

***The Diabetes and Nutrition Study Group (DNSG) of the EASD
Kuopio, Finland, June 28 -30, 2007***

***Minutes of the General Assembly of the 25th International Symposium on
Diabetes and Nutrition
June 30, 2007***

- A) The meeting was opened by the Chairman, Angela Rivellese at 16:00.
- B) Minutes from the 24th International Symposium on Diabetes and Nutrition, held in Salerno, Italy, on June 28 –July 1st 2005 were approved by the members of the General Assembly (the minutes were sent to members via www.DNSG.org).
- C) One hundred and nineteen people participated in the 2007 Symposium. There were 13 invited lectures and 32 oral and poster presentations.
- D) The following new members were approved by the general assembly:
- 1) C. Dimosthenopoulos (Greece)
 - 2) H. Brekke (Sweden)
 - 3) F. Helgraby (France)
- E) Present and future activities/collaborations:
1. The joint symposium with ESPEN on: “Prevention of Diabetes and its complications” was held in Istanbul (October 2006). The two lectures made by our representatives were: Prevention of Diabetes, by M. Uusitupa, and Prevention of chronic complications, by B. Vessby.
 2. At the next EASD annual meeting in Amsterdam (September 2007) a symposium proposed by DNSG and approved by the scientific committee will be held on Thursday Sept. 20th at 8.30.

The title, the chairpersons and the speakers of the Symposium will be:

Gene-diet interaction in relation to diabetes, metabolic risk and cardiovascular diseases

Chairpersons:

A. Rivellese - A. Pfeiffer

Speakers:

T. Rankinen - Energy metabolism and risk of obesity

J. Ordovas - Lipid abnormalities

M. Uusitupa - Risk of diabetes

P. J. Talmud - Cardiovascular risk

3. The web site is alive and fully working as shown by the statistical data sent by Utility (more than 800 visitors during the last 12 months)

4. Working groups

- The working group on "Implementation of dietary recommendations", coordinated by M. Toeller, is continuing to work and some of its activities are on the web site;
- The working group on "Nutrition recommendations for critically ill patients with hyperglycemia", set up last year, will start working as soon as possible;

5. Application for the "observer status" at CODEX

- The study group has asked EASD to apply for this status and to nominate the chairman of DNSG as its representative. The Executive director V. Jorghens replied that this should be possible; we are now waiting for the final decision by the EASD president.
- In relation to the topics on "Dietary fibre definition" a common statement has been prepared and accepted by the members participating to the General Assembly; the statement will be sent to CODEX when the "observer status" is obtained.

F) Treasurer's report (by the chairman in the treasurer's absence)

- The available amount on the bank account is approximately €14 000.

The report was accepted by the members of the General Assembly.

G) Young Investigators Awards and Travel Grants:

- Young Investigators Awards (Novo Nordisk)
 - L S Mortensen
 - A M Ottelin
 - K S Whiteford

- Nutricia Travel Grants:
 - N Behm
 - T Klupa

H) Proposals for Future Meetings:

- 2008 Bulgaria (M. Petkova)
- 2009 Germany (A. Pfeiffer)
- 2010 Norway (I. Bergstad)
- 2011 Italy (G. Mingrone)

The proposals have been accepted

8. Renewal of the DNSG committee

- I. Bergstad, J. Chwalow, A. Kofinis, U. Julius, A. Rivellese have concluded their term.
- Proposal for new committee members :
 - G. Mingrone (Italy)
 - C. Thomsen (Denmark)
 - G. Heitkamp (Germany)
 - A. Thanopoulou (Greece)
 - I . Mostad (Norway)

The proposal has been accepted

- Proposal for officers:

A. Pfeiffer Chairman

V. Vuksan Vice-chairman

U. Riserus Secretary

U. Schwab Treasurer

The proposal has been accepted

The General Assembly was closed at 17.30

Angela Rivellesse
EASD chairman
June 2007