

Newsletter January 2010

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7th NSMM Meeting March 17-18 Oslo, NO

The seventh Scientific Meeting of NSMM will take place on Thursday March 18 2010. The meeting is held at Rikshospitalet, Oslo University Hospital, Sognsvannsveien 20, Oslo, Norway, which is connected to the centre of Oslo by a convenient tram. The meeting is free of charge but require valid membership of the NSMM society.

A welcome dinner will be held the evening before March 17th at the Brasseri Sanguine in the new Oslo Opera in the heart of Oslo (www.oslooperahouse.com / www.operaen.no).



New Oslo Opera

Provided a sufficient number of participants register in time, a guided tour will be arranged – so REGISTER TO DAY!! (Dinner fee: 500 NOK ~ $62 \in$)

The scientific meeting March 18 will focus on **Host Pathogen Interactions** during invasive fungal infections. We open the meeting with an overview of host pathogen interac-tions and immunotherapy, proceeded by clinical aspects particularly in patients with asthma and children, and concluding with issues related to recent trends in management such as susceptibility testing, emerging resistance and molecular diagnostics. We have the honour to have four distinguished international key-note speakers:

L. Romani Professor Microbiology Section, Department of Experimental Medicine and Biochemical Sciences, University of Perugia, IT who will talk on The Role of the Immune System in Fungal

Infections

D. Denning Professor of Medicine and Medical Mycology, University Hospital of South Manchester, UK who will talk on Fungus induced Asthma – Diagnosis and Treatment.





A. Warris MD, PhD, Department of Paediatrics, University Medical Centre St. Radboud, Nijmegen, NL who will share her great experience on Fungal infection in the immunocompromised child with us

and

P. Verwej Professor at Department of Medical Microbiology, Radboud University, Nijmegen Medical Centre NL who will update our knowledge on Emerging resistance in Europe.



So please Register NOW - don't miss this outstanding opportunity in Nordic grounds.

Download registration form at <u>www.nsmm.nu</u> or contact the organisers

Peter Gaustad <u>peter.gaustad@rikshospitalet.no</u> or Ingvild Nordøy <u>ingvild.nordøy@rikshospitalet.no</u>

The full programme is found at our web page and also attached this mail.

EFISG / ESCMID / NSMM Postgraduate Course

Invasive fungal infections: Host – pathogen interactions

A two-day post graduate in depth course on Host Pathogen Interactions during invasive fungal infections will be held on March 16 -17, 2010 also at the Rikshospitalet University Hospital, Sognsvannsveien 20, Oslo, Norway.

The course will provide participants with a review on biological characteristics, including virulence factors, of the most common medically important fungi. In addition, you are updated on the host immune response



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to these pathogens and future perspectives will be discussed.

The course is aimed at medical doctors, scientists, clinical microbiologists or pharmacists, involved in diagnosis, prophylaxis and treatment of invasive fungal infections. Junior staff members are strongly encouraged to apply.

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Annual General Meeting 2009

The AGM 2010 will be held March the 18th at at Rikshospitalet, Oslo University Hospital, Sognsvannsveien 20, 16:30-17.00, just after the 7th scientific meeting.

The Agenda is the following:

- 1. Report from the president Maiken Cavling Arendrup
- 2. Report from the general secretary Pentti Kuusela
- 3. Report from the treasurer Ditte Saunte
- 4. Next scientific meeting Topic and Venue
- 5. Election of board members

The following members of the board have now served the 3 year-term: Maiken Cavling Arendrup DK (accepts re-election) and Lena Klingspor se (accepts re-election).

According to the statutes, the candidates for the new Board should be nominated no later than three weeks before the AGM. Nominations to the board can be made by any two members of the Society. If more than one nomination is received, the Society shall proceed to lections by ballot at the AGM. <u>Current board members</u> On election year:

Maiken Cavling Arendrup (President)	2010		
Lena Klingspor (Vice president)	2010		
Propositions from the members			

Propositions from the
Any other business

Board members not running for election this year:

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Pentti Kuusela (General Secretary)	2012
Ditte Saunte (Treasurer)	2011
Peter Gaustad (Meetings Secretary)	2011
Vanda Friman	2011
Ingvild Nordøy	2012
Eira Poikonen	2012

TIMM 2013

The NSMM board has decided to go for hosting the Trends In Medical Mycology (TIMM) conference in Copenhagen in 2013 as a new conference venue "The Tivoli Congress Centre" appropriate for 1500 participants will be opened ultimo 2010 in the centre of Copenhagen close to the Tivoli Gardens and the harbour. A formal bid will be prepared and submitted before May 1st.

We see this as a possible opportunity to put the Nordic Society at the global map. Any comments or suggestions are welcome.





The 5th TIMM will be in Valencia, Spain, 2- 5 October 2011.

Membership and Payment

Please remember to pay your membership fee directly to any of the banc accounts in the 4 Nordic countries. Individual member (three years): $20 \notin / 150 \text{ DKK } / 200 \text{ NKK } / 200 \text{ SEK}$ Life member: $70 \notin / 500 \text{ DKK } / 500 \text{ NKK } / 500 \text{ SEK}$ Corporate member : $700 \notin / 5000 \text{ DKK } / 5000 \text{ NKK } / 5000 \text{ SEK}.$

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Please note that no personal reminders are sent out and that it may take a while before you appear on the membership list as this is only updated a few times a year.

New members: Go to our web-site <u>www.nsmm.nu</u> and register online. Membership is valid as soon as the membership fee is received at any of the banc accounts in the 4 Nordic countries. Regular membership is valid for 3 years, the first year being the year of registration and payment. The current fee is $20 \notin /150 \text{ DKK} / 200$ NOK / 200SEK. Alternatively membership for life can be obtained by registrering for permanent membership (70 \notin / 500 DKK / 500 NOK / 500 SEK)

Unless there are directions to the contrary, membership nominations approved before September 1st are credited to the current year. Nominations approved after September 1st will become effective the following January.

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Sponsors

Again this year it has been possible to raise sponsor support for this year's meeting in Oslo. We gratefully thank

Astellas, Gilead, MSD and Pfizer for their generous and equal contributions.









On behalf of the Society:



Maiken C. Arendrup, President NSMM