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RULES OF ISCO3

(INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE ON OZONE THERAPY) FOR THE

ELECTION OF THE COMMITTEE FOR THE FIVE YEAR PERIOD 2025-2029 (January 1, 2025 – December 31, 2029) Arts. 6 (g-h), 23 to 25 of the By-Laws of ISCO3

Taking into account that the five years period for the current members of the committee is due to expire at the end of 2024, so the new committee shall initiate its five years period on January 1, 2025 and shall end on December 31, 2029.

Considering that it is time to elaborate a calendar to elect the new committee for the new five years period: 2025-2029.

THE GOVERNING BODY DECIDES THE FOLLOWING

Point 1. By-laws of ISCO3

The by-laws of ISCO3 shall govern the election process in particular the following articles:

Article 24. REQUIREMENTS FOR BEING MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE The following requirements must be taken into account for joining the ISCO3: Personal status, commitment to the objectives and the work of the ISCO3, profession, geographical representation, language, *ad-honorem* activity, acceptance of the "Declaration of Madrid on Ozone Therapy"; number of members and additional criteria.

- a) Personal status. The ISCO3 must be an independent committee; and its members shall act on the same exclusively on their own responsibility.
- b) Commitment to the objectives and work of the ISCO3. Being a member of the ISCO3 must be considered a great honor. For this reason each member must demonstrate a clear commitment to the objectives of the Committee; and carry out their duties and activities punctually in line with the deadlines laid down by the President and / or the secretary.
- c) Profession. The members of the ISCO3 must be professionals in the health sector and specifically in ozone therapy, backed by their *Curriculum Vitae*. They must demonstrate experience and knowledge of ozone therapy; participation in the dissemination of this therapy, backed by presentations at national and international level and / or participation as instructors in ozone therapy training, and publications in medical scientific journals or books, etc.
- d) Geographical representation. Efforts shall be made for elected members of the ISCO3 to be from different continents.
- e) Language. English is the only working language of the ISCO3. Therefore, its



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members must speak English.

- f) *Ad-honorem* activity. The members of the ISCO3 shall carry out their functions *ad-honorem*. Its members shall not receive any type of remuneration from national or international ozone therapy associations, or from any pharmaceutical or commercial company, or from the public or private sectors.
- g) Acceptance of the "Declaration of Madrid on Ozone Therapy". All members must have signed the "Declaration of Madrid on Ozone Therapy" before presenting their candidacies.
- h) Number of members. For the carrying out of its work the ISCO3 must have a minimum of seven and a maximum of thirty persons.
- i) Additional criteria. There shall be no discrimination in the selection of members based on gender, religion, age or race.

Art. 6, h) Participate actively in the process of analyzing, discussing and approving the new edition of the Madrid Declaration on Ozone Therapy is an obligation of all the members of the committee, who must know it in detail, promote it, disseminate it, defend it, implement it in their daily practice and propose scientifically based modifications to the Governing Body they consider this appropriate.

Article 25. LOSS OF MEMBERSHIP

This article sets the reasons for which a member shall lose his status of member: No to participate in the work of ISCO3; no to stick to the duty of confidentiality; no to pay the annual fees previously approved.

Point 2. Additional requirements

Applicants must be aware of the different official documents issued by ISCO3 that are hung on the web site of the committee. https://isco3.org/officialdocs/ and must comply in their daily activities with the different guidelines of ISCO3, such as the "Non-recommended routes of application in ozone therapy".

Point 3. Current ISCO3 members

If a current ISCO3 member wishes to apply for the period 2024-2029 she or he must apply again to be reelected as any other applicant. The Qualification Committee must take into account for the current members the "Code of Conduct of Members of ISCO3" of January14, 2018 and their active participation in the activities of the committee.

Point 4. Documentation that each candidate must present and where to send it Those who are interested in becoming members of the ISCO3 shall send to the ISCO3 Secretary (info@isco3.org), no later than December 1, 2024 the following documents:



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- A reasoned letter stating the reasons why she or he wants to joint ISCO3 and clearly stating that she or he adheres to the "Madrid Declaration on Ozone Therapy".
- The *Curriculum Vitae* form "Template for Curriculum Vitae Summary" dully filled out in English that is found in the web site of ISCO3 / Official Documents / Quality Assurance https://isco3.org/officialdocs/
- Documentation supporting the contents of the letter and the CV.
- Send the application on December 1, 2024 latest to: <u>info@isco3.org</u>

Point 5. Qualification Committee

The Qualification Committee has the duty to integrate a list with those candidates who fulfill the selection criteria as stated in the above-mentioned points 1 and 2; and in addition, for the current members of ISCO3 the point 3.

The Qualification Committee shall send the list of those selected to the secretary giving a reasoned explanation for the selection of each one.

Point 6. Right to vote

Only the current members of ISCO3, who are up to date in the payments of their annual fees, have the right to vote in the election of the new committee for the period 2024-2029.

Point 7. Voting system

Upon receiving from the secretary the list of those selected and the reasoned explanation given by the Qualification Committee the ISCO3 members shall select, among all candidates included in the list, a maximum 30 persons. No more.

Point 8. Voting communication results and substitute members

The counting vote shall be done by the Qualification Committee. The 30 candidates that have received more votes shall be the members of the new committee. The following five candidates shall be Substitute Members who may be appointed by the Governing Body in case of death, resignation, expulsion, or any other reason of one of the members of the committee.

Point 9. Election of the new board

The current president shall convene as soon as possible a meeting via e-mail of the new committee to elect the New Governing Body set up by the president, vice president and secretary.

Point 10. Members of the Qualification Committee

Dr. Adriana Schwartz and Enrique Chavarría.



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Point 11. Interpretation of the ISCO3 rules

Should a particular situation has not be foreseen in the current rules of the election process of the new committee, or its content may lead to different and/or contradictory interpretations, the Governing Body with the assistance of the Legal Advisor, shall find the best appropriate solution to deal with it in a fair way.

Point 12. Schedule for the election of the ISCO3 committee 2025-2029

December 1, 2024	Deadline to apply to become member of ISCO3
December 4, 2024	The secretary sends to the Qualification Committee the list of applicants along with their documentation.
December 6, 2024	The Qualification Committee sends to Secretary only the list of those who comply with all the requirements to be elected.
December 7, 2024	The secretary sends to all ISCO3 member the list of selected members for voting.
December 15, 2024	Last day for voting for the current ISCO3 members who are up to date with their annual dues.
December 18, 2024	The secretary informs the composition of the committee for the 5 years period 2024-2029.

After December 18, 2024, the president shall convene as soon as possible a meeting via email of the new committee to elect the New Governing Body set up by the president, vice president and secretary.