

## Training and teaching activities 2014-2018 for the Cochrane Hepato-Biliary Group

### Introduction:

**Cochrane Hepato-Biliary Group (CHBG) Meetings and Exhibitions** during the annual European Association for the Study of the Liver (EASL) and American Association for the Study of Liver Disease (AASLD) meetings. **Other 'non-fixed' CHBG meetings with educational activities have also been run.**

At the EASL and AASLD international annual meetings, CHBG reviews are presented by their authors at organised by the CHBG Editorial team office staff CHBG affiliated EASL or AASLD meetings or symposia. The presentations are followed by discussions. Presenters at the CHBG meetings are review authors from around the world.

During the exhibitions, the work of CHBG is presented to meeting attendants, or current authors of reviews, or prospective authors are provided with the possibility to discuss various issues; from types of reviews and review development to software for developing the reviews. For each of these exhibitions, we hang up posters on the walls of the CHBG shell scheme booth, focused on Cochrane methodology or presenting systematic reviews. We prepare various educational and informational material to give away to visitors visiting the CHBG booth.

Meetings with CHBG editors, attending also these international meetings, are also organised to discuss CHBG-related work.

### 2014

#### EASL

1. The 34th Bi-Annual CHBG Meeting. April 11, 2014. 9:15 am to 11:45 am at Royal Free Hospital, at Pond Street London, NW3 2QG. London, UK. Presenters from the CHBG Editorial Team (ET) office: DN; KN (Kristiana Nikolova); CG.
2. CHBG Editors' meeting at Royal Free Hospital, 11.04.2014. Place: Royal Free Hospital, London, UK.
3. CHBG exhibition April 10 to April 12, 2014, London, UK.
4. Basic residential course: 8.10.2014-11.10.2014. "Diagnosis and prognosis: clinical and research problems". Place: Palazzo Feltrinelli, Gargnano, Lago di Garda, Italy. Organised by Centro Interuniversitario "Thomas C. Chalmers and Alessandro Liberati" – Italy; Università degli Studi di Milano; The Multiple Sclerosis and Rare Diseases of the CNS Group; The Copenhagen Trial Unit (CTU), The Cochrane Hepato-Biliary Group, Rigshospitalet, Copenhagen, Denmark. Tutors: DN and CG from The CHBG ET office.

## AASLD

1. The 35th Bi-Annual CHBG Meeting, affiliate event at The Liver Meeting®. November 10, 2014, 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm, Boston, USA.  
Presenters from the CHBG ET office: None, but a review which CG co-authored was presented.
2. CHBG exhibition during the LIVER® meeting, Boston, MA, USA. November 8 to November 10, 2014.

## 2015

### EASL

1. The 36th Bi-Annual CHBG Meeting. April 23, 2014. 3:30 pm to 5:00 am. Vienna, Austria  
Presenters from the CHBG ET office: CG; Janus Christian Jakobsen (JCJ)
2. CHBG exhibition April 22 to April 26, 2014, Vienna, Austria.
3. Meeting with *gastroenterologists* in Palermo 27.08.2015. Two-hours meeting focusing on evidence-based medicine. Prof. Luigi Pagliaro (a former CHBG editor) was invited as a guest of honor.
4. Bi-annual CHBG web-based and face-to-face editors' meeting. 27.08.2015. 4 pm. Villa Magnisi, at Ordine dei Medici Chirurghi e degli Odontoiatri della Provincia di Palermo (Via Rosario da Partanna 22, Palermo 90100, Italy. Invited guest was Luigi Pagliaro who delivered a lecture.
5. Diagnostic accuracy studies: clinical and research challenges. 20.09.2015 to 23.09.2015. (Planned and prepared, but had to be cancelled because of other problems)  
Place: Palazzo Feltrinelli, Gargnano, Lago di Garda, Italy.  
Organised by Centro Interuniversitario "Thomas C. Chalmers and Alessandro Liberati" – Italy; Università degli Studi di Milano; The Copenhagen Trial Unit (CTU), The Cochrane Hepato-Biliary Group, Rigshospitalet, Copenhagen, Denmark.  
Tutors: DN and CG from CHBG ET office.
6. Workshop. Cochrane colloquium. Vienna. 2015 (03.10.2015 - 7.10.2015 October). Trial Sequential Analysis controls random error risks.  
Place: Vienna, Austria (Schubert 4 in systematic review meta-analyses)  
Facilitators: Ralf Bender, Christian Gluud, Janus Christian Jakobsen, Georgina Imberger, Rebecca Turner, Jørn Wetterslev  
POSTER. P1-068 'False positive findings in cumulative meta-analysis with and without application of trial sequential analysis'. Georgina Imberger; CG; Jørn Wetterslev (JW), and colleagues.

## AASLD

1. The 37th Bi-Annual CHBG Meeting, affiliate event at The Liver Meeting®. November 16, 2015, 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm, San Francisco, CA; USA  
Presenters from the CHBG Editorial Team (ET) office: none, but reviews which DN and CG co-authored were presented.
2. CHBG exhibition November 13 to November 17, 2015.

