

6-9 September 2017, SEC Glasgow

### Pre-congress briefing no. 1

#### Pre-conference briefings

Hopefully you're almost ready to come to Scotland for this special 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary ESPN. This is the first of 3 pre-conference briefings to give you some short-bites of practical information. Keep them safe as you'll want to look back at them, perhaps as you're in the departure lounge waiting for your flight.

Don't worry if you delete it by accident as all 3 briefings will be published on the conference website after they've been emailed out.

#### Travel information for arrival in Glasgow

To help you get from your point of arrival in Glasgow, be that one of the 3 local airports or Glasgow Station, to your hotel, we have prepared an information sheet for you to find the best transfer and take advantage of the discounts available. The travel information is attached with this briefing and will also be found on the conference website.

#### Travelling on Glasgow trains

Train is the best way to get from the city centre to the SEC. Delegates staying away from the SEC may want to buy the **ScotRail Conference Rover Ticket**. At £5, it gives unlimited train travel for 5 days within the conference zone below:



See [here](#) for other discounts and more information. To qualify for your ticket, please show evidence of your registration for the conference at any of the conference zone stations as shown in the figure above.

#### Industry focus

[Kyowa Kirin](#) will be a new pharmaceutical company to many ESPN delegates. Visit their exhibition hall stand and consider coming to their [symposium on X-linked hypophosphataemia](#) at 1700 on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> September. It takes place in Alsh and has refreshments after.

Orphan Europe Recordati Group are well-known to European paediatric nephrologists. They have come to ESPN 2017 to share new developments in ophthalmic management of cystinosis at their symposium: [Cystinosis: do we have the right vision for treatment?](#) It also takes place at 1700 on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> September in Boisdale with refreshments after. Visit Orphan Europe Recordati Group at their exhibition stand in Hall 2 for more information.

#### Finding your way around the SEC



ESPN will be taking place in the Loch Suite conference centre that is part of the SEC Centre shown on the map above.

The map shows the route of the pedestrian walkway from Exhibition Centre station to the SEC Centre building (follow train image top right to the walking man). The walkway brings you out adjacent to the correct entrance. If you enter at this door of the SEC Centre building, the Loch Suite is on the left, about a third of the way down the concourse.

A larger map is available on the [SEC website](#).

## Registration

Conference registration will be available from Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September. The registration desk will be in the foyer of the Loch Suite within the SEC (see above for instructions on how to find the Loch Suite).

Times of opening are as follows:

Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup>	17:00 – 19:00
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup>	08:00 – 18:30
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup>	07:00 – 19:00
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup>	06:45 – 19:00
Saturday 9 <sup>th</sup>	07:00 – 14:00

## ESPN working groups

The 7 ESPN working groups have all supported a session on the main scientific programme. These sessions are open to all registered delegates.

In addition to these sessions open to all, each working group has business meetings taking place during the conference. New members are always welcome to attend these meetings and they are a good way to get more involved with the work of the ESPN.

Business meetings will take place as follows:

Transplantation	Friday 1100-1200, Morar (during ERKNet)
CAKUT	Friday 0700-0830, Fyne
Immune-mediated	Thursday 0700-0830, Carron 1
Inherited disease	Thursday 0700-0830, Dochart 1
Nephrotic syndrome	Thursday 1300-1400, Dochart 1
CKD-MBD	Friday 1300-1400, Boisdale
Dialysis	Saturday 0700-0830, Dochart 2

If you plan to come to a business meeting, please let the relevant WG administrator know before:

Transplantation	<a href="mailto:Burkhard.Toenshoff@med.uni-heidelberg.de">Burkhard.Toenshoff@med.uni-heidelberg.de</a>
CAKUT	<a href="mailto:Ann.Raes@UGent.be">Ann.Raes@UGent.be</a>
Immune-mediated	<a href="mailto:rezantopaloglu@hacettepe.edu.tr">rezantopaloglu@hacettepe.edu.tr</a>
Inherited disease	<a href="mailto:francesco.emma@opbg.net">francesco.emma@opbg.net</a>
Nephrotic syndrome	<a href="mailto:marina.vivarelli@opbg.net">marina.vivarelli@opbg.net</a>
CKD-MBD	<a href="mailto:Haffner.Dieter@mh-hannover.de">Haffner.Dieter@mh-hannover.de</a>
Dialysis	<a href="mailto:aedefonti@hotmail.com">aedefonti@hotmail.com</a>

## Gala dinner

There are still tickets left but it's best to book early. Ask at the reception desk at the first opportunity. Dress code for the dinner will be smart.

Kilts are not required but please come wearing it if you have one!

## Now for something lighter ...

Ceilidh may be a word confusing many delegates. Hopefully it isn't putting you off coming to the Gala Dinner.

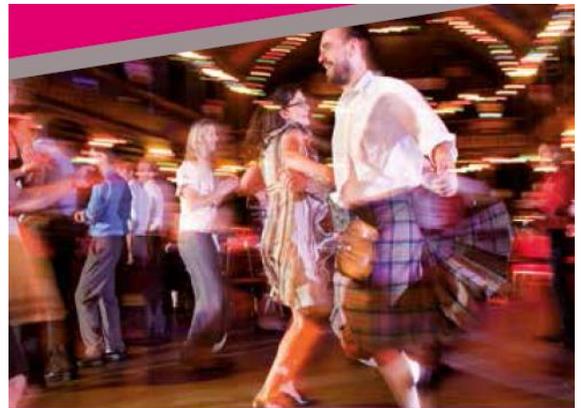
Pronunciation itself is off-putting but needed be! You say "kay-lee". As for what it is, Scottish country dancing doesn't do it justice by a long way; it's a Scottish institution. No wedding or big social gathering is complete without one.

Although something very Scottish, there are influences from all over Europe:

- Lots of polka-ing for our Polish friends
- Pas-de-bas (paddy bar) steps in the Dashing White Sargent must have come from France
- A name like [Highland] Scottische must have some Germanic influence
- If you're lucky, the band might just play a Swedish Masquerade for all the Scandinavians present

No prior skill is required as all the dances will be instructed and walked through first.

Ceilidhs are most fun when lots take part, so don't be afraid to take your partners and step out!



## In the next briefings:

- Find out about all the industry present
- Orientate your way around the posters
- Find out about the Fresenius and Chiesi Orphan symposia
- How to get by in Glaswegian!

Remember all of these conference briefings will be available on the [conference website](#).