

# **The 40<sup>th</sup> Congress of the Scandinavian Sarcoma Group**

The 12<sup>th</sup> meeting of the  
Scandinavian Sarcoma Group for  
Nurses & Physiotherapists

October 6-8, 2021  
Tampere



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## Conference venue

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### Solo Sokos Hotel Tornii Tampere



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# Preface

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We wish all members of the Scandinavian Sarcoma Group (SSG) and external guests welcome to our 40<sup>th</sup> congress in Tampere, Finland, October 6-8, 2021. We are excited to announce the participation of several excellent invited speakers, from various European countries.

The meeting will begin Wednesday morning with a workshop on desmoid tumors arranged by SSG together with EURACAN. The participants will get the opportunity to hear about the various diagnostic and therapeutic challenges of this disease and discuss some difficult cases.

Basic research, diagnostics and treatment of bone- and soft tissue sarcoma will be extensively covered throughout the meeting.

A session will be dedicated to immunotherapy, with a focus on why it has not been as effective in sarcomas as in other cancers and how to learn from that when designing new immunotherapy trials in sarcomas.

As a new feature we will dedicate a session to give young Nordic PhD students from all disciplines to present their PhD projects. The idea is not (only) to present completed and finished projects but also projects in the process of being written to create discussions, generate ideas and help the young researchers liaise with other researchers and may be expand their projects and create future collaborations. We hope to receive a lot of abstracts with description of PhD projects for this session. This is a new experiment that can only bear fruits with your encouragement and support.

Additionally, we will pay attention to pediatric sarcomas with a dedicated lecture about fusion sarcomas in the pediatric group and two radiotherapy lectures describing both external beam and brachytherapy in the pediatric group.

The nurses- and physiotherapists program will focus on next generation communication and holistic approach in managing sarcoma patients.

Many of the sessions will be joint sessions between physicians, scientists, nurses and physiotherapists. A collaboration between these groups is important for the development of new treatment strategies for sarcoma patients.

As usual, there will be free presentations and poster viewing sessions.

We hope that all SSG members and other participants will find the conference inspiring and take the opportunity to meet and discuss collaborative work.

We wish you an enjoyable and memorable stay in Tampere!

Akmal Safwat  
Chairman for the Scandinavian Sarcoma Group

## **Program responsible**

### **SSG Board:**

Akmal Safwat, Thomas Baad-Hansen, Jukka Kanerva, Lotta Våde, Hans Kristian Haugland, Panagiotis Tsagkozis and Eva-Mari Olofsson.

**Local program committee:** Kaisa Sunela, Juha Kiiski, Toni-Karri Pakarinen, Tiina Lyly-Yrjänäinen, Hanna Mäenpää, Sanna Huovinen and Anna Hyvärinen.

**Program committee for Nurses and Physiotherapists:** Stine Næss, Annica Pettersson, Helene Jochims Mortensen, Merethe Lia Johansen and Lotta Våde.

### **Next SSG meetings:**

25<sup>th</sup> Working Group Meeting of the SSG, January 31<sup>st</sup> – February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022, Malmö.

41<sup>st</sup> Plenary Meeting of the SSG will be determined.

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# SSG/EURACAN workshop on desmoid tumors

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## Wednesday October 6

- 07.30-08.00      Registration.
- 08.15-14.30**      Room: TBA  
Chairmen: *K. Boye, Oslo, J. Kiiski, Tampere*
- 08.15              Introduction and practical information.
- 08.30      L      Pathological aspects.  
*P. Rissler, Lund*
- 09.00      L      Radiological challenges.  
*A. Lücke, Aarhus*
- 09.30      L      When to operate?  
*O. Zaikova, Oslo*
- 10.00-10.30*      *Coffee break*
- 10.30      L      Role of radiotherapy.  
*K. Santti, Helsinki*
- 11.00      L      Role of high-intensity focused ultrasound (HIFU).  
*R. Blanco, Turku*
- 11.30      L      The dilemma of medical treatment.  
*A. Krarup-Hansen, Herlev*
- 12.00–13.00*      *Lunch*
- 13.00      L      Desmoid tumors in association with FAP.  
*S. Stacchiotti, Milan, Italy*
- 13.30              Cases to be discussed in reaction to the most recent consensus paper.
- 14.25              Closing remarks.

