

Annual Report 2007

Working Group on Pathogenesis of Atherosclerosis

Nucleus: see homepage

Chairperson: Gerard Pasterkamp

Vice-chairperson: Lale Tokgozoglu

Past chairperson: Johannes Waltenberger

Treasurer:

Secretary: i.vanhouwelingen@umcutrecht.nl (secretary chairman)

Web editor: vacant

Nucleus Members: see webpage

Specific Committees:

Other (Senate...):

VOTE: no voting in 2007

(Elections during 2007)

Chair / organisation committee:

Date:

Place:

Position(s) to be occupied:

Names of Candidates:

Number of voting delegates (WG members):

Number of registered participants (votes):

Results:

Activities

WG Annual Meeting(s): none

Name:
Chair / organisation committee
N° of participants:
N° of exhibitors:
Revenue:

Endorsed Meeting(s):

- **Meeting 1:**
Name: Innate immunity and atherosclerosis
Chair / organisation committee: G. Pasterkamp
N° of participants: 90
N° of exhibitors: 7
Revenue: Zeist, The Netherlands
- **Meeting 2:**
Name:
Chair / organisation committee
N° of participants:
N° of exhibitors:
Revenue:
- **Meeting 3:.....**

Education programme(s)

- **Trainings:**
Name:
Chair / organisation committee
N° of participants:
N° of exhibitors:
Revenue:
- **Courses:**
Name:
Chair / organisation committee
N° of participants:
N° of exhibitors:
Revenue:
- **Fellowship Program / Grants:**
Chair / organisation committee

Publications / Guidelines / Scientific Papers

Submitted by the WG (not by individuals)

Please specify Topics & Authors (specify if ordinary member or nucleus members)

- **Is your WG officially affiliated to a journal? No**
Chair / organisation committee
Title:
Contribution:

- **Number of WG Publications: none**
Chair / organisation committee
Topic 1/author:
Topic 2/author:

- **Position Papers / Consensus Documents: none**
Chair / organisation committee
Topic 1/author:
Topic 2/author:

- **Participation to guidelines - writing / reviewing: none**
Chair / organisation committee
Title:
Contribution:

Proposals for pre-arranged sessions at the ESC main congress and/or ESC Sub-specialty meetings

Submissions: Sessions are gathered by the basic science council and not coordinated by the working group.

Reviewing Chair / organisation committee

- Topic 1/author:
Topic 2/author:

Task Force(s)

Chair / organisation committee
Topic

Registry / Survey

Chair / organisation committee
Topic

Other:

- **Accreditation:**
Chair / organisation committee in charge of accreditation project
- **Membership:**
Chair / organisation committee in charge of reviewing and evaluating application forms
- **Web:**
Chair / organisation committee in charge of web updates and e-communication

Future projects:

- 1- Supporting Scientific Conference of the Polish Society for Atherosclerosis, 2008.**
- 2- Supporting Finnish Society of Gene Therapy Symposium, 2008**
- 3- Joined session during European Society of Atherosclerosis meeting (EAS) in Istanbul.**
- 4- Extra nucleus meeting November 2007.**

Finances:

Balance sheet: 12.681 Euro is on the balance sheet. No mutations in 2007.

INCOME:

Please specify amount & purpose.

Income from ESC entities:

- Actual
- Forecast for next fiscal year: balance sheet will be reduced to 10.000 Euro

Industry sponsorship:

- Actual
- Forecast for next fiscal year

MAIN EXPENSES:

Please specify amount & purpose.

- Actual
- Forecast for next fiscal year

In 2007, the number of members of our working group increased to 248. Due to the increasing exposure of the working groups by the ESC, using flyers and webpages, it is expected that the number of members will further increase the coming years. The working group joined the organisation of a meeting on innate immunity and atherosclerosis in Zeist the Netherlands.

The working group has been operating low profile which can be explained by the fact that within Europe larger organisational structures are operating in the research field of Atherosclerosis. The main objective of the coming year will therefore be to increase visibility of the working group within and outside the ESC. Initiation of initiatives competitive with other atherosclerosis organisation is not an objective. The working group will actively search for collaboration and active interaction platforms with other European organisation active in our field of research. Organisations that are considered are EVGN, EAS and national atherosclerosis societies. Main purpose of this increased interaction will be to strengthen the visibility of our working group and highlight the advantages of the embedding into a large scientific community as the ESC.

The nucleus members will be asked to take responsibility in this communicative effort. Therefore, communication tasks will be defined and distributed among the nucleus members. One of the major tasks will be to appoint a web editor for our working group.

In 2008, it is our goal to become more active at the website of the ESC and newsletters will be spread by mail and by the ESC webpages. We will be more actively profiling the value and opportunities of the WG and the ESC at national and international meetings. In 2008 two meetings will be supported: the Polish society of Atherosclerosis and the Finnish meeting on gene therapy.

Gerard Pasterkamp and Lale Tokgozoglu.