

## **Report on the activities of the Collaboration Group for Reconstructive Surgery**

Since the last SCAUR meeting there has been a considerable activity in the group. The members have assembled four times (Norway, Denmark, Italy and Sweden) and a fifth meeting is due in conjunction with the SCAUR meeting in Tampere. A new chairman and a vice chairman have been elected. The members of the group have continuously discussed and planned various studies, according to below, and also planned a course on complications after urological surgery which will take place during the upcoming meeting in Tampere. There is also an ongoing process to establish a uretral stricture registry in the Nordic countries.

### **The randomized study on urethroplasties**

Lasse Grenabo will host a meeting Oct 6-7 during which planning and surgery will take place. The importance of performing the two procedures (end-to-end vs onlay) in a similar fashion has been stressed.

### **The publication of the studies on bladder substitutes and diversionary procedures on benign indications**

Manuscripts on these two studies are ready to be submitted this year.

### **Does mesh around conduit prevent parastomal hernia? Proposal for a randomized prospective study**

Participating centra: Malmö, Gothenburg, Aarhus, Copenhagen, Bergen and Helsinki. Thomas will start working with an application to the Ethics Committee and he will also contact representatives for the hospitals in question. The group has decided to associate Agneta Montgomery to the group for the purpose of carrying out this study.

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Chairman