

ENDOCRINE SOCIETY MEETING IN BOSTON

- April 1-4, 2016: 7,528 total scientific attendees, 9,450 total attendees, with 38% of the attendees from outside the U.S.
- Many GRS members attended the meeting and were able to get together, enjoy each other, and the beautiful Boston weather including a snow storm!
- This was the 100th year anniversary of the Endocrine Society. Before many of the presentations, brief 'historical notes and stories' were presented.
- A highlight was the 2nd GRS booth; our first at ENDO (see p3)

FACTS ABOUT GRS COUNCIL

There are 12 Council members representing clinical (both adult and pediatric) and basic research. They are elected for a 4 year term. Each member can serve for two consecutive terms. The President is elected by the Council Members and serves for a two year term. The current Council Members are Professors at their respective institutions:

Pinchas Cohen, M.D. (President) / **Martin Bidlingmaier, M.D. (Secretary)**
John J Kopchick, Ph.D. (Immediate Past President)
Gudmundur Johannsson, M.D., Ph.D. (President Elect)
Margaret Boguszewski, M.D. / **Andrew Hoffman, M.D.**
Juliane Leger, M.D. / **Sally Radovick, M.D.** / **Richard Ross, M.D.**
Catherine Choong, M.D. / **KO Lee, M.D.**

GRS Council Approved a new position and group to focus on new member recruitment.

Chair Membership Committee: Beverly MK Biller

Committee Members: Maximilian Biellohuby, Margaret Boguszewski, Gudmundur Johannsson (ex officio), Peter Kamenicky, Juliane Leger, Sally Radovick, Martin Bidlingmaier (ex officio)

Volunteers for the Committee welcome! Email bbiller@partners.org

UPCOMING EVENTS

GRS-IGF CONGRESS

- Tel Aviv (Nov. 6-9, 2016)
- **Late breaking abstract submission will be open between September 1- 8, 2016**
- **Save the date and plan to attend the next GRS General Assembly meeting on Tuesday, Nov 8 (17:15-18:15).**
- **Travel awards are available.**

THE 8th INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS OF THE GRS AND IGF SOCIETY

6-9 NOVEMBER 2016 TEL AVIV

Invited Speakers

- Roger O. Konberg (Stanford, USA) "Transcriptional regulation"
- Ino JergelPradoArchfeld (San Rafael, Brazil) "Insulin-like growth factor receptor signaling"
- Leon Bach (Melbourne, Australia) "Clinical and molecular biology of IGF1R: more than an IGF2 receptor?"
- Bronya F. Fyfe (Lisbon, Portugal) "IGF1R signaling in the embryonic development of primates"
- Peter Kamenicky (Ott, Texas) "Growth hormone regulation of endometrial cancer"
- Beverly M.K. Biller (Boston, USA) "Growth hormone and aging"
- Marta Korhonen (Helsinki, Finland) "Growth hormone and aging"
- Martin Bidlingmaier (Munich, Germany) "IGF1R signaling in clinical practice"
- Andreas Quattrone (Brescia, Italy) "IGF1R signaling in endocrine"
- Maureen Marzley (Oxford, UK) "IGF1R signaling in endometrial cancer"
- Michael J. Waters (Dunedin, Australia) "IGF1R signaling in endometrial cancer"
- Her Harzli (New York, USA) "IGF1R signaling in endometrial cancer"
- Phyllis Society Symposium
- Albert Becken (Lyon, Belgium) "Genetic causes of GH deficiency"
- Christian Strasburger (Berlin, Germany) "Growth hormone and aging"
- Martin Bidlingmaier (Munich, Germany) "IGF1R signaling in clinical practice"
- Andreas Quattrone (Brescia, Italy) "IGF1R signaling in endocrine"

For Registration and Abstract Submission: www.grs-igf2016.com

FUTURE GRS-IGF CONGRESS

- Seattle, Washington, USA (Sept. 14 – 17, 2018)

GRS is planning a 25th Anniversary Symposium and 'birthday celebration' at the ECE meeting in Lisbon, Portugal on Friday afternoon, May 19th, 2017. Keep your eyes 'open' related to this as it is now in the planning stages.