# SSG Plenary Meeting

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## Wednesday October 6

14.00-15.45      Registration  
Exhibition stand & Poster exhibition (all day)

### Joint session with physicians, scientists, nurses and physiotherapists

16.00-16.10      Welcome and introduction by Akmal Safwat,  
chairman of SSG.  
Room: TBA

**16.10-18.00      Session I: Fusion sarcomas**  
Chairmen: *K. Sundby Hall, Oslo, J. Kanerva, Helsinki*

16.10      L      Pathology of fusion sarcomas.  
*M. Miettinen, NIH, USA*

16.30      L      Old fusion sarcomas: Prognostic significance.  
*F. Haglund, Stockholm*

16.50      L      New fusion sarcomas: Therapeutic aspects.  
*A. Le Cesne, Villejuif, France*

17.10      L      Using neomorphic features of fusion oncogenes in  
pediatric sarcomas for target therapy and diagnostics.  
*T. Grünwald, Heidelberg, Germany*

17.30      L      Proffered paper.

17.40      L      Proffered paper.

17.50      L      Closing remarks.

19.00              Social program see separate section.



# SSG Plenary Meeting

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## Thursday October 7

- 07.30-08.30      Registration  
Exhibition stand & Poster exhibition (all day)
- 08.30–10.30      **Session II: Immunotherapy in sarcoma: is it working?****  
Room: TBA  
Chairmen: *N. Aggerholm-Pedersen, Copenhagen,*  
*A. Papakonstantinou, Stockholm*
- 08.30      L      The history and concepts of immunotherapy.  
*N. Junker, Herlev*
- 08.50      L      Tumor immune-evasive mechanisms; Role of innate  
immunity.  
*A. Lundqvist, Stockholm*
- 09.20      L      Sarcoma immunotherapy: recent clinical results.  
*K. Boye, Oslo*
- 09.40      L      Tumor microenvironment as predictive of  
immunotherapy.  
*M. Ehnman, Stockholm*
- 10.10      L      Proffered paper
- 10.20      L      Closing remarks.
- 10.30-11.00      Coffee break*

- 11.00-13.00**      **Session III: Sarcoma radiotherapy**  
Room: TBA  
Chairmen: *N. Jebsen, Bergen, Ø. Bruland, Oslo*
- 11.00      L      Radiotherapy of pediatric sarcomas.  
*H. Mandeville, London, The UK*
- 11.30      L      Brachytherapy of bladder sarcomas.  
*J. Stenman, Stockholm*
- 12.00      L      Late complications of radiotherapy.  
*P. Lindholm, Turku*
- 12.30      L      Proton therapy.  
*A. Safwat, Aarhus*
- 13.00-14.00*      *Lunch*
- 14.00-15.30**      **Sarcoma related research in Scandinavia:**  
**Oral presentations of PhD protocols ± preliminary results**  
Room: TBA  
Chairmen: *T. Baad-Hansen, Aarhus, K. Francis Andersen, Copenhagen*
- 15.30-16.00*      *Coffee break*
- 16.00-18.00**      **Session IV: Benign soft tissue and bone lesions:**  
**PVNS, Aneurysmal bone cyst, GCT of bone and Morbus Ledderhose**  
Room: TBA  
Chairmen: *O-J. Norum, Oslo, Aarhus, J. Engellau, Lund*
- 16.00      Introduction and problem formulation.  
*O-J. Norum, Oslo*
- 16.10      L      Role of surgery.  
*P. Tsagkozis, Stockholm*

- 16.40 L Role of therapy.  
*J. Engellau, Lund*
- 17.10 L Role of medical treatments.  
*S. Stacchiotti, Milan, Italy*
- 17.40 Cases/consensus/closing remarks.
- 19.00 Social program – see separate section.

# SSG Plenary Meeting

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## Friday October 8

- 08.00–08.30      Registration  
Exhibition stand & Poster exhibition (all day)
- 08.30–15.35      Joint session with physicians, scientists, nurses and  
physiotherapists**  
Room: TBA
- 08.30-10.30      Session V: New techniques and innovations in  
orthopedic oncology.**  
Chairmen: *T-K. Pakarinen, Tampere, M. Mørk Petersen,  
Copenhagen*
- 08.30            L      Navigation improves oncological outcome of pelvic  
sarcomas?  
*M. Laitinen, Helsinki*
- 08.50            L      How can AI help orthopedic oncologists in the  
future?  
*J. Nieminen, Tampere*
- 09.10            L      Robotics in arthroplasty.  
*M. Junnila, Tampere*
- 09.30            L      3-D print in orthopedic oncology.  
*T. Baad-Hansen, Aarhus*
- 09.50            L      Gait analysis and muscle strength for knee  
endoprosthesis, results from MAGUS.  
*M. L. Johansen, Oslo*
- 10.10            L      Proffered paper.
- 10.30-11.00      Coffee break*

**11.00-13.00**      **Session VI: Registration and management of acute and late complications of cancer treatment**

Chairmen: *K. Sunela, Tampere, S. Næss, Oslo*

- 11.00      L      Late complications of anthracycline therapy.  
*S. Tuohinen, Helsinki*
- 11.20      L      Geriatric assessment in elderly sarcoma patients.  
*K. Lehtomäki, Tampere*
- 11.40      L      Survival care plan.  
*A. Auranen, Tampere*
- 12.00      L      When side effects after sarcoma treatment gets so demanding suicide is the option – from a patient relative perspective.  
*O. K. Ödegaard, Oslo*
- 12.30      L      Maintaining wellbeing and decreasing side effects during chemotherapy treatment.  
*M. Savic, P. Elmström, Lund*

12.50–13.00      Closing remarks.

