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Official newsletter of the International Society of Physical and Rehabilitation Medicine

ISPRM 2017 - Minutes from the Assembly of Individual Members & Assembly of Delegates are now available



ISPRM 2017 Assembly of Delegates

The minutes of the Assembly of Individual Members, held on 2 May 2017, and the minutes of the Assembly of Delegates held on 3 May 2017, during the ISPRM 2017 World Congress in Buenos Aires, Argentina, are now available for viewing.

[To read the minutes of the ISPRM 2017 Assembly of Delegates & minutes of the ISPRM 2017 Assembly of Individual Members - Log into the ISPRM website >>](#)

**Save the date for the ISPRM 2018 Assembly of Individual Members
- Tuesday 10 July 2018 -**

ISPRM 2018 - NEWS

The countdown to ISPRM 2018 has begun, with only 4 months to go; we're now reviewing a **record number of abstracts** submitted.



The first draft of the scientific program has been released, applications for the International Innovation Contest are coming in and we're looking at a full exhibition area!
A lot of work has been done and is still ongoing to ensure you will have the best experience in the city of Paris, **Bienvenue à Paris!**

Preliminary program available now!

The first draft of the program for Paris 2018 is now available and contains an exciting mix of high quality sessions.

[View the program >>](#)

Early registration rates apply until 11 April

Early registration rates expire on 11 April 2018, so make sure you've registered before that time and join us in Paris!

[Register >>](#)

Make sure your membership is up-to-date!

To ensure you can register at the best available rate for ISPRM 2018, your membership needs to be up-to-date for this year, 2018.

If you are a member through a National Society, check with your National Society for your membership renewal code, or renew as an Individual member.

[Renew my membership >>](#)

A new Task Force is born - Launching the Task Force of Ultrasound in PRM (USPRM)

By Prof Levent Özçakar, MD, Chair of the USPRM Task Force

The specialty of Physical and Rehabilitation Medicine (PRM) deals with a large variety of diseases involving the neuromusculoskeletal system. Accordingly, physiatrists need to diagnose, treat, and rehabilitate disorders affecting several tissues including muscles, nerves, tendons, ligaments, bones and cartilage. In this regard, the utility of ultrasound (US) imaging - which provides superior diagnostic and interventional opportunities for a musculoskeletal physician - is paramount for our specialty (1).

Likewise, it is apparent that US imaging allows physiatrists to first see (without resecting), then assess/quantify, and eventually have access to the anatomical structure or pathology (for any intervention) (2).

Ultrasound sessions during ISPRM 2018

As one of the growing topics in PRM, currently two parallel sessions are scheduled around the topic of ultrasound during ISPRM 2018, chaired by Dr Özçakar and by Dr Bhargava. Most likely a third session will follow from the abstracts submitted, as well as many posters.

A long workshop: Ultrasound applications in rehabilitation will take place on Sunday 8th.

Six short workshops have also

This gives PRM physicians the liberty to conduct multiple explorations and provide “comfort” to physicians and patients alike.

[Read more about our new Task Force and their objectives >>](#)

been accepted: US evaluation of nerves: median and ulnar, US guided head and neck muscles and salivary glands injections, use of US to evaluate spastic muscles or to guide spasticity treatment procedures (nerve blocks, chemoneurolysis...).

Get ready and find out more about the [ISPRM 2018 Scientific Program >>](#)

ISPRM in Mumbai, WCNR 2018

By Prof Taslim Uddin, Financial Manager ISPRM Disaster Rehabilitation Committee (DRC) and EC Member ISPRM



The World Congress of Neurorehabilitation (WCNR) 2018 was held in Mumbai, India from 7-10 February. During this Congress, organized by the World Federation of Neurorehabilitation (WFNR), a joint WFNR-ISPRM session on the topic **Disaster Rehabilitation** was held on 9 February.

The following topics were presented in the session: 1. Neuro-rehabilitation Disaster management - Chinese perspectives: Jianan Li | 2. Telemedicine in SCI - Nepal earthquake: Raju Dakhil | 3. Disaster Rehabilitation in Indonesia: Angela Tulaar | 4. Updates from the recent WHO-Global EMT meeting in Hong Kong – The way forward: Bhasker Amatya.

The session was attended well (almost a full house), presentations were interesting and the question and answers were stopped because of time constraints. One of the comments received was the request to see longer versions of such sessions in coming congresses.

The session was co-chaired by Taslim Uddin (Bangladesh) and Karakul V (India) and final comment with future directives of Rehabilitation Disaster management was made by Jianan Li (China).

Update on ISPRM 2020 - Dates & location confirmed



We are happy to share that the dates & location for the ISPRM 2020 World Congress, joint congress with the Association of Academic Physiatrists (AAP), have now been confirmed. The 14th ISPRM World Congress will take place from **4-9 March 2020, in Orlando, Florida, USA.**

We are aware that the location and dates are not in line with the regular timings of the ISPRM World Congress, and also the location is different from the one presented in the AoD in Kuala Lumpur.

As the initial location, Washington DC, could not provide a cost effective option in the original requested timeframe of early April (a very busy time for Washington DC), it was decided further options would be explored in a time range from February to Mid April, with the inclusion of more southern options. Ultimately,

the best bids arrived from Orlando, Florida and this is where the ISPRM World Congress will now be taking place.

ISPRM 2018 - International Innovation contest

During ISPRM 2018 an International Innovation Contest will be held. Do you know anyone or are you working on an innovative, technical or service project that could reduce disability in terms of care, rehabilitation or that could improve participation of disabled people? The deadline to apply for the innovation contest is **30 April 2018**.

[Find out more about the International Innovation Contest >](#)

Cochrane Rehabilitation Newsletter



The Newsletter contains an update on the Cochrane Rehabilitation activities, Cochrane Systematic Reviews and blogshots of rehabilitation interest.

[Cochrane Newsletter - Issue 4 - January 2018 >>](#)

[Cochrane Newsletter - Issue 5 - February 2018 >>](#)

Research Prize 2018 of the Fürst Donnersmarck Foundation

The Board of Trustees of the Fürst Donnersmarck Foundation Berlin, a foundation dedicated to the rehabilitation of persons with physical and multiple disabilities, awards a [research prize for neurorehabilitation](#) on a triennial basis.

The prize is awarded to current scientific research work in the field of neurological rehabilitation of persons with acquired damage to the nervous system. The deadline to apply is 30 June 2018.

[Find out more about the research prize and how to apply >>](#)

Upcoming events

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

▶ *ISPRM representatives will be present at the marked Congresses*

The following events will take place in the coming months:

ENDORSED BY ISPRM: [3rd World Online Master Course 2018 - Principles and Practice of Scoliosis Conservative Treatment \(PPSCT\)](#)

1 February - 31 October, online

▶ [ESPRM 2018](#)

1-6 May, Vilnius, Latvia

▶ [JARM 2018 - 55th Annual Meeting of the Japanese Association of Rehabilitation Medicine](#)

28 June-1 July 2018, Fukuoka, Japan

▶ [12th ISPRM World Congress 2018](#)

8-12 July 2018, Paris, France

[2018 Vacation Course on Physical and Rehabilitation Medicine](#)

16-27 July 2018, Sao Paulo, Brazil

If you want to have your upcoming event listed here as well, contact us through

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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 - ISPRM 2020

4-9 March, Orlando, USA

15th ISPRM World Congress - ISPRM 2021

Lisbon, Portugal



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