



WRSC Meeting 30/04/2019
Northern General Hospital, Sheffield

Present: M Lee, P Coe, A Ward, V Proctor, L Wheldon, R Clarke, D Ashmore

Apologies: A Sayers, A Peckham-Cooper, A Buchanan, J Burke, B Lineham, O Spence, V Kantola

Agenda:

1) Update on MACHO (cholecystostomy in acute cholecystitis) (PC)

- Retrospective audit planned
- 12 sites in set up
- REDCap needs to be configured
- Sheffield IG approvals in motion

Actions:

- *ML to complete IG forms*
- *Coe/Clarke/PC to set up REDCap forms for MACHO*
- *Coe/Clarke/PC to liaise with sites to ensure set up progressing*

2) Update on MASH (Management of Acutely Symptomatic Hernia) (VP)

- Being lead by Sayers/Proctor with support from Spence and Lee. External support from Neil Smart (Exeter)
- Planned 3/12 prospective cohort of all acute hernia presentations (except parastomal)
- To assess variation in practice and generate idea for a bigger fundable study
- Application to British Hernia Society for £2000 funding successful
- Opportunities for more to support design at this stage. Liaise with Sayers & Proctor.
- Protocol and CRFs provisionally designed

Actions:

- *ML to circulate docs to those in attendance at meeting for feedback.*
- *Sayers and Proctor to finish building steering & delivery group*

3) Update on AUGMENT (AW)

- Data collection closed, just under 1,000 complete datasets on posterior ankle fractures.
- Interesting data on variation coming through questionnaires.



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- Clinical data analysis on going.
- AW will consider data with a view to designing a trial or similar which could be run through WRSC in the near future.
- Both systematic reviews (completed with medical students!) have been accepted for publication.

Actions:

- *Augment team to complete analysis, interim results at next meeting*

4) Future Projects

- ML may ask for support with an unfunded project looking at nutrition in emergency laparotomy patients later this year. This is for a project run by Tim O'Connor, one of the AFPs.
- Beth Lineham has indicated interest in running a future orthopaedic study. AW to liaise re: this
- Agreed that emergency general surgery is an easy and interesting area for the group to focus on. See comments under 'next meeting'.
- Gantt chart circulated with this email.

5) External projects

- PC reminded attendees that SUNFLOWER (MRCP for low risk of CBD stone in pts undergoing lap chole) is running and is designed for trainees to be involved with, especially as associate PI.

6) Elections

- Decision made not to proceed with elections at this meeting due to limited attendance and some potential committee members not able to attend.
- Agreed the elections should be undertaken at the next meeting, with Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary, & Webmaster up for election. ML will be stepping down from the chair at this point.
- Potential candidates can put themselves forward by emailing ML directly with a short statement of why they are applying for the role. They must be able to attend the next meeting.

7) Next meeting

- Agreed this should be held in Leeds to keep alternating pattern



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- Proposed date of Tues 25th June @1830hrs
- The agenda for this will be circulated, but will include time for brainstorming or pitching ideas related to EGS. Please see the attached PDF on gaps in EGS research to stimulate thinking.

Actions

- *Josh please can you book a room in Leeds for the above meeting and confirm details with Adele.*
- *All members review constitution (attached)*
- *All members review gap document prior to next meeting*