

Dear Friends and Colleagues,

I know that those of you who are coming to St. Louis are working hard on getting your slides and posters together (I am way behind on mine, too!) and would like to know more about the logistics of your presentations. Hopefully this message will help.

The Program is nearly final, and you can see all of the details and presentation times below. Please let me know if you see any errors in your name or in the title of your presentation, because we are trying to get the entire program, including the abstracts, online so that people can create their own itineraries.

We are sending this message to all the SRHSB members so they can see how the entire meeting is shaping up.

Oral Presentations:

- All presentations will be 10 minutes – approximately 8 minutes for your talk + 2 minutes for discussion.
- Slides should be in PowerPoint format.
- Arrangements are being made for each presenter to upload their slides to a file-sharing site in their name in advance of the session; detailed instructions to follow.
- Most of the presentations will be given in a 95-seat tiered auditorium (Eric P. Newman Educational Center – EPNEC - Seminar B) with a podium, microphone, laser pointer, and slide advancer.
- A technician will be available to assist with slide projection.
- Please note that 5 spina bifida-related oral presentations will be held on Friday afternoon as a session separate from the ICCS presentations. This decision was made so that all of the SRHSB presentations (except the Guthkelch finalists) would be allowed the same amount of time. Because of the large number of ICCS abstracts, ICCS presenters are allowed 4-6 minute talks with 2-3 minutes of discussion; SRHSB presentations would have had to conform to these timings, which would have been shorter than our 10-minute hydrocephalus presentations.

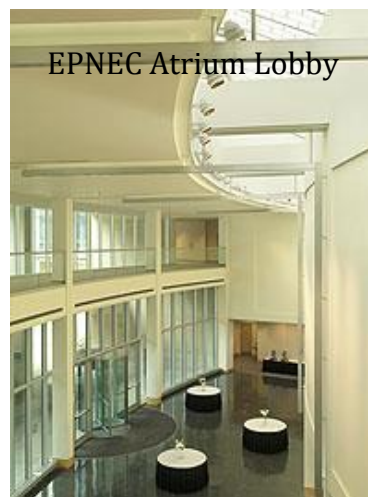


Guthkelch Finalist Presentations:

- All presentations will be 15 minutes – approximately 11 minutes for your talk + 4 minutes for discussion. These times were chosen because of the prestige of the award and the need to thoroughly judge each finalist.
- Slides should be in PowerPoint format.
- Arrangements are being made for each presenter to upload their slides to a file-sharing site in their name in advance of the session; detailed instructions to follow.
- Most of the presentations will be given in a 95-seat tiered auditorium (Seminar B) with a podium, microphone, laser pointer, and slide advancer.

Poster Presentations

- All posters will be located in the Atrium Lobby of the EPNEC, where the Welcome Reception and all breaks will take place. Thus, your poster will get lots of exposure throughout the meeting.
- Maximum dimensions of each poster should be 90 cm (35 inches) wide x 120 cm (47 inches) high.
- To maximize space, 2 posters will be located on one side of a poster panel; each poster panel is 122 cm (48 inches) high x 244 cm (96 inches) high.
- Posters should remain for the entire meeting. Since the Welcome Reception will take place in the poster area, those wanting maximum exposure may mount their posters anytime on Wednesday afternoon, June 21.



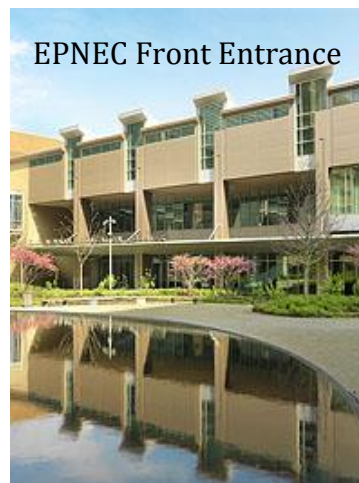
Clinical Case Presentations

We are still looking for interesting clinical cases for our Clinical Cases pre-meeting, which will be held on Wednesday, June 21, 13:00 – 17:00 in the BJCIH 10th floor Conference Room A/B. Admission is free. As you know this is a very popular part of our conference and gives people from all different professions in medicine the opportunity to discuss tricky and challenging cases. We **extend our deadline** for sending cases to be included in the program until **June 10**. Please send your cases to either of the pre-meeting organizers: Roger Bayston (Roger.Bayston@nottingham.ac.uk) or Marcus Pauly (pauly-castro@web.de).

Weather and Attire in St. Louis

It is definitely warming up in St. Louis. As I write this at 21:00 it's 33°C (73°F) with 51% humidity and clear skies. If you believe the weather-person, the prediction for June 20, 2017 is a high of 33°C (91°F), a low of 21°C (70°F), 51% humidity, and sunny skies.

In keeping with our SRHSB traditions, this conference is intended to be relaxed and *casual!* Formal attire is not required during the meeting (I might wear my 30-year old SRHSB tie for about 5 minutes), although any one who wants to dress up is welcome to do so. Also keep in mind that both our Outing at the Botanical Gardens on Thursday afternoon and our dinner at The Bauernhof at Grant's Farm will be casual; there will be plenty of walking at the Botanical Garden and the dinner that evening will take place in a courtyard that feels like a beer garden.



Contact Information

Please feel free to contact any of the following people if you have questions or comments:

- Emily Brown – meeting organizer for Rx Worldwide (emily.brown@infinixglobal.com)
- Andy Wynd – SRHSB Honorary Secretary-elect (andy.wynd@sbhscotland.org.uk)
- Pat McAllister – SRHSB President and Co-Host of the St. Louis Meeting (pat.mcallister@wustl.edu)

Kindest Regards to All,
Pat McAllister
President, SRHSB