SUPPORTING MEMBER NEWS

During the recent Endocrine Society Meeting in Boston, the GRS council hosted a dinner on April 1, 2016, for its Supporting Members, a group of companies committed to supporting research in growth hormone biology and the development of novel therapeutics and assays for the treatment of both GH deficiency and excess. GRS supporters now number an unprecedented fifteen companies who were almost all represented in the dinner.



Items discussed:

- Outcome of the Long-Acting GH Workshop
- The format of the GRS sponsored workshops
- Potential subject of future workshops

GRS WORKSHOPS AND CONSENSUS/POSITION/PERSPECTIVE STATEMENTS.

One of the main missions of the GRS (that makes us unique) is to host periodic workshops in which experts in a given area of 'GH action' meet, discuss and debate the issue. This work ultimately results in a GRS Workshop and Consensus/Position/Perspective Statement that is published in a peer reviewed journal. To date, we have published 13 consensus statement/perspectives. You can see these on our web site www.ghresearchsociety.org.

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### PUBLICATION RESULTING FROM OUR MOST RECENT WORKSHOP: **Growth Hormone Research Society perspective on the development of long-acting growth hormone preparations**

\* Held in Asilomar, California; (Nov 5-7, 2015)

Eur J Endocrinol. 2016 Jun;174(6):C1-8. doi: 10.1530/EJE-16-0111.

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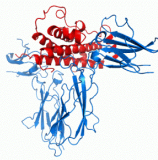
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PITUITARY SOCIETY NEWS

The Pituitary Society is pleased to announce that Andrea Giustina has started his term as President as of July 1. Additionally, in March 2016, the Society voted in Anthony Heaney as the next President-elect.

The 2016 Membership Meeting and Dinner in Boston was well attended by members of the Growth Hormone Research Society (GRS), including a large representation of the GRS Executive Committee.

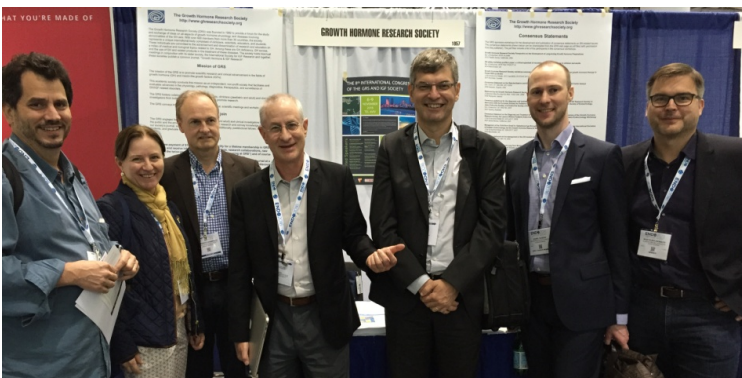
Save the Date for the 15th International Pituitary Congress, which will be held March 29-31, 2017, in Orlando, Florida. Please check the website www.pituitarysociety.org this Fall for registration information.



GRS HAD ITS 2ND BOOTH AT THE ENDOCRINE SOCIETY ANNUAL MEETING IN BOSTON.

This occurred after the successful 1st booth at the ECE meeting in Dublin, May 2015.

- Very special thanks to Sally Radovick for arranging the booth
- Thanks to Martin B, Beverly B, Margaret B, Catherine C, Hassy C, Andy H, Gudmundur J, Sally R and Haim W for set up and 'staffing' the booth
- 10 new members joined GRS via the booth and we welcome them!



GRS thanks our Supporting Members for their continued and enthusiastic support!



As noted in a previous Newsletter, Supporting Members can now Sponsor Satellite Sessions at our Meetings. Satellite policies are:

- Timing of satellite meetings must not conflict with GRS meeting times
- They may occur before or after the GRS-IGF Congress or may be held as a breakfast meeting
- Host of the Satellite meeting will organize and support the entire event
- Speakers for the Satellite meeting must be submitted to GRS-IGF Program Organizing Committee for approval (so as not to conflict with speakers in the GRS-IGF Congress)