

NACP • Nordic Association for Clinical Physics

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ANNUAL REPORT 2004 - 2005

The Nordic Association for Clinical Physics (NACP) was founded in 1962. The last and final general assembly of the NACP was held on June 10th. 2004. At this meeting the NACP was reorganised, got a new constitution, and since then the NACP is an umbrella organisation for the five nordic physics societies.

The Annual Report shall normally be prepared by the president, approved by the council and sent to the presidents of the national member organisations (NMO). This Annual Report will include the period from June 2004 until end 2005, and will be approved on the second council meeting in 2006.

Aims and purposes of the NACP

- a) To foster and co-ordinate the activities of the Nordic member organisations in the field of clinical physics in all its aspects.
- b) To establish relationships and collaboration where appropriate with national, regional and international societies and bodies in the fields related to clinical physics.
- c) To improve the standard of clinical physics activities within the Nordic countries.
- d) To promote Nordic co-operation within the field of clinical physics in scientific work, developments and education.
- e) To promote the exchange of scientific information on clinical physics and related fields of science.
- f) To recommend standards for education, training and accreditation programmes within the fields of clinical physics.
- g) To encourage scholarships and the exchange of scientific experts within appropriate fields.

The council of NACP:

During the report period the council has been

President:	Rune Hafslund	Norwegian Society for Medical Physics
Secretary:	Jørgen Petersen	Danish Society for Medical Physics
Treasurer:	Cathrine Jonsson	Swedish Society for Radiation Physics
Webmaster:	Ari Pääkkönen	Finnish Association of Hospital Physicists
	Pentti Tornainen	from Jan 01 th , 2005
Delegate:	Gardar Myrdal	Icelandic Society of Biomedical Engineering and Medical Physics

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Strategy

The council has decided to establish a structure for the organisation based on need and simplicity. This means we will not start any activity without explaining why this activity is within the aims and purposes for the NACP. It also means we will try to make an “self-driven” organisation where the council plan, organise and make decisions and where task groups do most of the scientific and practical work. We will move forward slowly and try to make a solid foundation for a prosperous Nordic Association for Clinical Physics.

Work in the Council:

The council had 2 meetings in 2004 and 4 meetings in 2005. All council meetings were telephone meetings lasting usually for one hour. The president prepared agendas for the meetings. Minutes were usually taken by our secretary. All minutes were approved on the next council meeting and are to be found on our password protected web-pages. All council members should also send the minutes to the president of their NMO.

The council has worked on the following tasks:

- Organisation of the society
 - Establish a archive for official letters on password protected domain on our website
 - Establish e-mail addresses
 - Official letterhead
- Constitution
 - Minor changes before publishing on web-pages
- Website
 - Establish web-address
 - Create a password protected domain for council members only
 - Establish duties for web-master
- Establish awards
- Establish task groups
- Planning for an official NACP meeting
 - The annually Norwegian “MedFys-dagene” and the annually Danish “DSMF symposium” are allowed to label themselves as NACP supported meetings and to use the NACP logo
- Establish contact between NACP and the governmental radiation protection dosimetry groups

The result of this work can actually be seen by going to our website.

The constitution

The basic principles for the constitution were approved on the general assembly in Bergen on June 10th. 2004. Since than the council has made minor changes in editing and spelling, and the constitution could be found on our web-pages from December 2004.

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Awards

In the council meeting 02-04 on Dec. 02th, the council decided to start work on establishing some kind of travelling awards. In December 2005 the council came to an agreement with Varian for a “Varian – NACP travelling grant”. The council are still working on similar agreements with other companies within the field of clinical physics.

Task Groups

In the council meeting 02-04 (Dec. 02th.) the council also decided to start work on establishing a task group on Continuous Professional Development (CPD). All NMO's has appointed a representative to the CPD-task group, and on council meeting 02-05 (June 09th.) the task group and its members were officially formed. The CPD-task group consist of these members:

From Denmark:	Kjeld Olsen (contact person)
From Finland:	Simo Hyödynmaa
From Iceland:	Gardar Myrdal (as observer)
From Norway:	Kjell Inge Gjesdal
From Sweden:	Bertil Axelsson

Aims and Terms of Reference for the group were approved by the council on the council meeting 04-05 (Dec. 22th.)

Account

In our council meeting 01/05 on March 10th, our secretary report to have got access to the old NACP funds.

The NACP (organisation number 802400-5343) have at it's disposal a bank account in Handelsbanken (Solna, SWEDEN). Cathrine Jonsson, the NACP treasurer, has the right to make withdrawals from the account.

On Dec. 31th, 2005 the balance is 26 826 SEK, i.e approximately 2839 EUR.

Bergen, May 12th., 2006-05-12

Sign.

Rune Hafslund
President

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