ANNUAL REPORT THE WORKING GROUP ON MYOCARDIAL AND PERICARDIAL DISEASES

Objectives of the Working Group on Myocardial and Pericardial Diseases

- 1. To promote and organize epidemiological, clinical and genetic research in the field of:
 - cardiomyopathies,
 - myocarditis,
 - inflammatory cardiomyopathies,
 - · unusual cardiomyopathies,
 - pericardial diseases
 - tumors of the heart and pericardium
 - systemic autoimmune and genetic diseases with myocardial involvement
- 2. To promote educational programs within the Working Group and organize educational meetings on thematic topics.
- 3. To favor the participation of members of the Working Group to the ESC activities.
- 4. To contribute to the organization and preparation of the annual ESC Congress and to participate and support other scientific meetings and symposia.
- 5. To hold regular meetings of the Working Group
- 6. To arrange Task Forces dealing with pertinent issues for recommendations of good clinical practice and guidelines.

Sessions organized at the ESC annual Meeting - Stockholm September 02- September 6, 2005

1. Acquired cardiomyopathies: diagnosis and treatment

Date: 04 Sep 2005 Time: 14:00-15:30

Type: Symposium Room: Prague (Red Zone)

Chairperson: E Arbustini (Pavia, IT), W J Mckenna (London, GB)

2. Major clinical issues in pericardial disease

Date: 04 Sep 2005 Time: 16:30-18:00

Type: Symposium Room: Prague (Red Zone)

Chairperson: P Seferovic (Belgrade, YU), M Csanady (Szeged, HU)

3. Restrictive cardiomyopathies: an update

Date: 05 Sep 2005 Time: 08:30-10:00

Type: Clinical Seminar Room: Oslo (Green Zone)

Chairperson: U Kuehl (Berlin, DE), E Arbustini (Pavia, IT)

Activities run outside the ESC Annual Congress

EuroEcho 5, Athens December 01/04, 2004 Collaborattive Meeting

1st European Conference on Myocardial and Pericardial Diseases February 15/17, 2005, Venice, Italy

ESC Guidelines on the Diagnosis and Treatment of Pericardial Diseases European Heart Journal 25: 587-610: 2004

Planned WG initiatives

Cardiomyopathies (Primary Heart Muscle Diseases) represent an important cause of cardiac morbidity and mortality. Diagnostic and therapeutic dilemmas are frequently encountered during their management, even by experienced cardiologists. Advances in basic research led to better understanding of the pathogenic mechanisms of cardiomyopathies, but did not alter significantly clinical concepts of diagnostic categories and clinical approach to management of the disease. In view of accumulated information related to the genetic, immunologic and infectious aspects of the disease, the currently accepted WHO classification of cardiomyoapthies (dating back to 1995) is not adequate anymore.

For the above reasons, the WG is planning to initiate:

- Update of the 1995 WHO classification of cardiomyopathies
- Recommendations on diagnosis and treatment of cardiomyopathies uncovered by currently existing ESC guidelines , including

familial/genetic cardiomyopathies, restrictive cardiomyopathies, arrhythmogenic right ventricular cardiomyopathy, virus- induced inflammatory cardiomyopathies, mildly dilated cardiomyopathies, non-compacted cardiomyopathies, mitochondrial cardiomyopathies, metabolic cardiomyopathies, peripartum cardiomyopathies, but may also be extended to arrhythmia and conduction disturbances associated with myocyte disorders.

- Planned Congresses:

2nd European Conference on Myocardial and Pericardial Diseases

February 15/17, 2006, Venice, Italy

3rd European Conference on Myocardial and Pericardial Diseases October 6/8, 2006, Belgrad, Yugoslavia

Membership of our Working Group

Members: 199

New members:

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Registries and Surveys

Although several registries and surveys are active in national cardiological societies and members of our WG are either running or actively involved in their management, no specific registry or surveys has been activated within our WG.

Study Groups

Study groups of our WG are active in the fields of viral heart diseases, inflammatory cardiomyopathies, and pericardial diseases.

World Heart Federation - Council on Cardiomyopathies. More info at: http://www.uni-marburg.de/herzzentrum/isfc.htm

Financial situation

Working Group n° 21: *Myocardial & Pericardial Diseases* Account n° 37 019 0 4249 9 in Euros Banque Populaire de la Côte d'Azur

Year : 2004/2005

Date	Comments	Debit	Credit	Balance
	Balance on 01/04/04			1.147,88
	21/12/21			
	Balance on 31/12/04			1.147,88
19-Jan-05	Payment Kafer's invoice Business meetings Munich 2004	680,00		
	Balance on 19/01/05			467,88
28-Feb-05 28-Feb-05	ESC bonification 2004-2005 Refund Prof. Charron web site 17/12/2004 E	ЕНН	1.500,00 529,00	
	Balance on 28/02/04			1.438,88
24-Mrz-05	Allocation of the financial income to WG		25,00	
	Balance on 31/03/05			1.463,88
	Total money available			1.463,88