

# Annual General Meeting of the International Society of Electrophysiology

**Bratislava, Slovakia, July 2014**

## Minutes

The Annual General Meeting of the International Society of Electrophysiology was open by the President C. Pastore.

### **1. Minutes of the previous AGM meeting, Glasgow, UK, August 10, 2013**

The minutes of the previous meeting were distributed before the meeting, and they were approved as written.

### **2. Matters arising**

No matters were raised.

### **3. Secretary's report 2013:**

#### 2013 ICE, Glasgow, UK:

- The ICE 2013 meeting was held in Glasgow, UK. It was a successful meeting, organized with a collaboration of the Glasgow University, with high attendance, with high quality of scientific and social program.
- The Proceedings of ICE 2013 were distributed during the ICE 2014 meeting to those participants that attended ICE 2014 meeting. The rest will be mailed to ICE 2013 attendees.
- The selected papers of the ICE 2013 meeting were published as peer-reviewed full papers in the Journal of Electrophysiology 2014, volume 47, Issue 2
- The winners of the Young Investigators Competition ICE 2013 were:
  - Kelly A, Smith GL (Trondheim, Norway): *Intramural LV afterdepolarizations and arrhythmias during calcium overload in the intact rabbit heart.*
  - Stølen TS, Høydal MAH, Johnsen ABJ, Gaustad SEG, Skogvoll ES, Smith GLS, Wisløff UW (Trondheim, Norway): *Exercise training reduces life-threatening arrhythmias in heart failure rats: the importance exercise training intensity.*
  - Walton RD, Bernus O (Bordeaux, France): *Dual excitation wavelength optical imaging of transmural electrophysiological heterogeneity in pig ventricles.*

#### Membership total:

- At present, the International Society of Electrophysiology has 592 members.

#### The accounts:

The accounts for year ending 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2013 showed a sterling balance of £13,499.22

#### **4. Council membership**

- The Annual General Meeting approved the re-election of ICE members whose term of office had expired: G. Kozmann (Hungary), R. MacLeod (USA), M. Sobieszczanska (Poland), A. van Oosterom (The Netherlands).
- M. Tysler (Slovakia) was elected for the position of the Secretary of the ISE.
- The ISE Executive Committee now consists of the following Council members: C. Pastore (President), M. Hiraoka, Japan (Past-President), W. Zareba (President-Elect); P.W. Macfarlane (Treasurer), M. Tysler (Secretary), L. de Ambroggi, Italy; J. Liebman, USA.
- The Membership Board consists of the following members: R. MacLeod, USA, M. Hiraoka, Japan, and M. Sobieszczanska, Poland.

#### **5. Other ISE activities**

##### Journal of Electrocardiology

L. Bacharova, as the Executive Editor of the Journal of Electrocardiology (JECG), reminded the meeting that the JECG is the official journal of the Society. The JECG encourages the submission of manuscripts in the interdisciplinary field of electrocardiology. The Journal provides two pages in every issue of the Journal free of charge for ISE information and announcements.

##### ISE Proceedings digitization

L. Bacharova advised that the whole collection of ICE proceedings since the year 1959 has been digitized thanks to the Slovak National Library. She reported about negotiations with the publishers to receive permissions for providing a free access to the proceedings on the Internet.

#### **6. Future meetings**

- ICE 2015: Comandatuba Island, Bahia, Brazil (Organizer: C. Pastore, June 24-27, 1015)
- ICE 2016: Mallorca, Spain (Organizers: A. Bayes de Luna, M. Fiol)

C. Pastore, organizer of the ICE 2015 meeting in Brazil, presented details about the ICE 2015 meeting, the flyer with the first information and further information were included in the Congress materials.

#### **7. Date of the next meeting**

During the ICE 2015 meeting is to be held from June 24 – 27, 2015, in Comandatuba Island, Bahia, Brazil.

The President C. Pastore complimented the organizers of ICE 2014 for their organization of the scientific program and closed officially the scientific part of the ICE 2014 meeting.

*Minutes taken by Ljuba Bacharova, Milan Tysler*

*Revised by: Carlos Pastore*

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