

Summary on WG Ongoing Projects and Call for Members

The Working Group on «*Hypertension and the Kidney*» consists of a group of scientists from 21 European and non-European countries interested in clinical and research aspects in the broad field of Hypertension and the Kidney, such as hypertension in patients with CKD (including dialysis and transplantation), renovascular hypertension (atherosclerotic disease and fibromuscular dysplasia), renoparenchymal hypertension, nephroprotective actions of antihypertensive agents, diabetic nephropathy and others.

As of June 2019, following elections within the group members, the new board of the Working Group is composed of the Chair Prof. Pantelis Sarafidis (Greece), the Secretary Prof. Jean-Michel Halimi (France), and the past Chair Prof. Alexandre Persu (Belgium).

In the past, under the leadership of Prof A. Persu, the Working Group organized many activities. Regular scientific meetings with sessions of various types and business meetings are organized every year during the ESH annual meetings. The WG has initiated research projects, leading to relevant publications, such as the European/International FMD registry, now having accumulated information for >1000 patients with FMD and the DIAL-BP survey, examining the adequacy of BP measurement across European dialysis centers. In addition, the WG has started a close collaboration with the European Renal and Cardiovascular Medicine (EURECA-m) WG of the ERA/EDTA and published consensus documents on the field of Fibromuscular Dysplasia, Hypertension in Dialysis and Hypertension on Renal Transplantation. Continuation of the above activities and introduction of others, including surveys, observational studies and consensus reports on issues relevant to Hypertension and the Kidney are under way.

New members of the WG are welcome. Requirements are ESH membership and prior research activities in the field of Hypertension and the Kidney. Applications should be addressed to Prof. Sarafidis at psarafidis11@yahoo.gr