Report from the Collaboration Group for Urothelial Cancer – 2023

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*Activity*

Since the conference in Helsinki in June 2022, the group has had one meeting in Copenhagen in September 2022. The group focus currently on initiating and conducting clinical trials.

At the moment, all cystectomy centres in the Nordic countries are encouraged to include patients in the NorCys trial which is a prospective validation study for clinical and para-clinical markers for peri-operative outcomes. Moreover, the group is conducting 2 RCTs on treatment in NMIBC – a DwellTime study in BCG and a surgical study on pathological consequences of En Bloc TURB.

Next study in the pipeline is within UTUC with a database study resembling the NorCys cystectomy study.

Furthermore, the group is involved with the Nordic medac Grant that annually awards resources to support Nordic studies within urothelial cancer. The last nomination went to Fredrik Liedberg from Malmö to support the ongoing Nordic multicenter study “Lymphadenectomy in upper tract urothelial carcinoma in the renal pelvis/calyces” (LURP Study). The medac Grant is currently open for applications at: <http://north-reg.nu/grants/>

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