant.org/members>)

This year all groups have made a short written report about their activities prior to the Council meeting, these reports have been distributed to all council members.

It was suggested that reports are always sent out in advance.

It was decided that each group send a small report and makes a short presentation at the Council Meeting of Representative.

14. Research and Travel Grants

Scandiatransplant Research Grant

Primary applicant:	Purpose of study:	Granted:
Geir Mjøen	One-year biopsies in low risk kidney transplant patients – a cross sectional multicenter study	200.000 DKK
Hans Eiskjær	Effect of PCSK9 inhibition on early cardiac allograft vasculopathy in de novo Heart Transplant patients: An OCT sub study to EVOLVD study	330.000 DKK

Scandiatransplant Travel Grant

Primary applicant:	Purpose of travel:	Granted:
Pia Fernberg, Stockholm	Visit Östersund bone bank	25.300 DKK
Ilkka Helanterä, Helsinki	Visit Cleveland clinic	25.000 DKK
Christina Andréasson, Uppsala	Visit Swisstransplant	21.400 DKK
Per Arne Bakkan, Oslo	Visit Vävnadsbanken i Lund	12.331 DKK
Rikke Christensen, Aarhus	Visit Gronningen	25.200 DKK

15. Any Other Business

Finn Gustafsson and Runólfur Pálsson were greatly thanked for their contribution in the Scandiatransplant board.

16. Next meeting

May 6th 2020 in Helsinki held in relation with STS

Minutes are approved by controllers:

Torbjörn Lundgren, May 13th 2019

Johan Nilsson, May 19th 2019

Minutes are respectfully submitted by Ilse D. Weinreich,