

MINUTES OF THE FOUNDERS MEETING OF THE INS, APRIL 21<sup>st</sup> 1990 IN PARIS, FRANCE.

Present: Dr L. Illis	Southampton
Dr J.U. Krainick	Kiel
Dr N. Lambooy	The Hague
Dr M. Meglio	Rome
Dr J.C. Sier	The Hague
Dr G.H.J.J. Spincemaille	Heerlen
Dr D. Galley	Albi
Dr R. Rettori	Paris
Dr J. Gybels	Leuven
Dr M. Staal	Groningen
Dr F. Sellier	Berck sur Mer
Auditor: Tim Liddell	Medtronic, Paris

After the welcome and opening speech by Dr Lambooy, the acting secretary Dr Sier, reports that there are the names and addresses of 250 persons from about 25 countries who are practicing and interested in neurostimulation. Present at the meeting are representatives from France, Belgium, The Netherlands, Germany, England and Italy.

The agenda, previously circulated, is then followed.

I. The name of the Society:

There is some discussion as to naming the society. The first proposal of "INTERNATIONAL NEUROSTIMULATION SOCIETY" was later changed to: "INTERNATIONAL NEUROMODULATION SOCIETY".

The aim of the Society is to study the electrical and pharmacological applications of the nervous system and to study the effect of artificial interference of the nervous system.

II. The majority favoured personal membership but foundation of a National Society will be encouraged.

III. The finances of the Society would be arranged by a personal membership and a personal fee.

There is a suggested fee of \$ 25 a year. We estimate in the beginning on a membership of 200, which could be increased up to about 500 members world wide.

The Society has to raise its own finances and has to be financially independent.

IV. It was resolved to name the Society "INTERNATIONAL NEUROMODULATION SOCIETY".

V. The aim is to cooperate or associate with the INTERNATIONAL WORKGROUP OF NEUROCARDIOLOGY and eventually with the WORKGROUP OF NEURO-UROLOGY.

VI. The planned congress in Houston has to be cancelled due to lack of support by the Americans.

Dr Meglio will try to organise a congress in Rome in 1992.