

## Annual General Meeting of the International Society of Electrocardiology

Glasgow, United Kingdom, August 7 – 10, 2013

### Minutes

The Annual General Meeting of the International Society of Electrocardiology was open by the President M. Hiraoka.

1. The Secretary L. Bacharova advised that **Prof. Leonid Ivanovich Titomir (1935 – 2012)**, from the Institute for Information Transmission Problems, Russian Academy of Sciences, Moscow, Russia, former Council member of the International Society of Electrocardiology, had died., The Secretary presented the major areas of his research achievements and the AGM held a minute of silence in his memory.

#### **2. Minutes of the previous meeting, Beijing, China, August 9 - 12, 2012**

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

#### **3. Matters arising**

No matters were raised.

#### **4. Secretary's report 2012:**

2012 ICE, Beijing, China:

- The ICE 2012 meeting was held in Beijing, China. The meeting was held in conjunction with a large scientific meeting of Chinese cardiologist (China Heart Congress 2012). The President of the Congress, Prof. Shu Zhang, stressed the importance of this type of international meeting, and felt that it was really challenging to take into account the rapid development in China.
- The selected papers of the ICE 2012 meeting were published as peer-reviewed full papers in the Journal of Electrocardiology 2013, Volume 46, Issue 4.
- The winners of the Young Investigators Competition ICE 2012 were:
  - Fa Wang: Electrocardiographic features in long QTS syndrome in patients with KCNJ5 (Kir3.4-G387R) mutation;
  - Elena Dyuzheva: Is it possible to predict postoperative ventricular arrhythmias before coronary artery bypass grafting?

Membership total:

- At present, the International Society of Electrocardiology has 500 members.
- The accounts:

The accounts for year ending 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2012 showed a sterling balance of £13,639.20.

## 5. Council membership

- The Annual General Meeting approved the re-election of ICE members whose term of office had expired: Bacharova L, Slovakia; De Ambroggi L, Italy; Gorenek B, Turkey; Hiraoka M, Japan; Macfarlane PW, UK; Roshchevsky PM, Russia; Zareba W, USA.
- C. Pastore now starts his two year term as the President of the Society. On behalf of the Council and the Society, the Secretary L. Bacharova expressed thanks to M. Hiraoka for his significant efforts and contribution to the Society as its President over the last two years.
- 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. Macfralane (Treasurer), L. Bacharova (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.

## 6. 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.

## 7. Future meetings

- ICE 2014: Bratislava, Slovakia (Organizer: M. Tysler, June 4-7,2014)
- ICE 2015: Comandatuba Island, Bahia, Brazil (Organizer: C. Pastore, June 25-27, 1015)
- ICE 2016: tba

M.Tysler, the organizer of the ICE 2014 meeting in Bratislava, presented details about the ICE 2014 meeting, including scientific topics, social program and pictures of Bratislava and the venue. He distributed a flyer with the first information.

C. Pastore, organizer of the ICE 2015 meeting in Brazil, presented information and pictures of Comandatuba Island, the venue of the ICE 2015 meeting.

## 8. Date of the next meeting

The 2014 meeting is to be held from June 4 – 7, 2014, in Bratislava, Slovakia, and the preliminary date of the AGM is June 7, 2014.

The President M. Hiraoka complimented the organizers of ICE 2013 for their organization of the scientific programme and closed officially the scientific part of the ICE 2013 meeting.

*Minutes taken by Ljuba Bacharova,  
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