

Minutes SSG board meeting 2023/06/16 (Teams)

Present: Christina Linder-Stragliotto (head), Panos Tsagkozis, Eva-Mari Olofsson (meeting secretary), Kathrin Pulverer and Stine Kirchhoff Christensen.

Excused: Kaisa Sunela and Christina Berger.

1. Approval of minutes from the last meeting.

- Minutes from the previous meeting approved.

2. Follow up on agreements and tasks discussed in previous meetings:

- Kathrin informed about an abstract on a phase II basket trial of dual anti-CTLA-4 and anti-PD-1 blockade in rare tumors. The link to the abstract will be sent in a separate email.

- Web page: Group leaders to suggest changes, one of the things to be discussed during the working group meeting in Malmö. Answers from the nurses, orthopedic and imaging groups has been received. We will send a reminder to the rest of the groups and also ask the members of help with the update and information in the coming newsletter.

3. Economy (presented by the treasurer):

- Discussions with Novartis regarding amendment/change of the milestone/outpayments in the SSG XXII trial (Mikael Eriksson) are ongoing. Tina and Panos contacted Mikael and suggested a contact with a legal expert but Mikael thought that this should only worsen the situation. Mikael will continue the discussions and contact us if any update should occur.

- Panos got the answer from the orthopaedic company (Implantcast) regarding sponsorship for the upcoming plenary meeting in Gothenburg next year. They were willing to become a gold sponsor if they were allowed to bring unlimited delegates to attend the meeting!

Decision: The board agreed on following numbers of (free attending) of delegates/company based on sponsoring level:

Gold sponsor – 2 delegates

Silver and bronze sponsor – 1 delegate

If they want to have more delegates represented they have to pay the lowest registration fee/delegate.

4. Funding activities (have SSG sought funds, are there any funds to seek?)

- We have made a list of potential funds/organisations. Tina has been in contact with the chair of the Swedish Sarkomföreningen, Maria Jernström, about sponsoring the meeting in Gothenburg. Discussions will also be made with the chair for «Sjöbergsstiftelsen» a Swedish organisation about sponsoring the travel costs of the invited speaker from Japan. Maybe we can seek money to cover other costs related to the meeting.

Stine informed that we are not able to seek money from the Danish organisations.

5. Meeting events/suggestions

- **WGM Malmö** - Suggestion by Stine to present the concept of chemotherapy for young individuals, focusing for example at chemotherapy given at home. Stine will contact Hilde Bøgseth, research nurse in Oslo, to give this lecture at our meeting. She gave a nice lecture in this field at the CTOS meeting in Vancouver.

- We have received some suggestions of speakers/lectures to invite dr. Claudia Valverde, from the Spanish Sarcoma Group (GEIS) to talk about studies.

Another suggestion is to invite dr. Kenny Rodrigues Wallberg to talk about fertility in sarcoma patients after treatment with chemotherapy.

- A new treasurer must be elected since Panos time of office is ended. The election committee has been contacted and they will start their work.

- **Plenary meeting in Gothenburg:**

- A new meeting with the local committee in Gothenburg will be planned before the summer.

- We have invited a speaker from Japan dr. Imai Reiko to talk about radiotherapy with heavy ions. She has accepted the invitation!

We have also got a positive answer from dr. Hillevi Rylander (Scandium kliniken) who will talk about treatment with protons.

- Tina informed about a new company (Raysearch) to approach regarding sponsoring of the meeting.

- **Any other meetings:** No suggestions of other upcoming meetings.

6. Trials (status of the old) Any new?

- SSGXXII has enrolled 256 patients (according to the protocol the target was to enroll 250 patients). The inclusion is now closed in all countries including Australia

- rEECur – we are awaiting information from Birmingham to get the approvals of the submission of the last amendment.

- No new studies were presented.

7. Education guidelines (any new initiatives?):

- New guidelines on immunotherapy in desmoides has been presented.

8. Meeting schedule autumn 2023

August 25, 13-14 (Teams).

October 6, 13-14 (Teams).

November 17, 13-14 (Teams).

December 3 (Sunday in connection with the WGM 17-19)