



Minutes of the 2018 Annual General Meeting of the Flow Cytometry Section of the Royal Microscopical Society which was held on Thursday 19 July 2018, during the flowcytometryUK meeting in Edinburgh

Present: Mr Derek Davies (Chair), Dr Ian Titley (Deputy Chair), Dr Attila Bebe, Dr Mark Cheetham, Dr Sally-Ann Clark, Dr Irene Del Barrio, Dr Richard Ellis, Dr Helen Ferry, Dr Andrew Filby, Dr Richard Grenfell, Dr Gareth Howell, Dr Karen Hogg, Dr Peter O'Toole, Dr Rebecca Roberts, Dr Reiner Schulte, Dr Fredrik Wallberg, Dr Rachael Walker, Miss Karina Lang (RMS Staff), Miss Kate Jermey (RMS Staff).

1. Apologies for Absence

There were no apologies for absence.

2. Minutes of the 2017 Annual General Meeting

The Minutes were signed and approved as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

3. Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

4. Report from Section Chair

'Thank you all for coming to this AGM. It's actually only 8 months since our last one so maybe a little less to report this year, but nonetheless, the Section has again been active. This is my first AGM as Chair having taken over from Richard Grenfell in November and I would like to thank Richard for his leadership of the section over the past three years. That AGM was held during the one day flowcytometryUK meeting at Charles Darwin House, once again a well-attended meetings with an excellent programme of scientific talks as well as a small exhibition.

At that meeting we also welcomed New members to the Committee – Helen Ferry, Tony Carter, Karen Hogg, plus early career representative Irene Del Molino Del Barrio. I wish them a fruitful experience on the Committee.

Facilities meeting, organised by Fredrik Wallberg and Ian Titley held at the University of York was an excellent interactive meeting bringing together not just Facility heads but also staff. We intend to repeat this again in January next year. Details of this and all courses and meetings offered by the Society are to be found on the website. The RMS Facilities database has now been updated to include Cytometry facilities and, as of today, there are 16 listed. If you want yours to be there, visit the website, submission is easy.

The Section's annual flow cytometry course will be held in York in September; it's always an exciting and social course delivered by enthusiastic trainers. Please, as will all our meetings and courses, spread the word! We also hope to hold another in the series, Laboratory Diagnosis of Haematological Malignancies, aimed at our more clinical members. We are also planning a microbiological flow meeting in 2019 led by Rob Jepras at GSK and Steve Taylor at Porton Down.

Planning for the Microscience Microscopy Congress – mmc2019 is well underway, and the Section will be running a session entitled "Tissue Cytometry" which will highlight advances in imaging mass cytometry and imaging flow cytometry. It is important that the Cytometry Section is involved in mmc and fully supports the other Sections of the Society so please consider this meeting to present your work.

Don't forget that you can get involved. If you have any ideas for themed meetings or courses or can offer a venue, please do get in touch, we are always looking to increase what we can offer to the Society.

Finally thank again to the office, they do a marvellous job in managing to put into practice many of the ideas we have and we couldn't do this without other them so thank you Allison and the team.'

5. Election of Officers

There being no other nominations, the following Officers were duly elected:

Chair: Mr Derek Davies, The Francis Crick Institute

Deputy Chair: Dr Ian Titley, Institute of Cancer Research, London

6. Election of Ordinary Members (8)

There being no other nominations, the following Ordinary Members were duly elected:

Mr Anthony Carter, Royal Liverpool and Broadgreen University Hospital

Dr Helen Ferry, University of Oxford

Dr Andy Filby, Newcastle University Centre for Life

Dr Karen Hogg, University of York

Dr Robert Jepras, GSK

Mrs Niga Nawroly, ACEA Biosciences

Dr Rachael Walker, Babraham Institute, Cambridge

Dr Fredrik Wallberg

In addition to the nominated Committee Members, Mr Mark Cheetham, Dr Richard Grenfell, Dr Andrew Herman and Dr Gareth Howell have been co-opted onto the Committee. Dr Irene Del Molino Del Barrio has been co-opted as the Early Career Representatives.

7. Any Other Business

There was no other business.