## 2016

### EASL

1. The 38th Bi-Annual CHBG Meeting. Joint workshop EASL – CHBG. April 13, 2016. 08:00 am to 11:00 am. Barcelona, Spain  
*The joint workshop was based on four CHBG reviews of interventions for different liver conditions (chronic hepatitis C; hospitalised liver patients; primary biliary cirrhosis; and hepatic encephalopathy). The harms and benefits of the different interventions for these conditions have been evaluated in the systematic reviews with meta-analysis, Trial Sequential Analysis, and network meta-analysis. Furthermore, a CHBG diagnostic accuracy test review on non-invasive diagnostic tests for oesophageal varices was presented. The learning objectives were to understand the powers and weaknesses of systematic reviewing outperforming even large single randomised clinical trials. Chair: Christian Gluud (Denmark), Cecilia Rodrigues (Portugal).*  
Presenters from the CHBG Editorial Team (ET) office: Joshua Feinberg; CG.
2. CHBG exhibition April 13 to April 16, 2016, Barcelona, Spain.

### AASLD

1. The 39th Bi-Annual CHBG Meeting, affiliate event at The Liver Meeting®. November 13, 2014, 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm, Boston, MA; USA  
Presenters from the CHBG Editorial Team (ET) office: Joshua Feinberg (JF) presented a review on nutrition support which JCJ and CG also co-authored. Emil Eik Nielsen (EEN) presented a review on direct acting antivirals for chronic hepatitis C which JF, JCJ, SLK, DN, and CG also co-authored.
2. CHBG exhibition November 11 to November 15, 2016.  
JF participated at the LIVER meeting with a poster “Cochrane Hepato-Biliary Systematic Review: Nutrition support in hospitalised adults at nutritional risk. Joshua Feinberg (DK), Emil Eik Nielsen (DK), Steven Kwasi Korang (DK), Kirstine Halberg Engell (DK), Marie Skøtt Rasmussen (DK), Kang Zhang (CN), Maria Didriksen (DK), Lisbeth Lund (DK), Niklas Lindahl (DK), Sara Hallum (DK), Ning Liang (CN), Wenjing Xiong (CN), Xuemei Yang (CN), Pernille Brunsgaard (DK), Alexandre Garioud (DK), Sanam Safi (DK), Jane Lindschou (DK), Jens Kondrup (DK), Christian Gluud (DK), and Janus C Jakobsen (DK).

## 2017

1. COPEDIA. 4th World Congress on Controversies in Pediatrics. March 30 to April 1, 2017  
Place: Amsterdam, The Netherlands

Session Chair: CG + Presenter: CG (The benefits of methylphenidate for children and adolescents with attention-deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD): Are the results so special and are they valid?); The harms of methylphenidate for children and adolescents with attention-deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD): are the results so special and are they valid?

#### EASL

1. Basic residential course: April 4 to April 8, 2017. "Diagnosis: the pathway of a diagnostic test from bench to bedside".  
Place: Palazzo Feltrinelli, Gargnano, Lago di Garda, Italy.  
Organised by Centro Interuniversitario "Thomas C. Chalmers and Alessandro Liberati" – Italy; Università degli Studi di Milano; The Multiple Sclerosis and Rare Diseases of the CNS Group; The Copenhagen Trial Unit (CTU), The Cochrane Hepato-Biliary Group, Rigshospitalet, Copenhagen, Denmark.  
Tutors: DN and CG from CHBG ET office.
2. CHBG exhibition April 20 to April 22, 2017, Amsterdam, The Netherlands.
3. Meeting with the EASL Governing Board 21.04.2017  
Aim: to discuss possibilities for educational joint CHBG/EASL meetings (presentations on methodology of systematic reviews and presentations of most recent or new CHBG reviews).  
Participants/representatives: DN and SLK
4. Meeting in the Parliament House (Folketinget) 04.05.2017  
Place: The Parliament building, Copenhagen, DK  
Presenter: CG. [Clinical trials save lives... who will pay?] Kliniske forsøg redder og forbedre liv... hvem vil betale?

#### AASLD

1. CHBG exhibition during the LIVER® meeting, Washington, DC, USA. November 20 to November 24, 2017.

#### 2018

##### EASL

1. CHBG exhibition April 12 to April 14, 2018, Paris, France  
CHBG presentation 'Chronic hepatitis C. Direct-acting antivirals for chronic hepatitis C review (available from the Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews 2017, Issue 9. Art. No.: CD012143. DOI: 10.1002/14651858.CD012143.pub3' during the "Critical reflection on landmark papers 2017" session. 13.04. 2018 from 17:30 to 18:00.  
Presenter: CG. Opponent: Jean-Michel Pawlotsky (FR)

#### AASLD

1. CHBG exhibition during the LIVER® meeting, San Francisco, CA, USA. November 9 to November 13, 2018.

**CHBG ET staff on working visits  
2015**

From August 22 to August 28, 2015, CG, Goran Bjelakovic, syst. review author and CHBG editor from Serbia (GB), and DN were on a working visit in Palermo, Italy to work together with Rosanna Simonetti, syst. review author and CHBG editor (the host), and Giovanni Perricone, syst. review, on a review with a title: "Plasma expanders for people with cirrhosis and large ascites treated with abdominal paracentesis".