13.00–14.00      *Lunch*

**14.00-15.30**      **Session VII: GIST**

Chairmen: *T. Hølmekbakk, Oslo, A. Safwat, Aarhus*

- 13.30      L      Adjuvant therapy of GIST.  
*H. Joensuu, Helsinki*
- 14.00      L      Therapy of metastatic disease & new drugs.  
*M. Eriksson, Lund*
- 14.30      L      Surgery of metastatic disease.  
*J. Åhlen, Stockholm*

**15.30-15.35**      **Closing remarks**

*SSG chair*

## SSG Nurses

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### Thursday October 7

- 07.45-08.20      Registration  
Exhibition stand & Poster exhibition (all day)
- 08.20–16.30      Nurses session**  
Room: TBA
- 08.20              Welcome and logistics!  
*S. Næss, Oslo*
- 08.30–10.30      Session I – Next generation communication**  
Chairmen: *A. Pettersson, Umeå, L. Petersen, Copenhagen*
- 08.30      L      How nurses can communicate through social media.  
*L. Våde, Patient Organization, Oslo*
- 09.00      L      Min “Sundhedsplatform” – When test results are available  
before consultation with healthcare professionals.  
*H. Mortensen, Herlev*
- 09.30      L      Mobile application for sarcoma patients and their relatives.  
*K. Brunvoll, Patient Organization Sarkomer, Oslo*
- 10.00      L      TBA.  
*H. Bøgseth, Oslo*
- 10.30-11.00      Coffee break*
- 11.00–16.30      Joint session with physiotherapists**

- 11.00-12.30**      **Session II - Rotationplasty**  
 Chairmen: *H. Bøgseth, Oslo, H. Mortensen, Herlev*
- 11.00      L      TBA  
*O-J. Norum, Oslo*
- 11.30      L      Rehabilitation from a prosthetist's perspective.  
*T. Snare, Oslo*
- 12.00      L      Rehabilitation after rotationplasty.  
*S. Ludvigsen, Oslo*
- 12.30-13.15*      *Lunch*
- 13.15-15.15**      **Session III – Recurrence, a holistic approach**  
 Chairmen: *H. Fuglø, Copenhagen, S. Ludvigsen, Oslo*
- 13.15      L      Sarcoma recurrences: To treat or not to treat - that is the question.  
*M. Eriksson, Lund*
- 13.45      L      Do we overtreat our patients?  
*A. Pettersson, Umeå*
- 14.15      L      My Story – Living with GIST.  
*A. Jahr, Patient Organization Sarkomer, Oslo*
- 14.45      L      Physiotherapy for sarcoma patients in a palliative phase.  
*M. L. Johansen, Oslo*
- 15.15-15.30*      *Coffee break*
- 15.30           Annual meeting.
- 19.00           Social program – see separate section.

# SSG Physiotherapists

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## Thursday October 7

- 08.00-08.30      Registration  
Exhibition stand & Poster exhibition (all day)
- 08.20–16.30      Physiotherapists session**  
Room: TBA
- 08.20              Welcome!  
*M. L. Johansen, Oslo*
- 08.30–10.30      Physiotherapists session**  
Chairman: *M. L. Johansen, Oslo*
- 08.30      L      Children with sarcoma - Case  
*E. Frisk, Stockholm*
- 08.50      L      Pelvic sarcoma – What are the options?  
*J. Thorildsen, Oslo*
- 09.30      L      Rehabilitation after pelvic sarcoma, 3D print.  
*K. Lindblom, Oslo*
- 09.50      L      Case.  
*TBA*
- 10.15              Discussion.
- 10.30-11.00      Coffee break*
- 11.00–16.30      Joint session with nurses**
- 11.00-12.30      Session II - Rotationplasty**  
Chairmen: *H. Bøgseth, Oslo, H. Mortensen, Herlev*
- 11.00      L      TBA  
*O-J. Norum, Oslo*



- 11.30 L Rehabilitation from a prosthetist's perspective.  
*T. Snare, Oslo*
- 12.00 L Rehabilitation after rotationplasty.  
*S. Ludvigsen, Oslo*
- 12.30-13.15 Lunch*
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- 19.00 Social program – see separate section.

## Social program

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### Wednesday 6 October 2021

18.30 Departure with bus from conference hotel

19.00 Dinner at restaurant Näsinnuola



### Thursday 7 October 2021

18.40 Departure from conference hotel (walking distance)

19.00 “Get together evening” at Town Hall













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