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SYMPOSIUM: "SURGERY OF THE SPASTIC UPPER LIMB" PARIS, 10-11 MARCH 2017

PURPOSE OF THE SYMPOSIUM

Although surgery has been performed in the management of spasticity of the upper limb for many years, it has not developed much until there was increased awareness of its potential several years ago, thanks to new concepts and new approaches.

This meeting, which to the best of our knowledge was the first of its kind, aimed at gathering specialists involved in the surgical care of the spastic upper limb, in order to exchange our surgical experiences and outcomes, and hopefully to clarify the indications of this highly specialized surgery. For this purpose, besides asking world renown specialists for several lectures each, we included in the faculty whoever wanted to share their experience, amounting to a faculty of 49 (see list attached)

The second goal of the meeting was to inform all related specialists (physiatrists, physical and occupational therapists) of the surgical possibilities, which unfortunately still remain widely ignored or have a negative reputation in many teams around the world. And for this purpose, we designed an ambitious program dealing with all aspects of surgery for the whole upper limb.

ATTENDANCE

The response to the advertisement for this Symposium was extremely positive, and registration was already fully booked one month prior to the meeting. Thanks to the generous sponsorship from the IFSSH, we were able to secure a second room with simultaneous projection which allowed 30 more participants to subscribe.

Altogether, 180 people attended the meeting, coming from 48 different countries. Thanks to the IFSSH sponsorship, we were also able to help five attendants with their lodging, and waive the registration fees for the faculty, and 10 more attendants with limited resources.

CONTENT

The content of the Symposium was very dense, but thanks to the faculty who stuck carefully to their speaking time, there was plenty of time for discussion, which was well received by the audience. Although no formal evaluation was performed after the meeting, the large feedback we received was extremely positive.

FUTURE PERSPECTIVES

A frequent question after the Symposium was about the next meeting.....

There seems to be a wide interest in continuing this program, both for scientific and educational purposes. It is our feeling that a formal group should be created around this subject, and that a regular encounter (for example every other year) should be planned.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

This Symposium would not have been possible without the support of the members of the faculty who all came at their own expenses, sometimes from very far away, and we are extremely thankful to all of them. We are also very grateful to the IFSSH, whose sponsorship allowed us to increase the attendance, to waive a number of fees, and to keep expenses under control, with a final positive balance (300 €)

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16. Mathilde GRAS (Paris, France)
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Round Table discussion: left to right Isabelle LAFFONT (France), Françoise LAPIERRE (France) and Claudia GSCHWIND (Australia)



Former residents of the Institut de la Main. Left to right: Adeline CAMBON-Binder (France), Paolo PANCIERA (Italy), Catalina PARROT (Chile), Renata PAULOS (Argentina), Caroline, Sabrina GALLEGO (Columbia), Nathalie BINI (Italy)



Caroline experimenting the latest technology



Turker OZKAN (Turkey) and colleagues