



WFSLMS

World Federation of Societies for
Laser Medicine and Surgery

NEWSLETTER NO.3

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ATTENTION

During the 15th Congress of the International Society for Laser Surgery and Medicine (ISLSM) at Munich, The Forum of The World Federation of Societies for Laser Medicine and Surgery (WFSLMS) will hold a meeting on Wednesday, June 25, 2003, 4:00 pm – 6:00 pm at the same congress site.

Would you please tell us if you can attend to the 7th Forum or not?

Please copy this page and give us the reply to our e-mail address. (jml@magical2.egg.or.jp.)

Yes, I can.

No, I can't.

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The History of the Formation of WFSLMS No.1

This newsletter is delivering a series on the history of the formation of WFSLMS. The series will present the minutes and / or a summary of each meeting, concerning the formation of WFSLMS, along with comments from those who attended.

The first of this series covers the meeting held at the Greek Medical Laser Association (GMLA) at Athens, Greece in 1996. The list of attendants of this meeting and all subsequent meeting is also presented below.

PART 1

The idea of formatting the “**World Federation of Societies for Laser Medicine and Surgery**” was officially put on paper during the International Laser Congress “**Lasers at the Dawn of the Third Millennium**”, September 24-27, 1996 in Athens, Greece, organized by the Greek Medical Laser Association (GMLA).

During this congress, the **FIRST INTERNATIONAL LASER FORUM «LASER SOCIETIES FACING 2000»** took place on September the 27th, 1996. **Co-ordinators: Dr Panos Kondoyannis, Dr Nic Nicolopoulos, Editor: Dr Andrew Tsourouktsoglou.**

The Laser Societies that participated and their representatives, were:

- 1.- AMERICAN SOCIETY for LASER MEDICINE and SURGERY, Dr. R. Gregory, Dr. R. Lanzafame
- 2.- ASIAN PACIFIC ASSOCIATION for LASER MEDICINE and SURGERY, Prof. I. Kaplan
- 3.- BRITISH MEDICAL LASER ASSOCIATION (BML), Dr. K. Moore
- 4.- EUROPEAN LASER ASSOCIATION (ELA), Dr.J. Carruth
- 5.- GERMAN SOCIETY FOR LASER MEDICINE, Dr. K. Dinstl
- 6.- GREEK MEDICAL LASER ASSOCIATION (GMLA), Dr. C. Economou

- 7.- INTERNATIONAL MUSCULOSCELETAL LASER SOCIETY, Dr. W. Siebert
- 8.- INTERNATIONAL PHOTODYNAMIC ASSOCIATION, Dr. J. Carruth
- 9.- INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY for LASER SURGERY and MEDICINE (ISLSM), Dr. B. Aronoff, Dr P. Ascher
- 10.- ISLSM - Nursing, P. Smalley
- 11.- INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY for LASER DENTISTRY, Dr. L. Powell
- 12.- INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY of COSMETIC LASER SURGEONS, Dr. L. David
- 13.- ISRAELI SOCIETY for LASER MEDICINE and SURGERY, Dr. Azaz
- 14.- JAPANESE SOCIETY for LASER SURGERY and MEDICINE, Prof. K. Atsumi, Dr. T. Innoue
- 15.- SPINAL FOUNDATION, Dr. M. Knight
- 16.- THAILAND LASER SOCIETY, Dr. N. Nimsakul
- 17.- WORLD ASSOCIATION for LASER THERAPY (WALT), Dr. S. Rochkind, Dr. G. Calderhead

Exerpts from this meeting:

Dr. Nimsakul:

...So the best thing is to have everybody here on the table become members of the ad hoc committee and then we can communicate with fax or e-mail or anything else, and you, the people of the GMLA, are the one who are doing all this.

...it may be a new confederation or something else, not doing the scientific things, but we will be just the organisation officially organising everybody. But as I stated, the most important thing is the financial problem and who are going to sweat for all these things. I think the Greek Medical Laser Association can have the right to start this thing.

