

Minutes of the 2013 GRIBOI General Assembly

April 9, 2013. Boston, MA, USA.

Participants: -Note: Due to a logistic problem the participants' list was not signed by all the participants- Among the participants to the GA there were... Bruno Bujoli, Gamal Baroud, Christèle Combes, Jöns Hilborn, Jean-Michel Bouler, Jiang Chang, Marc Bohner, Marco Lopez-Heredia, Maria Pau Ginebra, Patrick Sharrock, Stephan Becker, Jean-Marc Ferrier, Ali Saad, Jan Boustra, Josh Hirsh, Pierre Weiss, Peter Jarzem, Peter Munk and Kieran Murphy.

1) The Agenda of the general assembly (GA) was as follows:

- Approval of the minutes of the 2012 GA
- Report of the president (Marc Bohner)
- GRIBOI account / Treasurer's report (Christèle Combes)
- GRIBOI 2014 / 2015 / 2016
- GRIBOI Board
- Scientific committee 2013-2014
- Sponsors
- Varia

2) The agenda was presented and validated by the participants. Then, the participants were informed that there was an attendance list to sign but not all of the ≈80 participants had time / opportunity to sign it.

3) The minutes from the last year's GA were presented to participants of the 2013 GA and they were asked to accept them. The 2012 minutes were unanimously approved.

4) The GRIBOI president presented his report for the 2012 – 2013 period. The items were:

- Preparing the GRIBOI 2013 meeting
- Getting the proceedings GRIBOI 2012 ready to be published on the European Cells & Materials journal. The proceedings appeared on the Volume No 23 -

Supplement 3 - June 2012 of the journal. The proceedings of the 2013 meeting will also appear on the European Cells & Materials journal.

- Working on a TERMIS 2012 GRIBOI Pre-meeting. The pre-meeting was cancelled at the last minute due to a too low number of registrations but the GRIBOI was present in a session chaired by S. Becker.
- GRIBOI was present for the first time in Africa during a Meeting taking place in Cairo entitled “1st Mediterranean Interdisciplinary Research Conference on Bone Augmentation Procedures and Injectable Therapeutics”.
- Keeping the website updated. The section “Links” was added to the site to promote future conferences and links of interest to the GRIBOI community.
- The participants were reminded of the GRIBOI LinkedIn group and were invited to join it.

5) The treasurer presented the account balance of the GRIBOI. The balance was as follows:

Balance 12/2011	154 euros
Balance 12/2012	2.213 euros
Balance 04/2013	4.610 euros

As mentioned last year, each GRIBOI congress participant pays a membership fee of 20 US\$ / 20 €. Donations from each meeting are optional. So, the balance is expected to increase after GRIBOI 2013.

Currently, this money is meant to be used to pay the webmaster (who has not yet sent an invoice for his work) and as backup for future GRIBOI meeting organizers since GRIBOI meeting organizers have to accept the financial risk.

This year, the GRIBOI board proposed to use some money to sponsor the visit of GRIBOI founding members to the next GRIBOI congress taking place in Nantes in 2014. This proposal was accepted. Even though it will “only” be the 24th meeting, the board would like to celebrate the 25th year of GRIBOI in France.

6) The next GRIBOI meeting was presented. It will take place in Nantes, France, from May 5 to May 7. The pros of having Nantes were presented, these included having a local strong interdisciplinary scientific and industrial expertise in the field of osteoarticular biomaterials, i.e. calcium phosphates and bone & cartilage tissue engineering, as well as in the area of chemistry and materials engineering for drug

device combined systems, preclinical facilities for animal models at ONIRIS -National Veterinary School and Numerous “medtech” companies dealing with scaffolds, cells & drugs, e.g. Atlantic Bone screen, Biomatlante, Medical Tissue and Graftys... and of course the charm of the city of Nantes

The Local organizing committee will be composed by Jean-Michel Bouler, Bruno Bujoli, Hervé Deramont, Olivier Gauthier and Pierre Weiss. Among the special guests there will be Dr Harry K. Genant, MD, Dr Fouad TARABAH, Pharm D, PhD and the GRIBOI founders such as, Hervé Deramont, Pierre Hardouin, Bernard Duquesnoy, Hervé Lecllet and the past presidents Jacques Lemaître and Patrick Sharrock.

The conference site will be “<http://griboi2014.univ-nantes.fr>”

7) The 25th anniversary of GRIBOI celebrations will start in Nantes with the GRIBOI 2014 meeting and will be closed in the Institute for the Advancement of Technology for Health (Techna), University Health Network Toronto, where the 2015 GRIBOI meeting will take place. The meeting will be organized by Kieran Murphy and Peter Munk. The meeting is intended to include new topics such as Cord injury, Cartilage, Disc, Soft tissues, Stem cells, Combined with biomaterials, Medical device innovation, Update in augmentation, Image guidance and robotics and Oncology related issues.

8) The 2016 meeting is intended to take place in Hong Kong / Shenzhen. This meeting should be organized by Prof. William Lu with the support of Prof. J. Chang (GRIBOI Vice president Asia). This proposal will have to be accepted in 2014 in Nantes.

9) The 2013-2014 GRIBOI organization, i.e. GRIBOI committee and scientific committee, was presented. No changes of the GRIBOI committee were made. The committee is:

President :	Marc Bohner
Vice-President (Europe) :	Jim Triffitt
Vice-President (Asia) :	Jiang Chang
Vice-President (America) :	Stephen Belkoff
Vice-President (Annual Meetings) :	Gamal Baroud

Secretary :	Marco Lopez-Heredia
Treasurer :	Christele Combes
Webmaster :	Patrick Sharrock

On the scientific committee, Gianluca Maestretti was removed due to his absence from the GRIBOI for three years or more (GRIBOI rule). Kieran Murphy, Bassem Georgy, Jean-Michel Bouler and Alex Kelekis were proposed as new scientific committee members. The proposal was accepted.

After voting the scientific committee consists now of Giancarlo Anselmetti, Stephan Becker, Etienne Bres, Hervé Deramond, Nicholas Dunne, Joshua Hirsch, Michael Liebschner, Fergus McKiernan, Malin Nilsson, Thomas Steffen, Tariq Sohail, Sean Tutton, Pierre Weiss, Ruth Wilcox, Kieran Murphy, Bassem Georgy, Jean-Michel Bouler and Alex Kelekis.

10) In the Varia the organizers of the GRIBOI 2013, i.e. Prof. Joshua Hirsh, Prof. Gamal Baroud (and Prof. Marc Bohner) were congratulated and thanked for their work. The sponsors of the meeting were also thanked for their invaluable support. The sponsors of the 2013 GRIBOI meeting were: Globus Medical, Integra Life Science Corporation, DePuy Synthes Spine, Vexim S.A., MEDMIX Systems A.G., Pioneer Surgical Technology, Inc., DFine, Inc., Carefusion, Neurotherm, Benvenue Medical, Baylis Medical, Stryker Interventional Spine, Graftys S.A., Micromedics, Inc., Biomat.net, Université de Sherbrook and RMS Foundation. Participants were invited to visit their exhibition booths.

11) The general assembly was closed... the participants went to have lunch.