



# News & Views

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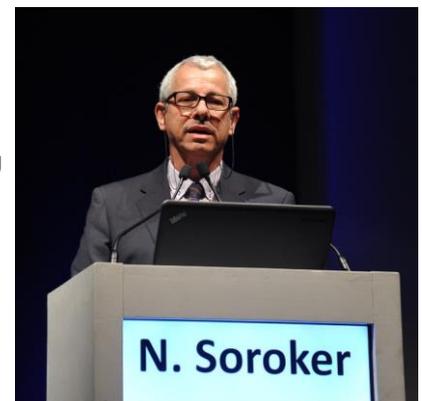
## ISPRM 2017 Buenos Aires made us happy!

A few months have passed already, however ISPRM 2017 is still very much alive in our heads.

From 30 April almost 1,800 participants from 79 countries around the globe were welcomed to a beautiful and sunny Buenos Aires, Argentina to enjoy an excellent program packed with hands-on workshops, 106 scientific sessions including 8 outstanding keynote lectures, and a full exhibition.

ISPRM Awards were given to **Joel DeLisa** (Herman J. Flax Lifetime Achievement Award to), **Nachum Soroker** (Sydney Licht Lectureship Award) and **Andrew Cole** (Haim Ring Memorial Award Individual) and the **Center of Rehabilitation Medicine in the First Affiliated Hospital of Nanjing Medical University** (Haim Ring Memorial Award Institutional).

*Nachum Soroker during his Sydney Licht Lecture 'Novel options for restoration of discrete functions following brain damage'.*



Knowledge and experiences were exchanged, old and new friends were present, together creating a successful 11th ISPRM World Congress and 23rd Argentine Society of Physical Rehabilitation Medicine National Congress.

Thank you all for making the 11th ISPRM World Congress a great success and we look forward to another outstanding Congress next year in Paris!



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## ISPRM 2018 Paris



The next ISPRM World Congress, [ISPRM 2018](#), will be held from 8-12 July 2018, in Paris, France.

The French and Belgian Societies of Physical and Rehabilitation Medicine (SOFMER & RBSPRM) invite you to take part in the upcoming congress. In Paris a dedicated educational pathway will be provided for residents.

[Abstract Submission](#) is already open, so submit your abstract today and find out **early** if it has been accepted.

[Submit your abstract >>](#)

Reduced [registration fees](#) are available for ISPRM, SOFMER, RBSPRM and ESPRM members. Registration will open in the coming weeks. ISPRM active members from low and low middle income countries are entitled to a further reduction to the registration rate.

## First ISPRM 2018 Keynote Lectures announced

**PRM and Dysphagia: What's New?**  
Eiichi Saitoh, Japan

**Neuromodulation in PRM: Past, Present and Future**  
Pablo Celnik, USA

**Neglect, Sensor-motricity and Cognition**  
Gilles Rode, France

Find out more about these and other [ISPRM 2018 Keynote lectures](#)  
[>>](#)

## Cochrane Rehabilitation



Cochrane Rehabilitation recently launched its first newsletter.

Read the newsletter [here >>](#)

Make sure your [membership](#) is up-to-date before you register for the Congress, as this will give you access to the lowest registration fees.

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## Are you an active member of ISPRM?

If you are an active member, either an Individual Active member, or a Member through your National Society, you can register for the annual ISPRM World Congress at reduced registration fees. In addition to this, you are eligible for Board positions, and you can submit articles for the ISPRM News & Views.

To learn more about your ISPRM membership and keeping it up-to-date, have a look at our [website >>](#)

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## Committee update - Disaster Rehabilitation Committee (DRC)

By Fary Khan, ISPRM DRC Chair Elect

ISPRM has prioritized the role of medical rehabilitation in disaster management in its agenda. In accordance with the WHO-ISPRM Liaison initiative, the ISPRM Disaster Rehabilitation Committee (DRC) (previously Committee on Rehabilitation Disaster Relief) was officially formed at 5th ISPRM World Congress (Istanbul, Turkey, 2009), to advocate for the physical and rehabilitation medicine perspective in minimizing disability, optimizing function and health-related quality of life in persons who sustain traumatic injury and those with pre-existing disability in natural or man-made disasters.

The DRC also collaborates with the WHO Liaison Committee on WHO disaster-related disability initiatives, and provides technical resources for optimizing the health, function and quality of life of persons who sustain injuries due to large-scale disasters.

[Read the full DRC update here >>](#)



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## National Society update - Report on BAPMRCON 2016

By Prof. Dr. Taslim Uddin, BSM Medical University, Dhaka, Official ISPRM Representative, Vice-President Bangladesh Association of PMR

The 9th Conference of the Bangladesh Association of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, BAPMRCON 2016, was held on December 12-15, 2016 in Dhaka, Bangladesh at Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujib Medical University (BSMMU) and Krishibid Institute.

Themed “*Regain mobility and get momentum of life*”, nearly 300 BAPMR members, accompanying persons, local special guests, and international delegates attended this significant event in the history of Bangladesh PMR. By contrast, ten association members and trainees attended the single day program at the first BAPMR conference in 1997!

[Read the full BAPMRCON 2016 report here >>](#)



## Developments in the world of PRM -

### The Royal Melbourne Hospital Department of Rehabilitation Flying Faculty

By Dr. Bhasker Amatya

The Department of Rehabilitation Medicine (DoRM), Royal Melbourne Hospital (RMH) recognises that building and strengthening rehabilitation capacity through education and training in the Low- and Middle-Income countries (LMICs) is of paramount importance in developing a skilled work-force, improving service provision and awareness of rehabilitation.

The RMH DoRM **Flying Faculty** was established 3 years ago to supplement existing educational programmes at RMH that hosted visiting rehabilitation physicians from LMICs. The Flying Faculty is a voluntary interdisciplinary workforce, comprises team members from various ethnic backgrounds, culturally sensitive and can communicate effectively in local language of the host country.

The Flying Faculty visits the LMICs, upon invitation from relevant Departments of Health, Universities and tertiary hospitals, as independent experts to run organized intensive rehabilitation educational workshop and capacity building programmes tailored to host requirements.



[Read more about the Flying Faculty here >>](#)

## Upcoming events

Stay up-to-date about [PRM events throughout the year](#)

► *ISPRM will be present at the marked Congresses*

The following events will take place in the coming months:

### [Rehab Week 2017](#)

17-20 July 2017, London, UK

### [2nd Jakarta PMR Scientific Forum 2017](#)

22-23 July 2017, Jakarta, Indonesia

### [5th Singapore Rehabilitation Conference](#)

7-8 September 2017, Singapore

### [ICCNU 2017 - 6th International Conference and Course on Neuromuscular Ultrasonography](#)

21-23 September 2017, Seoul, Korea

### ► [32nd Congress of the French Society of Physical and Rehabilitation Medicine - SOFMER 2017](#)

5-7 October 2017, Nancy, France



If you want to have your upcoming event listed here as well, contact us through [isprmoffice@kenes.com](mailto:isprmoffice@kenes.com)

# Future ISPRM World Congresses

[12th ISPRM World Congress - ISPRM 2018](#)

8-12 July 2018, Paris, France

13th ISPRM World Congress - ISPRM 2019

9-13 June, Kobe, Japan

14th ISPRM World Congress 2020

USA

15th ISPRM World Congress

Lisbon, Portugal



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