

31st Annual ISHLT: Pulmonary Hypertension Council Meeting Minutes

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San Diego, CA

Chair: Myung H. Park, MD

Vice-Chair: Robert Frantz, MD

Past Chair: Ray Benza, MD

1. 2011 Annual Scientific Meeting: 3rd year of establishing focused topics in Pulmonary Hypertension
 - a. Thanks to the Education Workforce Members for a terrific collaborative work in helping to form this year's PH sessions!
 - b. We had 6 PH focused sessions:
 - i. Pre-Meeting Symposium
 1. What's New in PAH
 2. Challenges in Lung Transplantation
 3. CTEPH
 - ii. PH Sessions
 1. Failing RV: Mechanisms and Management
 2. PH Complicating LV Failure
 3. Controversy in PH
 - iii. Satellite CME Meeting
 - iv. Scientific Sessions
 1. 2 oral abstract presentation sessions
 - v. 46 accepted abstracts in 2011
 1. 33 (2010)
 2. 50 (2009)
 3. 13 (2008)
 4. 24 (2007)
2. Looking ahead: 2012 Meeting in Prague, Czech Republic
 - a. Need your input for next year's meeting for topic suggestions, speakers, and format – suggested session topics:
 - i. Right ventricle – marked interest in this topic
 1. Imaging of RV
 2. Basic science of RV dysfunction
 - ii. Congenital heart disease
 - iii. Session on unexplained dyspnea
 - iv. Non-PAH PH session (Lung disease, heart disease)
 - v. Mechanical circulatory support for RV failure
 - vi. Inflammation in PH
 - b. **SUBMIT YOUR ABSTRACTS!!!**
 - i. Early email communications to submit scientific works
 - ii. This is the “backbone” of our sessions. Strongly encourage all members to submit their work!
3. Workforce Reports and Updates
 - a. Education Workforce – Dana McGlothlin
 - i. Report from Education Committee
 - ii. Planning Strategy for 2012 Meeting to start
 - b. Standard and Guideline Workforce – Evelyn Horn
 - i. ISHLT RV Paper Statement in its final phase – Robert Frantz
 - ii. PH in LHD paper – Jim Fang
 - c. Registries and Database – Mardi Gomberg-Maitland, Fernando Torres
 - i. Update on access to the ISHLT database – applications submitted
 - d. Communications – Deb Levine
 - i. ISHLT Links and communication methods being updated
 - e. Development Workforce – Srinivas Murali
4. Looking Ahead
 - a. Collaboration with PHA – PH Online University
 - b. Pulmonary Hypertension Monograph
 - c. Engaging our Junior Faculty Members
 - d. Meeting/Topic/Speaker Ideas and Input!!
5. Election in 2012 for PH Council to be held for the following positions:
 - a. Vice Chair
 - b. All Workforce Lead Positions