

Minutes of the ESPN Dialysis Working Group Meeting.

Glasgow, September 9, 2017.

Participants:

Constantinos Stefanidis, Athens, Greece (Chaired the Meeting, replacing Prof. Edefonti Coordinator of the group)

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Claus Schmittlaus, Heidelberg, Germany,

Rukshana Shroff, London, UK,

Lisa Sartz, Lund, Sweden,

Johan Vande Walle, Gent, Belgium

The following activities of the group were presented:

Educational activities: Symposium on Pediatric Dialysis (T. Holtta as organising person), Helsinki, 9th of June 2017.

Dialysis Master Class (R. Shroff for the ESPN Dialysis WG) during the 50th Anniversary Congress of the ESPN, Glasgow 6th to 9th of September 2017

Research activities: 1. In collaboration with the ESPN/ERA-EDTA Registry:

Time of initiation of dialysis and outcome in children in Europe (S. Bakkaloglu, C.Stefanidis)

Preliminary results were presented by Dr Preka

2. Other research activities:

European survey on vaccination policies in pediatric dialysis units (S. Bakkaloglu et al.). The article will be submitted at the journal Nephron.

Management of children with congenital nephrotic syndrome: challenging treatment paradigms (R.Shroff, T.Holttaet al.). The article will be submitted at the: Clinical Journal of the American Society of Nephrology

A modified version of the protocol “European survey on hospitalization in pediatric dialysis units” (S. Bakkaloglu) was discussed.

An update of the study: “Assessing calcium balance in children with CKD to optimize treatment strategies”, (R. Shroff) was presented.

Published Guidelines

Clinical Practice Recommendations for treatment with Active Vitamin D analogues in children with CKD stages 2-5 and on dialysis

<http://www.espn-online.org/images/ClinicalPracticeRecommendationsforACTIVEvitaminD-ESPN2017a.pdf>

Clinical Practice Recommendations for native Vitamin D therapy in children with CKD stages 2-and on dialysis.

<http://www.espn-online.org/images/ClinicalPracticeRecommendationsforNATIVEvitaminD-ESPN2017.pdf>

Guidelines under development

Guideline on rhGH treatment in CKD and dialysis, by (R.Shroff et al.)

Clinical practice guidelines on vascular access for hemodialysis (C. Stefanidis et al.).

Collaborations

1. Collaboration between the ESPN Dialysis WG and the ESPN/ERA-EDTA Registry: “ Time to initiation of dialysis and outcome” will be finalized in 2017.

2. Collaboration between the ESPN Dialysis WG, ESPN CKD-MBD WG and ESPN Transplantation WG in developing the Guideline on rhGH treatment in CKD, Dialysis and Transplant periods.

Proposed Studies

1. Sleep disorders in children on dialysis. The proposal was presented by Prof. N. Printza.
2. Fractures in children with CKD. The proposal was presented by Dr R. Shroff.
3. Refugee/immigrant pediatric patients on dialysis in Europe. The proposal was presented by Dr Sartz.

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