

## Nordic Transplant Coordinator Group Meeting Aarhus, May 31th 2024

Minutes:

Participants:

Janika Kuus, Tartu (on-line) Nadine Weidenberg, Uppsala Maria Winding Engmann, Copenhagen (chair) Stella Johansen, Odense Helle Madsen, Aarhus Rikke Christensen, Aarhus (new member instead of Helle) Carola Schauman, Helsinki Catharina Yesil, Helsinki (on-line) Pernilla Händén, Gothenburg Kickan Hansson, Malmö (on-line) Monika Olofsen Storrö, Oslo Kine Anita Lindstrøm, Oslo (new member instead of Ingebjørg) Öystein Jynge, Stockholm Jenny Warheim, Lund (on-line) Margret Björnsdóttir, Iceland (patient coordinator, guest) Aleksandrs Malcevs, Latvia (Transplant surgent, guest) Anne Ørskov, Scandiatransplant

Election of secretary: Helle Madsen

### 1. Last meeting - Minutes

The new kidney ROTA list is up and running. There has been no consideration on how to handle when a center offers two free kidneys. Last time, the center first on the ROTA list accepted and received both kidneys. Maria will write to the Kidney group and ask if they have considered this option.

According to the pancreasgroup, Maria should have send an inquiry to the pancreas group about the possibility of sharing serum on immunized patients waiting for SPK, PAK, single pancreas. A letter will be send now.

#### 2. Round the table

**Aarhus** – 5 coordinators, one new. Started DCD, going very fine.

**Uppsala** – 5 coordinators, doing fine, nothing new.

**Stockholm** – 5 coordinators, 2 on every shift. Going towards 6 coordinators. Considering uncontrolled DCD.

**Oslo** – 7 coordinators. 3 is retiring within the next year; Stein, Ingebjørg, Per Arne. New coordinators are employed and starting in planned order. They have hired a new head of transplant coordinators to bring up the donor rate.

**Gothenburg** – 8 coordinators, one new. Slow start of the year.

**Odense** – 5 coordinators. Used to be 8, very busy. They had the first DCD in DK in November 2023.

**Helsink**i – 6 coordinators (abdomen) Okay donor rate this year so far. DCD until now only RP. NRP will start in fall. Going on training in Stockholm.

Helsinki, Thoracic – 2 coordinators, going towards 3.

Malmö – 5 coordinators, 3 new.

**Lund** – 5 coordinators, soon 6. They have transplanted their first EVLP lung recipient in collaboration with Copenhagen.

**Tartu** – 4 coordinators, few donors this year. no DCD.

**Copenhagen** – 5 coordinators. DCD going fine, 3 in one week. NRP and liver only in Copenhagen so far.

**Scandiatransplant** – new secretary is employed.

**Latvia** – Aleksandrs Malcevs, transplant surgent, consultant. In Latvia only DBD donation. Transplanting liver in collaboration with Karolinska, also transplanting hearts, kidneys.

3. Follow up on workshop held 11th of march in CPH/new functionalities in YASWA If No donation – automatic pop up to consent to donation.

It will be possible to register, for each transplant coordinator, the time for registration in YASWA.

Lab tests - not good in pdf, will be changed.

Organ Form – is, and has for a long time, been available in YASWA. It is new, and therefore difficult to integrate. The donor birthdate is needed. Anne will look into that. We will try to use it from now on.

A long talk about registration of *Consent to donation* – if *search in donor registry* is "yes", but there is no registration, the coordinators wish to be able to write "no registration" instead of "NO" in the tab: Consent to donation. The matter was not fully discussed due to lack of time.

In relation to registration off DCD in YASWA Helle from Aarhus had a question about WIT and fWIT.

WIT = time from extubation until perfusion. Instead WIT should be the time from cardiac arrest until perfusion.

fWIT = time form systolic blood pressure < 50 until perfusion.

The time from extubation until perfusion is agonal time?

Monika will ask Stein from Oslo, since it is he who described it in the first place.

The Bridge - Lungs for life

Project in collaboration with Copenhagen and Lund.

Running from now on until 2026. They hope that more donor lungs are good enough for lung transplantation. CPH is using EVLP on lungs to be transplanted in Lund.



# Nordic Transplant Coordinator Group Meeting continued from last meeting online, June 25 th 2024

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Ilse Duus Weinreich, Scandiatransplant

Election of secretary: Rikke Christensen, Aarhus

1. Follow up on topics discussed at the meeting in Aarhus.

a)

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TX-Coordinators agree on suggesting making it the offering centers decision, so it is ok to send both kidneys to the same center, if you choose.

The coordinator taking part in the next NKG meeting should present this suggestion.

- b) Copenhagen, TX-coordinator Mette Gotlieb has quit her job as of 31th August. CPH hopes to hire a new colleague from August.
- c)
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Only some have started to use the new organ form. We still need the 6 digits from the birth date, which follow in the new functionalities in YASWA, which will be implemented in September, along with other improving adjustments.

d) Ilse is waiting for answer back, regarding the registration of fWIT.

#### 2. YASWA

- 2.1 Workshop, Adjustments will be implemented in September.
- 2.2 Registration on refusals. Ilse walked us through the possibilities in Allocation and Organs offers, to comment on our refusals (as recipient center).
- 2.3 OEO, New option in Organs offers outside of Scandiatransplant. It is now possible to register reasons for refusals.
- 2.4 Upload of DICOM files. CT-scans can be uploaded as Zip DICOM files, in YASWA. Oslo is starting to use the option and have no issues with radiologist with making the DICOM into Zip. In Malmö they are also beginning to use the function and have a radiologist who helps. Tartu is starting. Aarhus have tried to implement it, it is a work in progress, hopefully, but lack capacity in radiology. Other centers have the same issue.
- 3. Any other business? -No.
- 4. Next meeting 19th of November, online.