**WFNR SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP ANNUAL REPORT**

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| Name of Special Interest Group | Special Interest Group on Autonomic Neurorehabilitation (ANSIG) |
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| Number of Members | We don’t have a list of members. The number of people attending the ANSIG/INUS symposium during the 11th World Congress for NeuroRehabilitation was to my knowledge 46. |
| Key objectives and action plan | **AIMS**   * To raise awareness of a variety of autonomic disorders where neurorehabilitation plays a key role in management * To facilitate education and training in autonomic neurorehabilitation * To promote and build a network for research in autonomic neurorehabilitation, including clinicians, human physiologists and researchers * To lead on the integration across disciplines * To facilitate collaboration with other Scientific Societies and other international bodies (WHO, association of patients, families and NGOs) working within the field * Make advances in utilising drugs with pharmaceutical companies (i.e. Droxidopa, botulinum toxin) * Make technological advances (i.e. Finapres Medical Systems) * Interface with other SIG   + Spinal Cord Injury - Humberto Cerrel Bazo   + Rehabilitation for Movement Disorders – Rajinder Dhamija   + Cervical Spondylotic Myelopathy- Jozef Opara |
| Activities during previous 12 months | **Conferences:**   * 6th Congress of the European Academy of Neurology * **59th International Spinal Cord Society Annual Scientific Meeting** * 11th World Congress for NeuroRehabilitation (WCNR) * 50th Annual Conference of ASIA * International Spine and Spinal Injuries Conference (ISSICON) 2020   **Collaboration:**   * ISCoS - International Spinal Cord Society   + Dr Hagen is Treasurer of ISCoS   + Dr Hagen is member of the Education Committee   + Dr Hagen is member of the Editorial Committee of *Spinal Cord*  INUS – International Neuro-Urology SocietyCollaboration with Dr Jalesh Panicker, UCLH/ UCL  * ASIA – American Spinal Injurie Association   + Dr Hagen is member of the Education Committee on behalf of ISCoS * ISSICON - International Spine and Spinal Injuries Conference   + Dr Hagen has participated giving lectures and participating in evaluation panel   **11th World Congress for NeuroRehabilitation (WCNR):**  **ANSIG/INUS symposium**   * Bowel dysfunction in spinal cord injury **Anton Emmanuel (London/GB)** * Lower urinary tract dysfunction in spinal cord injury **Jalesh Panicker (London/GB)** * Sexual dysfunction in men with spinal cord injury **Jean-Gabriel Previnaire (Berck/FR)** * Cardiovascular autonomic dysfunction in spinal cord injury [**Ellen-Merete Hagen (London/GB)**](https://programm.conventus.de/index.php?id=wcnr2020&tx_coprogramm_programm%5Bautor%5D=1409&tx_coprogramm_programm%5Bsession%5D=51&tx_coprogramm_programm%5Baction%5D=autor&tx_coprogramm_programm%5Bcontroller%5D=Source&cHash=9878be622a04defd2d0c9a970bdf60d4)   **SIG meeting**   * Cardiovascular autonomic dysfunction in spinal cord injury [**Ellen-Merete Hagen (London/GB)**](https://programm.conventus.de/index.php?id=wcnr2020&tx_coprogramm_programm%5Bautor%5D=1409&tx_coprogramm_programm%5Bsession%5D=51&tx_coprogramm_programm%5Baction%5D=autor&tx_coprogramm_programm%5Bcontroller%5D=Source&cHash=9878be622a04defd2d0c9a970bdf60d4) |
| Proposed activities | **Participation in:**   * 7th Congress of the European Academy of Neurology * **60th International Spinal Cord Society Annual Scientific Meeting** * 51th Annual Conference of ASIA |
| Publications | None as Covid-19 has taken most of the time |

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