

#### **MEETING OF ISCO3**

Madrid, June 6th, 2014, 21:00 hours

**Nota Bene:** Those who participated in the meeting approved the minutes by e-mail on June 27<sup>th</sup>, 2014. Then the minutes were sent to all ISCO3 members for approval on Jul 7<sup>th</sup>, 2014. As no objection was indicated on July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2014 latest, the minutes are now valid for all ISCO3 members. An e-mail dated July 14, 2014 informed the approval of the minutes).

AEPROMO (Spanish Association of Medical Professionals in Ozonetherapy) organized in Madrid its fourth International Congress and third of IMEOF (International Medical Ozone Federation) "For a Professional Practice of Ozone Therapy" at the King Juan Carlos University (Campus of Alcorcón), Madrid, on June 6-7, 2014, which is one of the most important and modern public universities in Spain.

Taking advantage of the high number of ISCO3 members that would gather in Madrid for both congresses, the ISCO3 Secretary proposed the organization of a working dinner to discuss matters of interest to ISCO3.

## ISCO3 members who attended the meeting

- Dr. Velio Bocci, President
- Dr. Nabil Mawsouf. Vice President
- Dr. Adriana Schwartz, Secretary
- Dr. Froylán Alvarado Güémez
- Dr. Oksana Bitkina
- Dr. Ruhi Cakir
- Dr. Bernardino Clavo Varas (He did not attend it. Delegated his vote on Dr. Adriana Schwartz)
- Dr. Mirta Copello Noble (She did not attend it. Delegated her vote on Dr. Adriana Schwartz)
- Dr. Gregorio Martínez
- Dr. Eugeni Nazarov (ISCO3 external consultant)
- Dr. Sergey Peretyagin

ISCO3 Legal Advisor and Treasurer (no ISCO3 member): Mr. Roberto Quintero

#### **AGENDA**

- 1. Status of the following two ISCO3 draft papers:
  - (a) "Ozone in non-rheumatic locomotor system pathologies" by Alberto Alexandre and José Baeza.
  - (b) "Guidelines and recommendations for medical professionals planning to acquire a medical ozone generator" by Heinz Konrad.
- 2. The participants agreed that both documents had already received inputs from different members. Their authors decided to include or not the suggestions received and now are ready to be approved by majority of votes by all ISCO3. So both documents shall be circulated for approval. Deadline for approval: July 11, 2014.

## Status of the following ISCO3 draft paper:

3. "Learning methodology instructions and perfection in ozone therapy for medical doctors" by Froylán Alvarado y Nabil Mawsouf. The authors agreed to revise again the draft before sending it for discussion. A new draft shall be received by the secretariat at August 31, 2014 latest.

## Status of the Madrid Declaration on Ozone Therapy - Accessions to the Declaration

- 4. The ISCO3 Legal Advisor informed the excellent results achieved in the accession process to the Declaration. The latest ones have been:
  - Argentine Ozone Therapy Medical Association (AMAO).
  - Association of Professional Treatment with Ozone Therapy in Chile (APPTO3).
  - Chinese Federation of Ozone Therapy (CFOT).
  - Colombian Association of Ozone Therapy (ACO).
  - International Association of Ozone in Healthcare and Dentistry (IAOHD).
  - Portuguese Society of Ozone Therapy.
  - Pakistani Association of Ozone Therapy
  - Venezuelan Association of Medical Professionals in Ozone Therapy (AVEPROMO).
  - The signatures have increased to 37. The following date of the ISCO3 meeting the Swiss Medical Society for Ozone and Oxygen Use in Treatment and Prevention adhered also to the Declaration.
- 5. So 38 national and international associations and federations have signed the Declaration, I.E., 95 % of the associative world of ozone therapy.
- 6. The Madrid Declaration on Ozone Therapy has become the only truly global document of ozone therapy which is applied worldwide in all countries where ozone therapy is widely applied.

#### Process of updating the Annex to the Madrid Declaration on Ozone Therapy

7. There was a general consensus among the participants that the time has come to update the Annex to the Declaration taking into account the new developments occurred in the fields of research, applicability of ozone, and to include in the annex specific paragraphs on dentistry and veterinary.

- 8. The participants agreed on the following procedure for updating the Annex:
  - To appoint a drafting committee set up by the following four members: Drs. Nabil Mawsouf, Adriana Schwartz, Gregorio Martínez, and Froylán Alvarado.
  - The drafting committee has the authority to elaborate its own working agenda; to create working subcommittees, including for dentistry and veterinary, integrated by specialized professionals.
  - It was clearly stated by the participants that the working committee must send a
    worldwide general call asking health professionals and associations to send their
    proposals to the drafting committee. It is very important that the ozone therapy
    world feels that all those concerned have the possibility to express their opinions
    and present their inputs.
  - The proposals for modifications that ISCO3 secretary has already received shall be sent to the drafting committee.
- 9. After the meeting the working committee appointed at its president Dr. Gregorio Martínez with the duty to collect the proposals received and to prepare a draft. This draft will be circulated exclusively among the working committee of four members for approval. Once it has been approved the draft paper shall be circulated among all ISCO3 members for inputs and suggestions. Based on the proposals received the draft paper should be modified and eventually will be circulated for approval.
- 10. Once it has been officially approved the updated Annex, the new version of the Declaration shall be put on the ISCO3 web site and to disseminate it worldwide as much as possible to persons and associations dealing directly or indirectly with ozone therapy in the same way that it has been done up to now.