Dr. Nicolopoulos:

...if we would like to make something unique, we would probably do something regional in the area because this will cost much less money. It will be more easy to reach the place and we can perform every year a small meeting and this will be in rotation.

...Every time in another country and this will probably open the doors for people for a

co-operation regarding practising and can be initiated probably by national researchers.

Dr. Ascher:

...a new Confederation, or whatever. Somewhere we have to make a start and I think we have made today the start.

...I think that the idea of having everyone here as an ad hoc, really is an excellent idea but we need someone to sort of organise that, perhaps a chairman, so we can get together, take these recommendations, or perhaps make some recommendations and perhaps take them back to our individual societies and see if we can find a basic set of principles.

...Or agree on a basic set of principles that would satisfy everyone, or at least as many as possible so that we can carry forward. I am also concerned that the efforts that you, the people of GMLA, have made and the efforts that we have all made will be lost if we do not do something concrete right now.

Reported by Dr. Nic Nicolopoulos

Report on the Blood Saving Campaign (B-SAC) No.2

B-SAC Commences in Japan with the Support of the Rotary Club

Dr. Toshio Ohshiro reports on his involvement with B-SAC and the support that he has gained at the Tokyo Central Rotary Club.

As I reported in the outline of "WFSLMS & B-SAC" in Newsletter 2, I spoke about B-SAC on February 6 that we WFSLMS are going to develop with The Tokyo Central Rotary Club.

I emphasized that the more we use Laser treatment which is effective in blood-saving

and less tissue damage compared with conventional treatment, the more we could contribute to the welfare and well-being of mankind. Also I spoke that blood saving surgery and medicine will lower the recurrence rate of malignant tumors.

As a result, we founded a B-SAC arrangements committee within The Tokyo Central Rotary Club and started to study Blood Saving. B-SAC is due to be started not only in Japan but also in Bangkok, Thailand by Narong Nimusakul. We are going to start B-SAC with the support of the Rotary Club and develop it into global campaign.

At the meeting of medical laser societies in each country and community, you can speak B-SAC. And then the B-SAC will be a global campaign. Full acceptance of B-SAC by the people by raising their QOL will support to develop WFSLMS and laser societies. I will give a special lecture on B-SAC at the 15th ISLSM (Munich) congress and I would like to ask for your attendance.

(Reference)

B-SAC by Surgical Laser Treatment

- 1 . B-SAC by Laser Scalpels
- 2 . B-SAC by Cell or Chromophore Selective Laser Treatment
- 3 . B-SAC by Tissue Selective Laser Treatment
- 4 . B-SAC by Photodynamic Laser Treatment
- 5 . B-SAC by Other Surgical Laser Treatment

Taking a Turn for a Better Bylaws

In Newsletter No.2 we presented the proposed Bylaws for WFSLMS. We have received many opinions and presently the Newsletter Committee is trying to incorporate these opinions into the Bylaws. We plan to present the amended Bylaws in Newsletter No.4.

**All opinions concerning the Bylaws are welcome !!
Please voice them through e-mail.**

Call for information of your Medical Laser Society

Please cooperate for the aggregation of information concerning laser associations and societies. Even partial information will be accepted.

- 1) As Secretary General, Ohshiro has opened the website of International Medical Laser Information Center (IMLIC) within his website for his laboratory,
Japan Medical Laser Laboratory (JMLL) in Japan.
The URL of IMLIC is <http://www.jmll.co.jp/imlic/>
Website expenses will be covered by Ohshiro.
- 2) At the IMLIC website, information concerning WFSLMS, and also information of association or society of laser medicine and surgery all over the world are presented
- 3) This website will be used as a tool for exchanging information.
Any information concerning lasers and laser societies are requested.

Information format

Please click double the sample format below, fill in the form and send it back to the following e-mail address:

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information

The official name of Association or Society	World Federation of Societies for Laser Medicine and Surgery		
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The number of the members	300		
others	area	World-Wide	
	category	Medical, Dental, Veterinary, etc	

About next Congress	The date of the next Congress	June, 2005	
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