

EuSEM Section Geriatric Emergency Medicine Minute number 2

Business meeting: 29 September 2014, 9 am to 10 pm

Attended by: Abdel Bellou (Chair of the EuSEM GEM section), Simon Conroy (Chair of the EUGMS interest group), Jay Banerjee (EuSEM), Christian Nickel (EuSEM), Olivier Ganansia (EuSEM), Marc Sabbe (Treasurer of EuSEM), Simon Mooijaart (member of the EUGMS interest group), Fredrik Sjöstrand (member of EuSEM).

Apologies: Alexandre Jeleef (EuSEM), Richard Wolfe (EuSEM)

Objectives for 2015

Missions and tasks of the section are available in the EuSEM website. They are focused on the quality of care of the older patients in emergency medicine settings (pre hospital and ED). The group will work on three domains, Organisation, Education, and Research.

1- Collaboration with the interest group of the European Union of Geriatric Medicine Society (EUGMS)

A joint session EUGMS/EuSEM on frailty was organised in Rotterdam on 19 September 2014. It was successful; slides will be sent to the group. Now we need to fix names of the EUGMS interest group who will be involved in the joint group. The EuSEM rules says that the members of a EuSEM section must be members of EuSEM but we can consider that others could be considered as geriatrician experts and are involved for specific tasks. I didn't raise this point during the meeting: a MOU must be proposed and signed by the two societies then we will not have problem of membership. This should be done quickly to validate our joint group by the two respective society boards. Simon and Abdel will fix the situation.

2- Research project

Relevant research in GEM is needed in the pre-hospital and the ED. Merging researchers who are working in this field will be helpful for setting a European GEM Research Group. A EU accreditation could be given to this group. A strategy will be defined with the objective to set research projects focused on intervention in the pre-hospital and the ED settings.

3- EuSEM GEM course/Curriculum of GEM

The section will have the task to write the GEM curriculum, which is very poor in the European Curriculum of Emergency Medicine. The curriculum will be helpful for organising a European course on GEM that will be held in different cities of Europe.

4- GEM book

Two proposals are on the table. One comprehensive book and one more related on algorithms and practical for emergency physicians but also geriatricians. The group decided to pursue both books. The deadline for the first one is to be ready for October 2015 and presented during the EuSEM Torino congress. The name of this book is: Geriatric Emergency Medicine: The Essentials.

5- GEM Section website

It was decided that we will have a shared website between EUGMS and EuSEM. Alexandre Jeleef and Fredrik Sjostrand will work with representatives of EUGMS. This webpage must be attractive and will reflect the work of the section.

6- GEM session for Turino EuSEM congress 2015

We have to set the GEM track of the section (3 sessions of 3 talks each). We decided to organise a one day and half pre conference workshop which could be and an rehearsal of our European GEM course. We should improve our talks and be more pragmatic and bring the up-to-date to emergency medicine professionals. The first session state of the art in Amsterdam was probably too general without interaction but the acoustic in the room conference was not good. We all had this impression. Clinical questions and Research session were more interactive and seem to have interested the audience. We will keep the format up-to-date in GEM, GEM Clinical questions and GEM Research. Slides presented during Amsterdam should be in the EuSEM section and EUEMS Interest group web page.

Other business:

It was proposed a two days road map seminar. Six members of the section and 6 members of the EUGMS Interest Group will be invited. During this seminar, the content of the GEM curriculum and the Research project will be fixed.

The date has to be fixed. It will be proposed that expenses (trip, 2 nights hotel, breakfasts-lunches-dinners, meeting room) will be shared by the two societies. Quotations of costs are in process and should be ready soon.

Dates of Skype meetings must be fixed every two months.

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