## Voting system to approve the updated version

- 11. As per article 16 of the ISCO3 rules any proposal that the committee "adopts it has to obtain half of the votes plus one more from all the participating members who participate in the voting directly or by proxy. Blank ballot-paper shall not be taken into account. In case of tie, the President shall have a casting vote to resolve the deadlock."
- 12. Taking into account the importance of the Declaration the participants agreed that the Declaration shall be adopted by the favorable vote of two thirds of the votes from all the participating members who participate in the voting directly or by proxy. Blank ballot-paper shall not be taken into account. In case of tie, the President shall have a casting vote to resolve the deadlock."
- 13. This means the following: ISCO3 is integrated for a maximum of 21 members and the 21 have right to vote. However, if at the moment of voting, for example, only 15 members participate, the two thirds of the votes shall be based on 15 members and not on 21.

## Regularization process of ozone therapy in different countries

14. The ISCO3 Legal Advisor Roberto Quintero summarized the work accomplished on this subject. The following ten countries has set up "rules of the game" to practice ozone therapy: China, Cuba, Honduras, Italy (four regions out of 20, and two rulings

- of administrative courts), Sultanate of Oman, Portugal, Russia, Spain (15 communities out of 17), Dubai, Federal city of the United Arab Emirates UAE. In Turkey the government is currently in the process of regularizing ozone therapy along with some complementary/alternative/complementary/integrative medicines. The Legal Advisor of ISCO3 has been asked to cooperate in this drafting process of the regularization.
- 15. The Legal Advisor has given, totally ad-honorem, although is a time consuming exercise, legal advices to different national and international ozone therapy associations. Following official requests he has also provided opinions and suggestions directly to authorities.
- 16. Although the work accomplished is very important, the Legal Advisor emphasized it is still very limited and he asked ISCO3 members to get involved more in the regularization process in the countries where they are working.
- **17.** He indicated that two ISCO3 official papers are seriously contributing to support the regularization work: "Ozonetherapy and legislation. Analysis for its regularization" by Dr. Adriana Schwartz and Mr. Roberto Quintero; and "The ozonetherapy and its scientific support" by Dr. Adriana Schwartz and Dr. Gregorio Martínez.

#### Resignation of Dr. Lamberto Re

- 18. The participants took note of the "irrevocable resignation" from ISCO3 of Dr. Lamberto Re (e-mails of Dr. Re, April 8 & 11, 2014 sent to some members of ISCO3 and other persons non members of the committee).
- 19. As it was an "irrevocable resignation" the participants accepted his resignation.

# Review of the participation of ISCO3 members

- 20. The secretary informed that the following three members have not answered several emails sent to them in spite of having requested them to do it. So no official contact has the board with them. These persons are: Drs. Tiron Stefan (Romania), Roberto Dall'Aglio (Italy), and Takeo Watarai (Japan).
- 21. As per the minutes of the ISCO3 meeting of June 7th, 2012, approved on July 27<sup>th</sup>, 2012, Dr. Tiron Stefan was requested to answer the e-mails sent to him by ISCO3, otherwise his membership should be cut. As Dr. Tiron Stefan has not given concrete evidence of improving his way of working with ISCO3, the participants agreed that his membership has to be cut.
- 22. The members agreed that the Secretariat ask Drs. Roberto Dall'Aglio, and Takeo Watarai the reasons for not answering the e-mails sent by ISCO3 giving to them a clear deadline to answer and according to their replays to act accordingly.
- 23. The secretary informed that the membership of Dr. Med. Vet. Siegfried Schulz (Veterinary Surgeon) as ISCO3 consultant was also cut because he never contacted the committee and his whereabouts at not known by ISCO3.

#### **ISCO3 Forum**

24. The secretary proposed the creation of an open email forum in the web site of the committee. This could be the right place where any ozone specialist can freely subscribe to communicate, to make proposals, to ask questions, to get advice and

- assistance on subjects related to ozone therapy. In addition it would be an excellent window opportunity to make more known ISCO3.
- 25. The participants approved the proposal that shall be implemented and administered by the Secretariat before the end of 2014.

#### **Budget of ISCO3**

- 26. Article 17 of the rules of ISCO3 deals with the subject of donations that the committee may receive. It says nothing about contributions that its members shall provide to the committee.
- 27. Treasury Roberto Quintero informed that a few members have contributed economically on voluntary and irregularly basis to ISCO3. The Committee has expenditures such as the web site, internet, mail, translations of official government documents, etc. Up to now most of the expenditures has been paid exclusively by AEPROMO.
- 28. All participants members agreed that each member of the committee shall contribute to the committee between 100€and 400€per year. Some participants gave the contribution at the end of the meeting.

The meeting ended at 23:00 hours.

(Signed) Dr. Velio Bocci ISCO3 President (Signed) Dr. Adriana Schwartz ISCO3 Secretary