

ISHLT Pulmonary Scientific Council  
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Standard and Guidelines

There were several proposals for Guidelines to be produced by the Pulmonary Council. These proposals included:

- 1) Post transplant Care Guidelines
- 2) Donor Management Guidelines
- 3) Guidelines regarding the efficacy of double vs. single lung transplant

The Council was most enthusiastic about writing post lung transplant care guidelines. David Weill, as the Council representative to the Standards and Guideline Committee will meet with the Committee to discuss the process for writing Guidelines and the level of evidence required.

Registries and Databases

Dr. Hertz described the work group activities of the DCD group, which is actively collecting and entering data into the ISHLT Registry.

Communications

This Committee was dissolved by the ISHLT due to inactivity. There was some discussion about forming a communications group within the Pulmonary Council.

Quality of Life

Drs. Yusen and Singer described the two symposia regarding the QOL at the San Diego meeting. There were also 2 dozen abstracts regarding QOL at this year's meeting. Dr. Yusen asked Council members to consider Symposia proposals for next year's meeting in Prague. Dr. Singer described the activities of the QUILT Registry which is being piloted in 15 centers. The Registry purpose is to collect QOL data from 20 patients at each center as a proof of concept exercise. Other centers will likely be asked to participate after the pilot study is completed.

Development Liason

Dr. Davis pointed out that the industry support of the ISHLT has been cut in half and we need to better develop relationships with those in industry. He called on Council members to leverage existing industry relationships to help support the Society.

Education

Dr. Wigfield reported on the highly successful Lung Transplant Academy held Tuesday and Wednesday. There were nearly 200 registrations for this event. Looking to the 2012 meeting, several symposia proposals were put forward:

- 1) Mechanical Lung support (new modes of ECMO)
- 2) QOL
- 3) Desensitization (both pre- and post-operative)
- 4) Postoperative CF care
- 5) Modifiable Risk Factor Management

Also,, “educational gap” sessions (perhaps as sunrise sessions) were proposed:

- 1) SLT vs. DLT (Corris)
- 2) Revised BOS Guidelines (Ver Leden)
- 3) Litigation in Lung Transplant (Wigfield)
- 4) Clinical Trials in Lung Transplant (patient oriented research)

### Current Projects

- 1) BOS paper – the manuscript draft is in near final form
- 2) BAC paper – the working group is working on an editorial
- 3) AMR working group – meeting during the ISHLT to review goals
- 4) Palliative Care Survey – a paper will be coming out soon
- 5) Pulmonary Rehab Survey – there has been some difficulty gathering a list of transplant centers to survey
- 6) Google groups – there was enthusiasm for forming an electronic group that will discuss difficult cases, have job postings etc. Dr. Singer will get this started.