Annual Report 2021 SPCRC

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This annual report is designed to give a brief overview of our association's activities and progress over the last year.

In addition to demonstrating what has been reached this last year, we would also like to lay out the necessary subsequent steps for reaching our association's goals.

2021 was again a year dominated by COVID-19, and unfortunately it still is. Every one of us has been affected by the corona virus, be it in the professional or the private life or both. A major restriction imposed by the virus is the dramatic reduction of face time meetings with personal exchange.

After we had to cancel our congress in 2020, we are pleased that we can hold it again this year. Even if online meetings are possible with today's technology, they do not replace face-to-face exchange and networking. The large number of participants clearly confirms this.

This year we have offered webinars for the first time. We have carried out this successfully twice so far. The board of SPCRC has decided to offer webinars on topics around clinical research twice a year in the future. These webinars are free of charge for our association members. Non-members have to pay for participation.

Starting next year, we will also offer an online GCP refresher course once a year. The first refresher course is planned for the summer. Here too, our association members will benefit from a reduced price.

This year, a 5-person group has worked out the competency descriptions for Study Coordinator. We have worked in several online but also face-to-face sessions with the aim of these competency descriptions being activated at the SCTO education platform. In September we were able to present the competence descriptions to the SCTO and basically received a positive response. Unfortunately, there are still a few hurdles to take, so that it will probably take another year until a placement on the education platform will be possible. We have come a little closer to our goal of obtaining a "Brachenausweis" for Study Coordinator. But here are still more steps to take ahead of us. We thought about how we can best tackle these hurdles and how we can get additional professional support for reaching our goal. In order to advance our project, the board of SPCRC suggests that the SPCRC join the H+ association. This association represents various professional branches and groups. A membership costs Fr. 1000 annually. This request will be made to the members at todays General assembly (GV)

We are happy go give you a brief overview of our activities in the past year of the association:

5 meetings competence descriptions

2 meetings in Bern (SCTO)

1 meeting in Bern (planning congress 2022)

2 board meeting in Olten

Our work remains exciting and we look forward to the challenges in the coming year.

All board members thank for your support and loyalty. Your support is crucial and gives us precious motivation in these challenging times!

For the SPCRC board

Esther Seeberger