

## Electrophysiology PIA (EPIA) Business Meeting Summary

**Location:** ExCel London (Platinum Suite 1)

**Date:** Saturday, July 15, 2017

**Time:** 2:30 - 3:30 p.m.

**PIA Chair(s)/Meeting** Fiona Randall

**Facilitator(s):**

- 1) Fiona Randall summarised the progress of the E-PIA this year including the increased regular meetings of the steering committee and the actions with the white paper and the poster awards. The goal in the next year will be to build on that and have a successful FRS application at next year's AAIC as well as write some review articles on hot topics that use electrophysiology such as Epileptiform Activity and Alzheimer's Disease.
- 2) Fiona Randall thanked the steering committee for their efforts and discussed the need for healthy turnover of committee members and raised the suggestion that additional steering committee members be identified in the next year. The E-PIA is also still looking for a communications chair.
- 3) PIA membership is growing – 162 this year. The committee made efforts this year to engage the research community by writing a white paper and also by emailing all presenters with electrophysiology content informing them that they were being considered for E-PIA poster awards and inviting them to the E-PIA day session. Many wrote back to say they couldn't attend because of the schedule but would like to be involved in the PIA.
- 4) PIA day attendance was low - the E-PIA members wanted to raise the discussion with the Alzheimer's Association about ways to increase attendance on PIA day.
- 5) The potential to combine the PIA day session with another PIA was raised (potentially the Inflammation and Neurodegeneration PIA) to permit a more balanced and broad program to attract attendees was discussed. This will be discussed again.
- 6) Claudio Babiloni presented some slides illustrating the EPIA White Paper on the contributions of Electrophysiology to AD research. The paper is complete in all parts thanks to the contribution of many Electrophysiology experts in the field, including EPIA members and invited external researchers. Claudio Babiloni will

prepare the final version of the EPIA White Paper to be sent to the EPIA steering committee for comments and suggestions by the end of September 2017.

- 7) Claudio Babiloni presented some slides with a proposal for a regularly maintained and information E-PIA website to be developed in the next year (September 2017-July 2018). The proposal was discussed with the audience. Keeping in mind this discussion, Claudio Babiloni will elaborate a revised proposal to be sent to the EPIA members for comments and suggestions by the end of September 2017.